

**CITIZENS ADVISORY COMMITTEE
CITY OF NEW BALTIMORE**

REGULAR MEETING THURSDAY JANUARY 22, 2009

Call to order: 7:02

Called to order by Chairperson Laurie Huff

Members Present; Ron Earle, Nancy Bowron, Laurie Huff, Cathie Dupray, and John Semaan

Excused; Max Plante, Leigh Johnson and Kim McDaniel

Guests; Mayor Tom Goldenbogen and Marc Levis

REVIEW OF MINUTES; Motion by John, second by Ron, to approve the minutes with the following

Correction, Item #3, the building will be built near the repaired sinkhole.

All voting yes Opposing none Motion carried

ITEM #1 SIDEWALKS, DRAINS AND FIRE HYDRANTS COVERED IN SNOW

Some businesses including McDonalds have not kept up with snow removal.

This poses a hazard for

Citizens. The DPS wants help from outside contractors, as they cannot keep up with the removal.

ITEM #2 FEEDBACK ON CONSULTANTS REPORT

Laurie did receive the report and a CD. The CD is 90 minutes long. We will pass this information around to

Our members.

ITEM #3 ICE RINK AT W&M PARK

As soon as the snow is under control, the rink will be built at the park in front of the pavilion.

ITEM # 4 POLICY ON NEON WINDOW TRIM

The gas station across from St. Johns Church neon sign is in question. The signs like this are not permitted

As they are a safety hazard.

ITEM #5 DRAFT SLATE FOR NEW OFFICERS

As of now they remain the same. An official vote will take place January 22, 2009.

ITEM #6 BERNIE THOMTISHEN

We had a minute of silence to reflect on Bernie Thomtishen who passed away.

ITEM #7 SNOW HILL

Kudos to the Rec department. The snow hill is a great success.

ITEM#8 BURGER KING

The council tabled the decision for now. A new 10-foot sidewalk is planned for safety reasons. This was a Recommendation from MDOT. The new construction site is safer for traffic flow. Also 90% of the odor will be omitted with the new building converters. A wall will be erected to avoid neighboring homes from viewing the drive-in. Those living closest to the site have circulated and petition and have turned it in to the city.

ITEM #9 GARBAGE

Discussion on why the garbage truck men also throw the recyclables in with the regular garbage.

ITEM #10 RENTAL AGREEMENTS

At this time the Residential Inspections Guidelines for Single and Multiple Dwellings is not on our web page. Mayor Tom Goldenbogen said it would appear soon.

ITEM#11 COMCAST RECORD LINK

City Council does not want to broadcast their meeting at this time. The city does not have cable facilities.

Motion by John second by Ron To investigate the process and cost to have Administrative, council meetings, and special events. broadcasted.

All voting yes Apposing none Motion carried.

MAYORS UPDATE

The mayor exchange will be with Utica; May 13th New Baltimore visits Utica.

The date for the return visit has not been decided yet.

Traffic study from the New Baltimore Police Dept, on ST Clair and County Line recommends no light. The State Police recommend the speed limit be 55, In New Baltimore 35.

On the Harbor investigate, Grand Haven, Traverse City. Check out new harbors is you can.

No change on the arbitration decision for the sinkhole.

The city has a list they have been thinking about for improvements to our infrastructure. We can have it ready for the Obama Recovery Plan.

A meeting for neighborhood watch went well.

MEMO that the CAC think about hosting the Chili cookout at the next Winterfest.

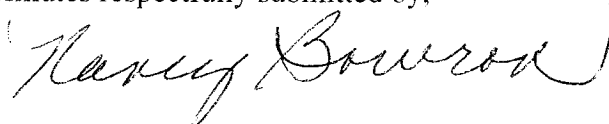
Once again the CAC would like to thank Mayor Tom Goldenbogen and Marc Levisé for attending our meeting.

The next meeting will be February 26, 2009

MOTION by Nancy second by Cathie to adjourn the meeting at 8:37.

All voting yes apposing none motion carried

Minutes respectfully submitted by,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Nancy Bowron". The signature is written in black ink and is positioned above the printed name.

Nancy Bowron, Secretary