



Special/Study Session Meeting
6:00 p.m., Monday, October 21, 2019
Conference Room
23600 Liberty Street
Farmington, MI 48335

FINAL

SPECIAL MEETING MINUTES

A special meeting of the Farmington City Council was held on October 21, 2019, in Farmington City Hall, Farmington, MI. Notice of the meeting was posted in compliance with Public Act 267-1976.

The meeting was called to order at 6:00 p.m. by Mayor Steve Schneemann.

1. ROLL CALL

Attendee Name	Title	Status	Arrived
Sara Bowman	Mayor Pro Tem	Present	
William Galvin	Councilmember	Present	
Joe LaRussa	Councilmember	Absent	
Steve Schneemann	Mayor	Present	
Maria Taylor	Councilmember	Present	

City Administration Present

Director Demers
Superintendent Eudy
City Clerk Mullison
City Attorney Schultz (arrived at 6:06 pm)

2. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Move to approve the agenda as presented.

RESULT:	APPROVED AS PRESENTED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER:	Bowman, Mayor Pro Tem
SECONDER:	Taylor, Councilmember

3. PUBLIC COMMENT

Bob Cook, 33115 Shiawassee Street, showed a video of concerns he has about the Shiawassee Street road elevation runoff where it meets his driveway.

4. BOARD AND COMMISSION REAPPOINTMENT: LIBRARY BOARD

Joy Montgomery was appointed to the Library Board in June 2018 and currently serves as the Vice Chair. Council asked Montgomery about newly formed committees, the highlights of her present tenure on the board, and what she would like the citizens of Farmington to know about the Library. She was queried about the morale of the staff and Montgomery reported on staff concerns and strengths and the next steps needed to improve and build on the strengths of the Library.

She spoke about the Library Board possibly utilizing Farmington and Farmington Hills Council Chambers for meetings to allow for televising meetings, reported progress on the search for a new Library Director, and a building health assessment being addressed with funds allocated. Council thanked Montgomery for her service and commended her for all the work she has done.

Move to reappoint Joy Montgomery to the Farmington Community Library Board of Directors for another 4-year term ending 6/30/2023.

RESULT:	APPROVED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER:	Bowman, Mayor Pro Tem
SECONDER:	Taylor, Councilmember

5. FARMINGTON PUBLIC SERVICES QUARTERLY REPORT

Superintendent Eudy explained the purpose of the report and pointed out highlights, including hourly rate usage, expenses for labor, and projects being worked on. He asked what other information Council might want to have included in a regular quarterly report. In answer to a question from Bowman, Eudy said he had not found any surprises by putting the report together. Galvin asked Eudy what he thought Council would be looking for, and Eudy suggested a report on leave time and staffing availability. Eudy indicated that he wanted to be able to give Council an idea of where the work was focused for each quarter. Galvin suggested a report on Parks department use, including the ice rink and Schneemann asked about whether the leaf pickup hours would be much higher. Eudy answered questions about extra laborers and overtime and staffing problems and personnel issues from leaf pick up last year.

Discussion ensued about scheduling overlap between leaf pick up, ice rink set up, Holly Days, and winter jobs. Schneemann suggested Eudy use these figures to identify trends for future budgeting.

6. OTHER BUSINESS

No other business was heard.

7. COUNCIL COMMENT

Bowman addressed Bob Cook's public comment about his challenges with his driveway. She acknowledged that he has real concerns, but took issue with his comment that the administration had not been responsive, as she has seen responses that have been provided over the years. She would like to continue the dialog with him to determine fault, liability, or responsibility.

8. ADJOURNMENT

Move to adjourn the meeting.

RESULT:	APPROVED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER:	Bowman, Mayor Pro Tem
SECONDER:	Taylor, Councilmember

The meeting adjourned at 6:31 pm.

Steve Schneemann, Mayor

Mary Mullison, City Clerk

Approval Date: November 18, 2019