

SPECIAL COUNCIL PROCEEDINGS

CITY OF FLAT ROCK, MICHIGAN

TUESDAY, MAY 29, 2007

The special meeting of the Flat Rock City Council convened at the Municipal Building on the above date at 7:00 p.m.

1. **PRESENT ON ROLL CALL:** Mayor Jones, Council Members Martin, Dropiewski, Wrobel and Painter arrived at 7:08 p.m.

5-29-07-1 Motion by Dropiewski supported by Martin to excuse the absent members Tefend and Painter.

All present voting yes. Motion carried unanimously.

Mayor Jones stated if no one objected he would like to take Items B and C first and Item A last.

Item B – Authorization of lawsuit re: SHVA “look-back” adjustment beginning 5/1/02 thru 12/31/04.

Mayor Jones stated if the SHVA won’t do anything about the amount Flat Rock has overpaid, he would like authorization to initiate a lawsuit. Discussion of the issue ensued.

05-29-07-2 Motion by Gagne supported by Dropiewski to authorize the City Attorney to initiate a lawsuit against SHVA for a “look-back” adjustment beginning 5/1/02 thru 12/31/04.

All present voting yes. Motion carried unanimously.

Item C – Motion to not pay SHVA for legal fees involving conflict of interest.

Mayor Jones stated it was a conflict of interest for Richard Hinshon of Hinshon Environmental Consulting, Technical Consultants for the SHVA, to speak on behalf of Van Buren Township regarding an issue that appears to be at odds with the SHVA bylaws. The Mayor is also concerned over potential conflict of interest on the part of Mr. Patrick McCauley who is the SHVA Attorney. Mr. McCauley is also the full time attorney for Van Buren Township. Mayor stated he would like to see both of them resign.

05-29-07-3 Motion by Martin supported by Gagne that Council strongly objects to the Technical Consultants and Attorney representing SHVA in their dealings with the

SHVA and member communities and want them changed. If they are not changed Flat Rock will not pay the bills.

All present voting yes. Motion carried unanimously.

Item A – Budget workshop.

Mayor Jones discussed the deficit in the General Fund of \$781,000 (not including the Recreation Center). Mayor and Council then reviewed portions of the budget including revenues, expenditures, contract negotiations, etc.

The next budget session will be at the regular Council meeting Monday, June 4, 2007 at 7:30 p.m.

05-29-07-4 Motion by Dropiewski supported by Martin to adjourn the special meeting at 8:07 p.m.

All present voting yes. Motion carried unanimously.

RICHARD C. JONES, MAYOR

LORENE BUTSKI, CITY CLERK

DATE: _____
Approved