

**Minutes**  
**Fraser City Council – Special Meeting**  
**Tuesday, February 9<sup>th</sup>, 2016 - 6:00pm**

A Regular Meeting of the Fraser City Council was conducted on the above date at the City Municipal Building, located at 33000 Garfield Road, Fraser, County of Macomb, Michigan.

Present: Mayor Nichols and Council Members Blanke, Carnagie, Foster, Hemelberg, Lesich and Schornak  
Absent: None  
Also Present: Richard Haberman, City Manager  
Kelly Dolland, City Clerk  
Jack Dolan, City Attorney

1. **Call Meeting to Order** - Mayor Nichols called the Special meeting to order at **6:17** p.m.

2. **Pledge of Allegiance**

3. **Approval of Agenda**

Mayor Nichols moved, seconded by Mayor Pro-tem Carnagie, TO APPROVE AGENDA AS PRESENTED.

The motion carried unanimously

4. **Citizen Participation on Agenda Item - None**

5. **Presentations –**

**a. Abraham & Gaffney Audit Presentation.**

Mary Jaganjac provided clarification regarding the Audit Presentation provide by Abraham & Gaffney. Aaron Stevens with Abraham & Gaffney provided a power point presentation of the City of Fraser audit report.

Member Blanke asked how the City of Fraser compares with other cities in the area. ~ Not prepared to answer that question. Mr. Stevens stated the city is lower than where you need to be in regard to the fund balance, water and sewer fund the city took a step in the right direction but most of your net position is invested in capital.

Member Schornak spoke of many areas of the audit; bonds, court revenues. She also asked for a more detailed water bill.

Member Lesich covered the water and sewer and general fund. Member Lesich also questioned the MERS pension plan.

Member Foster spoke of the downward trend since 2008.

Mayor Pro-tem Carnagie pointed out the Governmental Activities; Current assets/current liabilities slide presentation decrease form 2013, 2014 and 2015, the Senior Housing, the Affordable Care Act, - Mr. Haberman stated must report on every part-time, seasonal and summer-time help which is a huge time consuming report, he also stated the city is self-insured, pre-65 employee are under a high deductible plan, will see a small decrease in the premium. Also questioned court fees and fines, how can the city go forward in regard to revenues; Mr. Haberman stated will meet with Head Judge and discuss options.

Acting Mayor Hemelberg questioned the Recreation Boundless Park Grants and costs to the city.

Mayor Nichols, spoke of Plante Moran’s presentation, realizes the council must make tough decisions for the 2016-2017 budget, stated he will not vote for a ‘tax and spend budget’. Stated he will not vote for a budget that he people do not know if there is a need for an increase, they will know what we are cutting or what the need for the increase is.

6. **Citizen Participation**

7. **Adjournment**

Acting Mayor Hemelberg moved, seconded by Mayor Nichols, to ADJOURN THE REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING OF JANUARY 14<sup>th</sup> AT 12:19 A.M.

The motion unanimously,

Respectfully submitted,

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Kelly Dolland, City Clerk

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Joe Nichols, Mayor

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