

REGULAR COUNCIL PROCEEDINGS

CITY OF FLAT ROCK, MICHIGAN

MONDAY, JANUARY 5, 2015

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. ROLL CALL OF COUNCIL MEMBERS:

PRESENT: Mayor Dropiewski, Councilmembers: Beller, Bergeron, Martin, Tefend, Thomas and Wrobel

ALSO PRESENT: Fire Chief Bill Vack, Police Chief John Leacher, DPS Director Matt Sype, Treasurer Brian Marciniak, Building Director Bernie Ciupak, Economic Development Director Liz Hendley, Attorney David Grunow and City Clerk Meaghan Bachman

3. APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

• **Resolution 01-05-01**

Motion by Thomas
Supported by Wrobel

RESOLVED, to approve the minutes of the regular City Council meeting of December 15, 2014 as presented

Motion carried unanimously

4. CITIZENS TO BE HEARD:

Diane Anderson and Bryant Wulff of 24761 E. Huron River Drive thanked the Fire Department for their assistance on December 30, 2014 for a chimney fire at their house. They noted the department did a great job.

Sister of Gloria Sturgill, a resident of Flat Rock spoke of her missing Nephew Todd Martinez. She asked for help from the public and Police Department on locating him.

5. REPORTS FROM DEPARTMENT HEADS:

Police Chief John Leacher wished all a Happy New Year. Police Chief Leacher presented Police Officer Josh Bouchard with his Ceremonial Oath of Honor. Chief Leacher also explained the hiring process of Patrol Officers and why Officer Bouchard was chosen.

DPS Director Matt Sype announced ice was made for the ice rink and should be open soon. He announced on May 2, 2015 Wayne County will host Household Hazardous Waste Day in Flat Rock. The collection will take place at the Flat Rock Community Fields (ball fields). The time is TBD.

6. REPORTS FROM COUNCIL MEMBERS:

Councilman Steve Beller wished all a Happy New Year. He suggested the missing person flyer for Todd Martinez should be placed on social media. He noted how sorry he was to hear about this.

Councilman Martin wished all a Happy New Year and reminded residents to drive carefully due to the weather conditions.

Councilman John Bergeron wished all a Happy New Year. He welcomed Officer Bouchard and noted he will be a valuable asset to Flat Rock.

7. **MAYOR'S COMMENTS:**

Mayor Dropiewski wished all a Happy New Year. He noted the City will do all they can to get the word out about missing person Todd Martinez.

He welcomed Officer Bouchard to the Flat Rock Police Department. He noted Officer Bouchard is the 3rd new officer within the last few months and upon settling the new Patrol Contract. He noted he is also in the process of hiring a 4th officer. Mayor Dropiewski wished the best to Officer Bouchard.

Mayor Dropiewski spoke of the Recreation Director Position vacancy due to Joan Pawlukiewicz retirement. He noted the position was posted and resumes of candidates were sent to Council. Mayor Dropiewski noted the city has a very strong internal candidate and is ready to step into the position. The following motion was made:

- **Resolution 01-05-02**

Motion by Wrobel
Supported by Tefend

RESOLVED, to appoint Rodney Wade as the full time Parks and Recreation Director at a salary of \$60,000 per year, appointed with three (3) weeks of vacation time for the year 2015

BE IF FURTHER RESOLVED, Rodney Wade elects to opt-out the City's health care

Discussion: Councilman Martin noted not enough time was given to Council for review of the candidates resumes. Councilman Beller noted he would like more time to review the resumes as well.

Motion carried 6-1 with Martin Voting No

- **Resolution 01-05-03**

Motion by Beller
Supported by Martin

RESOLVED, to TABLE the appoint Rodney Wade to the position of Recreation Director until the next Council meeting.

Roll Call Vote to Table

AYES: Beller, Bergeron, Martin

NAYS: Dropiewski, Tefend, Thomas, Wrobel

Motion Failed 3-4

Mayor Dropiewski announced the tentative date for the State of the City Address. He noted several great things are going on in Flat Rock for 2015. He noted more details will be announced at the State of the City.

8. **UNFINISHED BUSINESS:**

NONE

9. **NEW BUSINESS**

- **Item 9-A-Invoice for 2014/2015 Downriver Community Conference membership dues and Downriver Mutual Aid membership dues**

Resolution 01-05-04

Motion by Thomas
Supported by Martin

RESOLVED, to approve payment of the Downriver Community Conference 2014/2015 membership dues in the amount of \$4,750.00 and the Downriver Mutual Aid 2014/2015 membership dues in the amount of \$6,585.88

Motion carried unanimously

- **Item 9-B- Payment No. 1 to RVP Construction for water main and pavement repairs**

Resolution 01-05-05

Motion by Martin
Supported by Wrobel

RESOLVED, to approve payment No. 1 to RVP Construction for water main and pavement repairs in the amount of \$27,530.25; Retainage in the amount of \$3,058.25 is held (10%)

Motion carried unanimously

- **Item 9-C- Request to set two (2) public hearings for the Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) program**

Resolution 01-05-06

Motion by Thomas
Supported by Martin

RESOLVED, to schedule two (2) public hearings for the Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) program; the public hearing dates are set for the regularly scheduled Council meetings on January 20, 2015 and February 2, 2015; the purpose of the public hearings is to receive public input on CDBG projects for Program Year 2015. Estimated amount allocated is \$76,735.82

Motion carried unanimously

- **Item 9-D- Resolution authorizing Monroe Bank and Trust to issue credit cards for city employees**

Resolution 01-05-07

Motion by Beller
Supported by Bergeron

RESOLVED, City of Flat Rock Mayor and City Council approves Monroe Bank and Trust to issue credit cards for the following employees with the set limits:

Name	Title	Credit Limit
Brian Marciniak	Treasurer	\$5,000
Meaghan Bachman	Clerk	\$1,500
Liz Hendley	Economic Dev Director	\$1,500
Bill Vack	Fire Chief	\$1,500
John Leacher	Police Chief	\$1,500
Matt Sype	DPS Director	\$1,500
Eric Holtz	Mechanic	\$1,500
Rodney Wade	FRCC Director	\$2,000
	Total	\$16,000

Motion carried unanimously

10. CITIZENS TO BE HEARD (ADDITIONAL COMMENTS):

NONE

11. CORRESPONDENCE:

NONE

CLOSED SESSION

- **Item A - To discuss with attorney labor negotiations, Michigan Association of Fire Fighter**

Resolution 01-05-08

Motion by Martin
Supported by Thomas

RESOLVED, to convene into closed session to discuss with attorney labor negotiations, Michigan Association of Fire Fighter at 8:11 PM

Motion carried unanimously

- **Convene into the regular City Council meeting**

Resolution 01-05-09

Motion by Martin
Supported by Beller

RESOLVED, to reconvene into the regular City Council meeting at 8:32 PM

Motion carried unanimously

- **Resolution 01-05-10**

Motion by Martin
Supported by Thomas

RESOLVED, to approve the tentative agreement between the City of Flat Rock and the Michigan Association of Fire Fighters and the agreement is retro-active from January 5, 2015;and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, the Mayor and Clerk shall be authorized to execute the agreement upon the review of the City Attorney and approval of the final draft of the collective bargaining agreement

Motion carried unanimously

12. **ADJOURNMENT:**

- **Resolution 01-05-11**

Motion by Martin
Supported by Beller

RESOLVED, to adjourn the regular City Council meeting of January 5, 2015 at 8:35 PM

All voting yes; motion carried unanimously

JONATHAN DROPIEWSKI, MAYOR

DATE: _____
Approved

MEAGHAN K. BACHMAN, CITY CLERK