

City of Allegan
City Council Study Session Minutes

Monday, March 22, 2021 at 6:00 P.M
City Council Chambers, 231 Trowbridge Street
Allegan, MI 49010

I. Call to order

Mayor Andrus called the meeting to order at 6:00 P.M.

II. Public Comments

Let the record show no public comment was offered.

III. Discussion regarding Redistricting in Michigan

City Clerk & Assistant to the City Manager, Christopher Tapper provided a brief presentation to the Council regarding the Redistricting schedule in Michigan. Every 10 years following the U. S Census, district lines for political offices must be redrawn. The Michigan Independent Citizen Redistricting Commission next is meeting Thursday, March 25, 2021. Meetings were being held via the State of Michigan YouTube Channel. Tapper noted staff had reached out to the Commission for addition information and has yet to receive further information.

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IV. Discussion regarding Reservation of Public Spaces

Downtown & Promotion Manager, Parker Johnson along with City Manager Joel Dye, provided a presentation to the Council regarding the Reservation of Public Spaces in the City of Allegan. Currently the City rents all properties including Hanson, Jaycee, Mahan, and Riverfront parks, the Sprots Complex, the Griswold Auditorium and the Regent Theatre. All facilities are available to non-profit entities at 50% of the total cost.

A general discussion ensued regarding the Reservation of Public Spaces. Most of the discussion included the use of the Riverfront and the Riverfront Stage. Council was not in agreement on how to proceed. Dye noted he would review with City Attorney and bring back to the Council of the findings. Council thanked Johnson and Dye for the presentation.

V. Discussion regarding Revenue and Expense Report

Dye provide a brief update on the reports submitted by staff for review. It was the Council recommendation to proceed with reviewing reports monthly moving forward. Council thanked staff for the reports.

VI. Review of Council – Agenda

Mayor Andrus reviewed the Council meeting agenda for March 22, 2021.

VII. Adjournment

Mayor Andrus adjourned the meeting at 6:55 P.M.

Minutes submitted by: Christopher Tapper, MMC & MACEO
City Clerk & Assistant to the City Manager, City of Allegan