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Greg Sheppard, City Councilor
Michele Tesdal, City Councilor
Todd Smith, City Councilor
Denny Nielsen, City Councilor
Dean O'Donnell, City Councilor
William McCall, Councilor

Michelle Connor, City Recorder

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- I. Call to Order – At 6:30pm by Mayor Page**
- II. Council Roll Call – Councilor's Smith, Tesdal, Nielsen, O'Donnell, McCall and Mayor Page all present. Councilor Sheppard absent with notice**
- III. Pledge of Allegiance**
- IV. Approval of the Agenda – Councilor Nielsen made a motion to approve the agenda and Councilor Nielsen seconded. Motion passes.**
- V. Special Orders of Business – N/A**
- VI. Committee Reports – N/A**

This time is set aside for committees established by law, ordinance or other authority to report to the City Council on the committee's ongoing work.

VII. Resolutions, Orders and Administrative Action

- a. Discussion for approval of closing Patton Street for 4th of July celebrations – Parkside from stop sign to stop sign was approved by Marion County Sherriff's Office. Councilor's Nielson made a motion and Smith seconded. All present in favor, with Councilor Sheppard absent with notice – motion passes.

VIII. Consent Calendar

- a. Approval of the Minutes of the Detroit City Council – May 12th, 2026, and May 21st, 2026. Councilor Smith made the motion to approve, and Councilor Nielsen seconded. All present in favor, with Councilor Sheppard absent with notice – motion passes.
- b. Approval to Pay the Bills Councilor Smith made the motion to approve, and Councilor O'Donnell seconded. All present in favor, with Councilor Sheppard absent with notice – motion passes.

IX. Unfinished Business

- a. CIS – Have been provided with all paperwork needed and waiting for them to decide on depreciation.
- b. City Hall Roof Damage – CIS wants an estimate for the roof repairs. The City has told CIS that Duncan Construction will be doing the repairs and Councilor McCall is waiting on the estimate and will provide it to the city when he receives it.
- c. Bill McCall – Property Division – Surveyors are coming out for a lot line adjustment. Michelle Connor will call Boatwright to go forward with the survey for \$5,000 per Councilor Nielsen. This property is to connect a pathway between the City Hall building and the City Park.
- d. Fee Schedule – Number from this summer will be used to generate a fee schedule in the fall. Councilor Smith stated that the city is not trying to make any profit on these fees but to cover labor and cover the cost for summer events.
- e. Camping on City ROW – City Clerk Heather Stull provided the Councilor's with information regarding the right of ways, an example ordinance from Harrisburg on how they are dealing with the camping issue and suggested that the City Attorney be brought into the conversation so that there are no issues on how the City proceeds with this matter. Sherrif Olson stated that it does not really matter what an ordinance says, the law supersedes the ordinance. He agreed that the best idea was to include the city attorney in this matter as there are stringent laws regarding this subject. He thought that the City of Sublimity had a park instead of a shelter for this situation. Councilor Smith suggested putting up signs to deter people from camping on the street. Councilor O'Donnell wanted to know if the signs would say no overnight parking or no camping. It was suggested to get metal signs and decide where to put them.

X. Staff Reports

- a. Marina Excavation – Charles Bury – N/A

- b. Ordinance & Community Engagement Officer – N/A Councilor Smith stated that Joe is being dialed in to Venmo for weekend sales. Councilor Tesdal asked if he was going to address other ordinance issues. IE Dogs on leashes. With the ordinance he can cite people for it.
- c. HBH Engineering - Matt Del Moro – N/A
- d. City Recorder – Michelle Connor – Read Cog report for Liam Bean regarding Land Use agreements.
- e. Planning – Mcrae Carmichael – N/A
- f. Marion County Sheriff – Garrett Olson – Overtime for Deputies is being covered ½ by the Sherriff's Dept. and the other ½ by the Forestry Dept. There had been a fire across the lake, but it was taken care of. He stresses to remember what the evacuation levels- 1. Be ready 2. Be more ready & 3. Go now.
- g. USFS – Michelle King
- h. Idanha-Detroit Rural Fire Protection District – Fred Patterson- N/A
- i. City Clerk – Heather Stull – N/A

XI. Councilor's Report –

Todd Smith- Ordinance officer to carry permits to make permits available for weekenders.

Councilor Tesdal – The playground equipment has been ordered. There has not been a playground construction meeting set at this time. The Pavillion bids are still being looked at. Working on some fine details regarding funding. The dumpster from the Forestry service is coming soon. Both dumpsters will be moved inside the fence. Paint the bathroom doors soon.

Denny Nielsen - NSSA Update - No report.

COMMUNITY CENTER SEPTIC EXPANSION- A preconstruction meeting was held two weeks ago with our engineer, Michelle Connor, and me. We had a productive discussion about the project scope and schedule. Our contractor, Jessie Rodrigues Construction, is prepared to begin site work within 10 days. To make room for excavation, the two 1,000-gallon propane tanks will likely need to be moved temporarily. Mayor Page has executed the project contract.

Business District Property Developments- K&E will begin site preparation soon, followed by construction of the pavilion. Paving of the parking area and sidewalks will follow. The contractor is awaiting a permit from Marion County before construction can begin. Project completion is expected in early July.

Community Center Event Kitchen- The initial bid process produced only one interested contractor, and the bid was extremely high due to several construction elements that were not clearly defined. In coordination with our architect and engineer, we identified the need for additional clarification regarding the sewer connection, slab saw cuts needed to accommodate drainage, grease interceptor requirements, propane service connection, mechanical scope, electrical service capacity, and owner-purchased appliances. It may also be beneficial to have a mechanical engineer evaluate the project to further refine the requirements for that discipline. Once the RFP is updated, we will seek USDA and DLF approval so the project can be rebid to a broader pool of contractors.

Lake Level Activities - Still no word on the final SEIS (supplemental environmental impact statement), though it is expected within the next 30 days.

Still waiting on movement on House and Senate WRDA bills (Water Resource Development Act).

Commissioner Cameron and our community lobbyist met with NMFS regional staff last week. They appreciated their willingness to meet and openness, with a couple interesting things to note:

1. They confirmed that the PNW NMFS office made the decision to require the drawdown in the 2024 Biological Opinion and it was not a mandate from DC.
2. They openly said that they are unsure about the effectiveness of these drawdowns and don't know whether or not it will work.
3. They said that the juvenile salmon they're hoping will pass downstream under the drawdown typically only swim ~25 feet below the surface. The outlets they're hoping they will reach under the drawdown will be about 50 feet below the surface.

Only time will tell, whether these opinions will affect positively, decisions related to the Detroit Lake extreme drawdown in the Fall of this year.

XII. Mayor's Report – The city received a permit application from Mark Foster of Marion County for an emergency siren by the Emergency management system. It will be on Lake & Scott on the lake side. It is not a tower; it is a telephone pole that will go by the streetlight on undeveloped property. Council vote on this issue. All present in favor, with Councilor Sheppard absent with notice. Passes.

XIII. Water report – Permanent equipment will be moved into the buildings at the water plant and should be in place and operating by fall. The engineering final geotechnical report for the new water tank is due in any day and once it has been established the final design engineering will be done and then out for bids. The sand filter operations will back up by the end of summer. The Idanha-Detroit intertie is being researched. The Detroit avenue dollars are still in effect, we are waiting for it to come in.

XIV. Public Comments- Ted Highberger – Wants to put RV's on commercially zoned

This is the time set aside for comments from the public on matters not on the agenda. Commenters are limited to three (3) minutes. Time may not be yielded. Questions from the Council or staff to commenters shall not be counted against the allotted three (3) minutes.

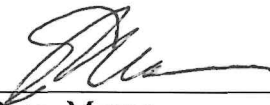
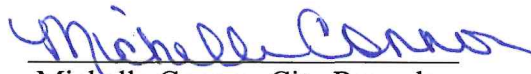
property. His options were told to him- get the property rezoned or put an RV park there.

XV. Other Business- There are 5 openings for City Council for the election in November and the packets are available at City Hall. There are 2 opening for the Planning Commission.

XVI. Upcoming Meetings

- a. Special Session Supplemental Budget Hearing - TBD
- b. Regular Session – July 14, 2026 – Detroit City Hall 6:30 PM.

XVII. Adjourn: Motion to adjourn at 7:38pm by Councilor Nielsen seconded by Councilor O'Donnell. All present in favor, with Councilor Sheppard absent with notice – meeting adjourned.


Eric Page, Mayor
Michelle Connor, City Recorder