

**REGULAR COUNCIL PROCEEDINGS**

**CITY OF FLAT ROCK, MICHIGAN**

**MONDAY, MARCH 07, 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, and Moore.

**ABSENT:** Council Members Tefend and Painter.  
(Note: Painter arrived at 8:04 pm)

**03-07-01** Motion by Wrobel supported by Martin to excuse the absent members.

All present voting yes. Motion carried unanimously.

**ALSO PRESENT:** DPS Director Hammond, Treasurer Lambrix, Building Director Russ, Economic Director Mans, City Attorney Grunow, Police Chief Rossow and Clerk Butski.

**3. APPROVAL OF MINUTES:**

**03-07-02** Motion by Gagne supported by Martin to approve the regular minutes of February 22, 2011 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, stated there is a grant available for Farmers Markets. Under the Michigan CDBG Program, all Farm to Food projects must meet national objective. Awarded funds must be used for construction, expansion, acquisition or improvements of new or existing farmers markets. Mr. Mans said he is working with the City Planner to apply for the grant.

Gary Borden, Riverfest Chairman, announced the Riverfest is September 17<sup>th</sup> and asked the community to get involved. He said applications for food vendors, craft vendors and exhibitors are on the City web site and the DDA web site.

**6. REPORTS FROM COUNCIL MEMBERS:**

Councilman Wrobel mentioned the 33<sup>rd</sup> District Court cost which has excelerated and the case load has gone down.

**7. MAYOR'S COMMENTS:**

Mayor Dropiewski said brochures are available at City Hall regarding transportation by the DCC (Downriver Community Conference) for disabled and low income.

He said preliminary figures for the budget is not looking good. He said he has been meeting with other Mayors and discussing increased efficiency by sharing, merging, etc.

**8. UNFINISHED BUSINESS: None**

**9. NEW BUSINESS:**

Item A – Board of Review dates and times.

The dates & times are on cable as follows:

Tuesday, March 15	9:00 am to 12:00 noon
	1:00 pm to 4:00 pm
	6:00 pm to 8:00 pm
Thursday, March 17	6:00 pm to 8:00 pm
Thursday, March 24	6:00 pm to 8:00 pm
Tuesday, March 29	9:00 am to 12:00 noon
	1:00 pm to 4:00 pm
	6:00 pm to 8:00 pm

Item B – 2011 Insurance Premium from the Stevenson Company.

Discussion. The premium is down 15% from last year.

**03-07-03** Motion by Gagne supported by Martin to pay the Stevenson Company in the amount of \$116,434.00 for Liability Insurance premium.

All present voting yes. Motion carried unanimously.

Item C – Professional Services Contract re: Historical Preservation Commission.

City Attorney stated he has seen the contract and recommends approval.

**03-07-04** Motion by Gagne supported by Martin to approve the contract as presented.

All present voting yes. Motion carried unanimously.

Item D – Request to advertise for bids: Repair to Gibraltar & Olmstead lift stations.

**03-07-05** Motion by Gagne supported by Martin to approve advertising for bids to be due April 7, 2011 at 3:00 pm.

All present voting yes. Motion carried unanimously.

Item E & F – Request to purchase and install discharge pipe at Huroc Park pump station.

**03-07-06** Motion by Martin supported by Gagne and Wrobel to purchase and install discharge pipe for the Huroc Park pump station in the amount of \$3,000.00.

All present voting yes. Motion carried unanimously.

**10. CORRESPONDENCE:**

Item A – Letter from local businessman thanking the Building Director re: Rental Inspections.

**03-07-07** Motion by Gagne supported by Martin to go into Closed Session at 7:48 pm to discuss Fire Fighters Negotiations.

All present voting yes. Motion carried unanimously.

Councilman Painter arrived at 8:04 pm

**03-07-08** Motion by Martin supported by Gagne to return to Open Session at 8:05 pm.

All present voting yes. Motion carried unanimously.

**11. ADJOURNMENT:**

**03-07-09** Motion by Painter supported by Dropiewski to adjourn the regular meeting at 8:05 pm.

All present voting yes. Motion carried unanimously.

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**JONATHAN D. DROPIEWSKI, MAYOR**

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**LORENE BUTSKI, CMC, CITY CLERK**

**DATE:** \_\_\_\_\_  
**approved**