

REGULAR COUNCIL PROCEEDINGS

CITY OF FLAT ROCK, MICHIGAN

MONDAY, JULY 2, 2007

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 Martin, Dropiewski, Wrobel and Gagne. Council Members Painter and Tefend were absent.

07-02-01 Motion by Dropiewski supported by Wrobel to excuse the absent members.

All present voting yes. Motion carried unanimously.

3. APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

07-02-02 Motion by Gagne supported by Dropiewski to approve the regular minutes of June 18, 2007 as presented.

All present voting yes. Motion carried unanimously.

4. CITIZENS TO BE HEARD: No one spoke.

5. REPORTS FROM DEPARTMENT HEADS:

Building Director, John Russ, addressed the issue of inflatable pools that are more than 24 inches of water. He stated these pools need permits for building and electrical and they need to be fenced in with a locked gate.

Community Development Director, George Mans, passed out flyers for the Saturday, August 4, 2007, "Celebrate Community Down By The River" day. This celebration is sponsored by Flat Rock, Gibraltar, Rockwood, Lake Erie Metropark and Detroit River International Wildlife Refuge. There will be a variety of events for the whole family including kayaking, biking/hiking thru greenway trails to the Marshland Museum Nature Center and a whole lot more.

6. REPORTS FROM COUNCIL MEMBERS:

Council Member Dropiewski wished everyone a safe and happy 4th of July.

Council Member Gagne questioned the status of the Meadows St. bridge in Bradberry Park, and Mayor Jones questioned the street lights. Attorney Grunow will investigate and report back at the next meeting.

Regarding the corroded pipes at the fountain in the park, Bruce Hammond, DPS Director, stated the contractor will be here July 16th to witness the removal of the pipe and will test it to find out the cause of corrosion. He reported the fountain should be fixed by the 4th.

Council Member Martin questioned why the lights at the ball field are not on at night for security reasons. Bruce Hammond will have a report at the next meeting.

7. MAYOR'S COMMENTS:

Mayor Jones addressed a problem concerning the berms and ponds at the Catholic Church on Gibraltar Road. He said the church will go before the Planning Commission which will require a public hearing and hopefully the problem will be solved. He showed Council pictures of the berms and ponds stating Wayne County requires 2-3 acres for retention ponds and the building is only 11,000 sq. ft. He said Flat Rock cannot afford this much land for berms and feels we should file suit on these unrealistic requirements by Wayne County.

07-02-03 Motion by Jones supported by Gagne to pass a resolution directing the City Attorney to research how we may approach this problem.

All present voting yes. Motion carried unanimously.

Mayor Jones discussed the letter council sent to the SHVA objecting to the Technical Consultants and Attorney representing SHVA. The letter was not acknowledged. Mayor Jones made a motion to withhold payment of the City's share.

07-02-04 Motion by Jones supported by Gagne to direct the Treasurer not to pay for Flat Rock's share of the cost to the Attorney and Hinshon of SHVA.

Discussion continued re: Richard Hinshon, Technical Consultant and Attorney Patrick McCauley.

07-02-05 Amendment to the motion: Motion b Dropiewski supported by Wrobel to approve the motion contingent on Mayor Jones making a motion at the next SHVA meeting.

All present voting yes. Motion carried unanimously.

8. UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

Item A – Memo from City Attorney to the Fire Chief re: License Agreement – Flat Rock Metal.

07-02-06 Motion by Gagne supported by Martin to approve the agreement as presented provided all the conditions have been met.

All present voting yes. Motion carried unanimously.

Item b – 2nd reading of Ordinance #223-D re: deleting Chapter 26 entitled “Cable Communications”.

07-02-07 Motion by Martin supported by Dropiewski to suspend the 2nd reading.

All present voting yes. Motion carried unanimously.

07-02-08 Motion by Martin supported by Dropiewski to adopt Ordinance #223-D as presented.

All present voting yes. Motion carried unanimously.

Item c – Payment #1 to Gaglio P&R Cement for ADA ramps.

07-02-09 Motion by Gagne supported by Martin to make payment #1 to Gaglio Cement in the amount of \$35,017.88 (a block grant funded project).

All present voting yes. Motion carried unanimously.

Item d – Magnolia & Red Cedar Drive pavement replacement preliminary estimate.

Discussion regarding the amount of work to be done on Red Cedar.

07-02-10 Motion by Jones supported by Martin to put both street repairs out for bid with alternate bids on Red Cedar. Bids to be due August 15, 2007.

All present voting yes. Motion carried unanimously.

Item e – TABLED ITEM – FRCC Registration Software.

07-02-11 Motion by Martin supported by Dropiewski to remove the item from the table.

All present voting yes. Motion carried unanimously.

07-02-12 Motion by Gagne supported by Dropiewski to waive the bid process and accept the lowest bid from R.C. Systems, Inc. in the amount of \$17,700.

All present voting yes. Motion carried unanimously.

Item f – Reconsideration of FRCC Membership rates.

07-02-13 Motion by Wrobel supported by Martin to allow Flat Rock School District students, their families and employees of the school district to get residential rates if they take out a yearly membership.

All present voting yes. Motion carried unanimously.

07-02-14 Motion by Wrobel supported by Dropiewski to allow business owners three (3) corporate membership per licensed business.

Motion failed 2-3.

07-02-15 Motion by Martin supported by Jones to allow each business three (3) corporate memberships – yearly only.

All present voting yes. Motion carried unanimously.

9. **NEW BUSINESS:**

Item a – Resolution to submit Charter Amendment to Electors re: Compensation of Elective Officers.

07-02-16 Motion by Gagne supported by Dropiewski to approve as presented.

Extensive discussion.

07-02-17 Motion amended: Motion by Gagne supported by Dropiewski to approve with the addition of the word “fully” attended.

Motion failed 2-3.

Item b – Request to hold Annual Kiwanis Peanut Fundraiser.

07-02-18 Motion by Gagne supported by Martin to grant the Kiwanis to hold the Annual Peanut Fundraiser.

All present voting yes. Motion carried unanimously.

Item c – Permission to bid: Solid waste & recyclable collection service.

07-02-19 Motion by Gagne supported b Martin to approve permission to bid with bids to be due August 1, 2007.

All present voting yes. Motion carried unanimously.

10. **CORRESPONDENCE:** None

11. **LATE CORRESPONDENCE:**

Item a – Memo of Understanding from City Attorney re: DPS (TPOAM).

07-02-20 Motion by Jones supported by Martin to approve the 4day – 10 hour a day work schedule modification of the contract.

All present voting yes. Motion carried unanimously.

12. **ADJOURNMENT:**

07-02-21 Motion by Martin supported by Dropiewski to adjourn the regular meeting at 8:20 p.m.

All present voting yes. Motion carried unanimously.

RICHARD C. JONES, MAYOR

LORENE BUTSKI, CITY CLERK

APPROVED: _____
DATE