

STANDISH CITY COUNCIL
REGULAR MEETING
May 12, 2025

1. **CALL MEETING TO ORDER**

Mayor King called the regular meeting of the Standish City Council to order at 6:00 p.m.

2. **PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE TO AMERICA**

Mayor King led the Pledge of Allegiance.

3. **ROLL CALL**

Present: King, Link, Fleszar, Lincoln, Spencer, Myers, Niernberg

Absent:

4. **APPROVAL OF AGENDA**

MOVED by Fleszar and supported by Myers to approve the agenda as presented.

The motion carried.

5. **PUBLIC COMMENT**

Whitney – 220 E Cedar

6. **APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

MOVED by Fleszar and supported by Niernberg to approve the minutes of April 14, 2025, Regular Meeting.

All approved, motion carried.

MOVED by Link and supported by Spencer to approve the minutes of April 14, 2025, Closed Session.

All approved, motion carried.

MOVED by Fleszar and supported by Spencer to approve the minutes of April 28, 2025, Special Meeting.

All approved, motion carried.

7. **APPROVAL OF THE BILLS**

MOVED by Fleszar and supported by Spencer to pay the invoices for the month of May.

Roll call vote:

YEAS: Link, Fleszar, Spencer, Lincoln, Myers, Niernberg, King

NAYS: None

ABSENT: None

The motion carried.

8. **CURRENT BUSINESS**

A. Spark Grant Update

- Delineation was completed on May 2nd
 - This report could take up to 89 days to receive back if everything goes smoothly
- grant money needs to be allocated by the end of 2025
- All funds must be spent by the end of 2026
- Parking area will have spots for 6-8 cars
- One mile loop
- A committee will be established once the project is ready to start
- Tribe would like signs posted talking about the native vegetation.

9. **NEW BUSINESS**

A. Tree Bids – Cemetery & Church St

- 3 trees need to be removed
 - 2 at the cemetery and 1 on Church st
- Uprooted Tree Service was the lowest bid
 - They are licensed and insured

MOVED by Myers and supported by Fleszar to accept Uprooted Tree Services bid to remove the trees from the cemetery and church St.

Roll call vote:

YEAS: Fleszar, Niernberg, Spencer, Myers, Lincoln, Link, King

NAYS: None

ABSENT: None

The motion carried.

B. Mosquito Spraying

- Received one bid from a company, the other company in the area is not currently offering this service any longer
- Cost approximately \$25,000 a year
- General fund can support this expense
 - The city can pay for this year and then place it on the tax bills in the future
- APM uses trucks to fog the areas to control the mosquito population
- It is too late to spray for the spring mosquito hatch; the first spray would be applied in June after the city completes the steps required to make residence aware of the service being provided.

MOVED by Myers and supported by Fleszar to provide the city Mosquito Control this year out of the general fund and revisit the topic for next year.

Roll call vote:

YEAS: Lincoln, Myers, Niernberg, Link, Fleszar, Spencer, King

NAYS: None

ABSENT: None

The motion carried.

C. Contract Negotiations – Closed Session

MOVED by Lincoln and supported by Spencer to go into close session at 6:45pm

All in favor, motion carried.

MOVED by Spencer and supported by Fleszar to leave close session at 7:25pm

All in favor, motion carried

10. CITY MANAGER REPORT

Mason reported the following:

- 307 N Main – Bad Soil was found during the clean of the property
 - Waiting on Egle to perform testing and let us know what steps need to be completed to resolve the soil contamination found
 - The Land Bank or a Browns Field grant might be a source of funding to help with the expense of the soil
- Water to SSC – Project will fully start once school is finished in June and should be completed prior to the start of school this fall.
- Sewer Improvement Grant – June the bidding process will start for this project
- Tribal 2% Grant – May 23 the city will know what the tribe has awarded the city
- Trash – A notice has been posted in the local paper requesting bids, along with emails sent out some of the local business requesting bids.
 - May 30, 2025, is the deadline for sealed bids to be submitted to the city.
- Horizon Senior Living Center – sold a year and a half ago and are having issues with getting licensed switched to their names
 - The city emailed them the resolution showing the city granting them a variance changing the zoning on the property.
- Flag Poles – the new flag poles at Perlberg park have been installed and flags have been ordered
 - VFW would like to have a ceremony for the first raising of the flags.

12. MAYOR & FIRE AUTHORITY REPORT

King reported the following:

- Fire Authority – Nothing to report
- Blight/Grass – City Clerk will be going around this coming week to inspect the city and send the required letters out to residence.

13. COUNCIL MEMBER COMMENTS

- Spencer – Blight – 123 S Court St, 114 S Church St

14. ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, Mayor King adjourned the regular City Council meeting at 7:26 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted:

Attest:

Champagne Southworth
City Clerk

Kevin King
Mayor