

REGULAR COUNCIL PROCEEDINGS

CITY OF FLAT ROCK, MICHIGAN

MONDAY, JANUARY 03, 2011

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 Dropiewski, Council Members Gagne, Wrobel, Martin, Painter, and Moore.

ABSENT: Council Member Tefend

01-03-01 Motion by Painter supported by Wrobel to excuse absent member.

All present voting yes. Motion carried unanimously.

ALSO PRESENT: DPS Director Hammond, Treasurer Lambrix, Recreation Director Pawlukiewicz, Economic Director Mans, City Attorney Grunow, Fire Chief Vack, Police Chief Rossow and Clerk Butski.

3. **APPROVAL OF MINUTES:**

01-03-02 Motion by Gagne supported by Wrobel to approve the regular minutes of December 20, 2010 as presented.

All present voting yes. Motion carried unanimously.

4. **CITIZENS TO BE HEARD:** None

5. **REPORTS FROM DEPARTMENT HEADS:**

George Mans, Economic Development Director, gave an update on the Greenway Grant of \$789,000. He stated there will be a major announcement at the Community Center February 1st or 2nd as soon as Mr. Dingell confirms the date. He said about 10 years ago the Community Foundation of Southeast Michigan, based out of Detroit, put a lot of money forward looking for greenway and connector trails. This 24 mile trail from Metro Park up to Belleville Lake will be the first connector trail to be completed. Mr. Mans said he will keep council updated.

Bruce Hammond, DPS Director, reported on the water main break that happened Monday morning on Gibraltar Road at Sheeks Blvd. closing Bobcean Elementary School for the day and leaving city hall without water until early afternoon. Mr. Hammond stated the water lines in that area were installed in 1925.

6. REPORTS FROM COUNCIL MEMBERS:

Council Members wished everyone a Happy New Year.

Council Member Martin voiced his sympathy to the family and friends of Kate Ebli, former state representative who, when she worked for Comcast, helped negotiate with the City of Flat Rock.

7. MAYOR'S COMMENTS:

Mayor Dropiewski stated he will have a State of the City address at the January 18th Council meeting.

8. UNFINISHED BUSINESS: None

9. NEW BUSINESS:

Item A – Recommendation for appointment to fill vacancy on the Historical Commission.

Mayor asked this item be added to the agenda. Council concurred.

01-03-03 Motion by Gagne supported by Martin to concur with the Mayor's recommendation to appoint Donna Niece to fill the unexpired term of the late Barbara Fedon with term to expire February 7, 2012.

All present voting yes. Motion carried unanimously.

10. CORRESPONDENCE: None

01-03-04 Motion by Dropiewski supported by Martin to go into Closed Session to discuss (1) pending litigation before the Michigan Tax Tribunal with AutoAlliance for 2009-10 and (2) a new lawsuit filed against the City of Flat Rock and the South Huron Valley Authority by the cities of Gibraltar, Woodhaven and Township of Brownstown re: the Trenton Arm.

Roll Call Vote: Mayor Dropiewski, Council Members Gagne, Martin, Moore, Painter and Wrobel voting yes. No one opposed. Motion carried unanimously.

Mayor called a 5 minute recess at 7:42 pm.

01-03-05 Motion by Painter supported by Wrobel to return to open session at 8:20 pm.

All present voting yes. Motion carried unanimously.

11. ADJOURNMENT:

01-03-06 Motion by Painter supported by Wrobel to adjourn the regular meeting at 8:20 pm.

All present voting yes. Motion carried unanimously.

JONATHAN D. DROPIEWSKI, MAYOR

LORENE BUTSKI, CMC, CITY CLERK

DATE: _____
approved