

REGULAR COUNCIL PROCEEDINGS

CITY OF FLAT ROCK, MICHIGAN

MONDAY, AUGUST 6, 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 ALLIEGIANCE

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

ALSO PRESENT: Fire Chief Vack, DPS Director Hammond, Treasurer Brenda Tallman, Recreation Director Pawlukiewicz, Police Chief Tallman, City Attorney Grunow, Economic Development Director George Mans, City Clerk Lorene Butski.

3. APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

07-08-01 Motion by Council Member Painter supported by Council Member Martin to approve the Regular Minutes of 7-16-07 and the Closed Session Minutes of 7-30-07 as presented.

All present voting yes. Motion carried unanimously.

4. CITIZENS TO BE HEARD:

Dawn Keeton inquired about transportation for people with disabilities. She is disabled herself and stated she and others like her have a need for reasonable and reliable transportation to get to doctors and to work. Recreation Director asked her to call Laurie Brown at the Community Center to see if something could be arranged with the Senior Bus.

Joe Rosen, 26710 Blue Heron, works at Royal Ark Welding stated he wanted to go on record as being opposed to a box store in that location. He likes the small town atmosphere.

Chris Woolley, 25976 Rockridge Crt., inquired as to what was going on because he feels the residents are getting the run around.

Mayor Jones stated Meijer's has signed a purchase agreement contingent on many things.. The revised Master Plan has a 60 day wait for input from different entities and then it will go to the Planning Commission. Planning Commission will give their recommendation to Council. Council will have the last say. Meijer's will have to work through state agencies, county and the DEQ, etc., then go to the Planning Commission

with a rezoning request. When all that is done they will go to the Planning Commission with a site plan.

Both Julie and Joe Musallam, 26469 Hawthorne, urged Council not to let Meijer's come in that location due to trash, noise, lights and traffic it would cause.

Sue Martin, 29832 Red Cedar Dr., said she sympathizes with those who oppose Meijer's but this community needs a Meijer's. She said she agrees that the Kmart sight would be the best place for it but we need to do what is best for all of Flat Rock. She requested anyone who supports Meijer's coming to town to let Mayor and Council know.

Walter Wozniak, 26575 Boulder, inquired if a study was done before making the decision to let Meijer's come in this location. He also questioned Mr. Mans qualifications for the job of Economic Development Director, etc. Mayor Jones suggested he make an appointment with Mr. Mans and discuss the situation with him personally.

Joe Keeton, 26469 Hawthorne, spoke of the traffic and garbage an industrial building would cause.

Bonnie LaBlanc, 26801 Emma, opposes Meijer's in that location.

Todd Roberts, 26657 Rose Dr., moved here from Dearborn Hgts., has worked security for retail and spoke of the disadvantages of a large box store in that area.

Phil Kile, 26800 Emma, moved from Ann Arbor, opposes Meijer's.

Arthur Coen, 27168 Arsenal Rd., opposes Meijer's due to possible increase in crime, traffic, etc..

Joe Marrow, 24871 Parklane, requested STOP signs be put up at Summer and Parklane before an accident happens.

Chief Tallman will look into the situation.

Jerry Pawelczyk, 28260 Arsenal Rd., opposes Meijer's due the heavy traffic it will cause.

Barbara Engle, 26800 Arsenal Rd., opposes Meijer's.

Patricia Collins, Stoneway Dr., moved here from Rochester, New York, opposes Meijer's.

Mayor Jones suggested people come to the meetings to keep abreast of what is going on.

5. REPORTS FROM DEPARTMENT HEADS:

Bruce Hammond, DPS Director, reported he will have a recommendation at the next Council meeting for Solid Waste/Recycling.

6. REPORTS FROM COUNCIL MEMBERS:

Council Member Dropiewski apologized for missing the last meeting.

7. MAYOR'S COMMENTS: None.

8. UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

Item A – Stonewater PUD paving estimates.

John Fiorelli stated they are willing to pay their share of paving Cahill Road but could not pay for all of it.

Council Member Painter suggested he pay his share up front and we hold it to pay for paving Cahill in the future.

07-06-02 Motion by Jones supported by Painter to authorize City Attorney to negotiate with Mr. Fiorelli to deposit \$200,000 for paving Cahill Rd.

Discussion ensued re: special assessment when Cahill gets paved. Grunow stated it was possible.

All present voting yes with Council Member Gagne voting no. Motion carried 6-1.

Item B – Payment #2 to D&D Water and Sewer for Vreeland Road Water Services project.

07-06-03 Motion by Gagne supported by Dropiewski to pay D&D Water & Sewer in the amount of \$9,510.01 as requested by the City Engineer.

All present voting yes. Motion carried unanimously.

9. NEW BUSINESS:

Item A – From City Attorney: proposed Privacy Policy re: Social Security Numbers.

Discussion. City Attorney stated it is a requirement by the State to have a formal written policy in place.

08-06-04 Motion by Dropiewski supported by Martin to approve the policy as presented to be inserted in the Employee Procedure Manual to be distributed to all employees.

All present voting yes. Motion carried unanimously.

Item B – 2007 CDBG Sub recipient Agreement from Wayne County.

08-06-05 Motion by Gagne supported by Dropiewski to approve the agreement as presented.

All present voting yes. Motion carried unanimously.

Item C – Agreement between the City of Flat Rock and Wayne County Division of Senior Citizens' Services – Distribution of Food Commodities.

08-06-06 Motion by Martin supported by Painter to approve the agreement and authorize the Clerk to sign.

All voting yes. Motion carried unanimously.

Item D – Request from Parks & Recreation Director to upgrade copier.

08-06-07 Motion by Martin supported by Gagne to waive the bid process and approve the lease for the copier.

All voting yes. Motion carried unanimously.

Item E – Appointments to various commissions.

08-06-08 Motion by Martin supported by Gagne to approve the Mayor's recommendation to appoint the following people: Debbie Lambrix to the Flat Rock Building Authority – Library with term of office to expire 12/31/08; Charlene L. Smith to the Library Board of Directors with term of office to expire 8/17/11 and reappoint Ruth Ann Vack to the Library Board of Directors with term of office to expire 8/17/12.

Item F – DDA proposed budget for year 2007-2008.

08-06-09 Motion by Jones supported by Wrobel to approve the budget as presented.

All voting yes. Motion carried unanimously.

10. CORRESPONDENCE:

Item A – DDA meeting minutes of July 12, 2007.

Item B – ZBA meeting minutes of May 14, 2007.

Item C – Historic Preservation Commission minutes of June, 2007.

Item D – Beautification Commission minutes of June, 2007.

11. ADJOURNMENT

08-06-10 Motion by Gagne supported by Martin to adjourn the regular Council meeting at 9:00 p.m.

All voting yes. Motion carried unanimously.

RICHARD C. JONES, MAYOR

LORENE BUTSKI, CITY CLERK

DATE: _____
approved