

## COUNCIL PROCEEDINGS

### CITY OF FLAT ROCK, MICHIGAN

MONDAY, JANUARY 3, 2006

The regular meeting of the Flat Rock City Council convened at the Municipal Building on the above date at 7:30 p.m.

#### 1. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

2. PRESENT ON ROLL CALL: Mayor Jones, Council Members Gagne, Dropiewski, Painter, Martin, Tefend, and Wrobel.

ABSENT: None.

ALSO PRESENT: DPS Director Bruce Hammond, Recreation Director Joan Pawlukewicz, Building & Safety Director John Russ, Fire Chief Bill Vack, City Attorney Dave Grunow, and City Clerk Dennis Mowbray.

#### 3. APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

01-03-06-1 Motion by Gagne supported by Tefend to approve the Regular Council Meeting Minutes of 12/19/05 as presented. Motion carried unanimously.

#### 4. SPECIAL PRESENTATION:

Representatives from the Beautification Commission Sue Farrar, and Sue Martin, presented the Christmas Home Decorating winners with their awards. Molly Lumphert Coy of DTE, assisted by presenting the winners with DTE rebates for their electric bills.

Mayor presented to former Council Member Karoly a plaque honoring his years of service with the City.

#### 5. CITIZENS TO BE HEARD:

Mr. Tim Sheffler of Magnolia Street voiced his opinion of the Council's action to rename Maguire Street to Rosa Park Way.

Mr. Terry Farrar of Applegrove Way also voiced his opinion about the street renaming and felt it should have been handled differently.

Marylyn Wessler stated she felt the name change was self-serving on the Mayor's behalf to name the street Maguire.

Mrs. Sue Farrar of Applegrove Way expressed her feeling about the road renaming some 2 ½ years after it was named, and also that the Council waited till the Mayor was out of town to do so.

Mr. Rodney Hopper of Arsenal spoke on the name change of Maguire Street, and feels that a lot of other important people from within the city should have had the road named after them.

**6. REPORTS FROM DEPARTMENT HEADS:**

City Attorney asked that two Council Members be appointed to handle a grievance from the DPS Department. Council agreed that the same people who are handling the DPS contract negotiations handle the grievance.

**7. REPORTS FROM COUNCIL MEMBERS:**

Council Member Dropiewski announced the State Representative Kathleen Law is holding an Alternative Fuel meeting in Waltz, and urged anyone who is upset with the high cost of their utility bills should attend. He also commented that the Mayor at the swearing in ceremony present a list of goals he would like to see accomplished in the next two years. He hopes that Mayor and Council work towards accomplishing these goals.

Council Member Painter questioned the Attorney confidentiality pertaining to information with regard to Council members.

Council Member Wrobel gave a report of how he felt about the changing of the name of Maguire Street.

Council Member Gagne gave his opinion on the renaming of Maguire Street also. He also voiced his opinion with regard to Council members running for office in the middle of their present terms of office.

Council Member Martin wished everyone a Happy New Year, and thanked all the voters for their support.

**8. MAYOR'S COMMENTS:**

Mayor Jones announced that the audit report should be available at the next Council Meeting; he also stated he has seen the draft of the report, and it looks like the City has a surplus of a quarter million dollars. He then presented his goals the he would like to see accomplished by himself and Council over the next two years.

01-03-06-2 Motion by Jones supported by Gagne to leave the name on Maguire Street as is. By a vote of 3-Yes and 4-No(Wrobel, Painter, Dropiewski, and Tefend) the motion failed 3-4.

01-03-06-3 Motion by Tefend supported by Painter to suspend the renaming of Maguire Street until a committee can be formed to look into the change. By a vote of 4-Yes and 3-No(Jones, Gagne, and Martin) Motion passed 4-3.

**9. BID OPENING REPORTS:**

None.

**10. UNFINISHED BUSINESS:**

a. Letter from Comcast dated 12/19/05 re: Franchise Agreement Amendment.

~~01-03-06-5-~~ Motion by Dropiewski supported by Painter to have the City Attorney contact Comcast for a report regarding the usage of the Flat Rock Office. Motion carried unanimously.

b. Letter from Mayor Jones dated 1/2/06 re: List of Mayoral Appointments.

~~01-03-06-6-~~ Motion by Martin Gagne to approve the list of Mayoral appointments as presented. By a vote of 2-Yes and 4-No(Wrobel, Painter, Tefend, and Dropiewski). Motion failed 4-2.

~~01-03-06-7-~~ Motion by Wrobel supported by Gagne to appoint John Russ as Building and Safety Director. Motion carried unanimously 6-0.

~~01-03-06-8-~~ Motion by Tefend supported by Wrobel to table appoint Bill Vack as the City Fire Chief and Civil Defense Director. By a vote of 4-Yes and 2-No(Gagne, and Martin) Motion passed 4-2.

~~01-03-06-9-~~ Motion by Painter supported by Wrobel to appoint Mark Hammond as the Assistant Fire Chief. Motion carried unanimously 6-0.

~~01-03-06-10-~~ Motion by Martin supported by Gagne to appoint Bruce Hammond as the DPS Director. Motion carried unanimously 6-0.

~~01-03-06-11-~~ Motion by Martin supported by Gagne to appoint Bruce Hammond as the Street Administrator. Motion carried unanimously 6-0.

~~01-03-06-12-~~ Motion by Dropiewski supported by Painter to appoint Steve Tallman as the Police Chief. Motion carried unanimously 6-0.

~~01-03-06-13-~~ Motion by Dropiewski supported by Wrobel to appoint Dennis Mowbray as City Clerk and City Purchase Agent. Motion carried unanimously 6-0.

~~01-03-06-14-~~ Motion by Martin supported by Gagne to appoint Brenda Tallman as the City Treasurer and City Fiscal Officer. By a vote of 2-Yes 4-No(Wrobel, Painter, Tefend and Dropiewski). Motion failed 2-4.

~~01-03-06-15-~~ Motion by Wrobel supported by Dropiewski to table City Treasurer and Fiscal Officer appointment. By a vote of 3-Yes and 3-No(Martin, Gagne, and Tefend) Motion failed 3-3.

~~01-03-06-16-~~ Motion by Gagne supported by Martin to appoint Tim O'Donnell as the City Assessor Motion carried unanimously 6-0.

~~01-03-06-17-~~ Motion by Gagne supported by Martin to appoint David Grunow as the City Attorney and Labor Negotiator. Motion carried unanimously 6-0.

~~01-03-06-18-~~ Motion by Painter supported by Dropiewski to appoint Joan Pawlukewicz as the City Recreation Director. Motion carried unanimously 6-0.

~~01-03-06-19-~~ Motion by Painter supported by Martin to appoint Joan Pawlukewicz as the City Senior Citizen Advisor. Motion carried unanimously 7-0.

~~01-03-06-20-~~ Motion by Gagne supported by Martin to appoint Richard Jones as the South Huron Valley Utility Authority representative. Motion carried unanimously 6-0.

~~01-03-06-21-~~ Motion by Gagne supported by Martin to appoint Bruce Hammond as the alternate representative to the South Huron River Valley Utility Authority. Motion carried unanimously 7-0.

~~01-03-06-22-~~ Motion by Gagne supported by Martin to appoint Steve Tallman as the Mutual Aid/DRANO representative. Motion carried unanimously 7-0.

01-03-06-23- Motion by Gagne supported by Martin to appoint Bill Vack as the Mutual Aid/DRANO alternate representative. Motion carried unanimously 7-0.

01-03-06-24- Motion by Wrobel supported by Martin to appoint Council Member Dropiewski as the Downriver Community Conference representative.

01-03-06-25- Motion by Wrobel supported by Martin to appoint Council Member Gagne as the Downriver Community Conference alternate representative. Motion carried unanimously 7-0.

01-03-06-26- Motion by Martin supported by Painter to appoint Council Member Gagne as the 33<sup>rd</sup> District Court Representative. Motion carried unanimously 7-0.

01-03-06-27- Motion by Martin supported by Painter to appoint Paul Gagne as the CDBG Representative. Motion carried unanimously 7-0.

01-03-06-28- Motion by Martin supported by Painter to appoint Jonathan Dropiewski as the CDBG Alternate.

01-03-06-29- Motion by Painter supported by Martin to appoint Council Member Tefend as the Huron River Watershed representative. Motion carried unanimously 7-0.

01-03-06-30- Motion by Martin supported by Gagne to appoint Charles E. Raines & Co. as the City Engineers. Motion carried 6-0.

01-03-06-31- Motion by Martin supported by Gagne to appoint McKenna & Associates as the City Planners. Motion carried 4-2.

01-03-06-32- Motion by Gagne supported by Tefend to appoint Herber, Williams, & Jocks as the City Auditors. Motion carried unanimously 6-0.

01-03-06-33- Motion by Gagne supported by Martin to appoint the Heritage Newspaper as the City Newspaper of Record. Motion carried unanimously 6-0.

01-03-06-34- Motion by Dropiewski supported by Tefend to appoint Dr. David Patterson as the City Health Officer. Motion carried unanimously 6-0.

c. Letter from Mayor Jones dated 12/28/05 re: Recommendation of Appointment to DDA.

01-03-06-35- Motion by Gagne supported by Tefend to approve the Mayor's recommendation to appoint David Karoly to the DDA. Motion carried unanimously.

d. Letter from Detroit Edison dated 12/22/05 re: Street Lighting Agreement for Bradbury Park Subdivision.

01-03-06-36- Motion by Jones supported by Dropiewski to approve the DTE Streetlighting agreement for Bradbury Park as presented and when the funds are provided by the developer. Motion carried unanimously.

## **12. CORRESPONDENCE:**

a. None.

**13. ADJOURNMENT:**

01-03-06-37- Motion by Painter supported by Tefend to adjourn meeting at 8:45 PM. By a vote of 6-Yes and 1-No(Gagne) Motion carried 6-1.

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**RICHARD C JONES, MAYOR**

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**DENNIS R. MOWBRAY, CMC CITY CLERK**

**Date:** \_\_\_\_\_  
**Approved**

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