

REGULAR COUNCIL PROCEEDINGS

CITY OF FLAT ROCK, MICHIGAN

MONDAY, OCTOBER 18, 2010

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, Moore and Tefend.

ABSENT: Council Member Painter.

10-18-01 Motion by Wrobel supported by Martin to excuse the absent member.

All present voting yes. Motion carried unanimously.

ALSO PRESENT: DPS Director Hammond, Recreation Director Pawlukiewicz, Police Chief Rossow, Economic Director Mans, City Attorney Grunow, Building Director John Russ, and Clerk Butski.

3. APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

10-18-02 Motion by Gagne supported by Martin to approve the minutes of the Regular Council Meeting of October 04, 2010 as presented.

All present voting yes. Motion carried unanimously.

4. CITIZENS TO BE HEARD:

Gary Borden reminded everyone of the Riverfest Meeting to be held Wednesday, October 20, 2010 at 6:00 pm in Conference Room A of City Hall.

5. PRESENTATION OF PLAQUE TO SUSAN DADDARIO

Mayor Dropiewski presented Susan Daddario with a plaque thanking her for ten (10) years of service on the Library Board of Directors.

Ms. Daddario stated it had been an honor to serve on the board and dedicated the plaque to all the volunteers on the Library Board of Directors.

6. REPORTS FROM DEPARTMENT HEADS:

John Russ, Building Director, stated that starting October 1, 2010 the EPA and the MDEQ will require contractors to have certification to do the work on any house built before 1978 due to lead base material being present.

George Mans, Economic Development Director, reported work is proceeding on the Frost & Remer building rehabilitation on the corner of Gibraltar and Telegraph Roads.

Police Chief Rossow asked the public to drive carefully on Halloween between the hours of 6:00 to 8:00 pm, have their children wear reflective clothing and check their candy. He said extra cars will be out patrolling that night.

Fire Chief Vack reported the siren Monday morning was from the CN Railroad and was set off by a new employee by accident.

Bruce Hammond, DPS Director, gave an update on the Arsenal Road, Hall Road and Vreeland Road paving projects.

7. REPORTS FROM COUNCIL MEMBERS:

Council Member Moore complimented the school on the Homecoming Parade.

8. MAYOR'S COMMENTS:

Mayor Dropiewski said the Ford Motor Company personal property tax tables (new tables released in 2009) are flawed depreciation tables. He said Ford will be treated like everyone else, they are delinquent and the Treasurer has been instructed to perform her duty. Mayor will have an update at the next meeting.

9. UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

Item A – Payment of invoice for Historical Wagar House restoration.

10-18-03 Motion by Gagne supported by Martin to pay the invoice to Fine Finishings in the amount of \$68,578.00.

Motion carried 5-1 with Wrobel voting no.

10. NEW BUSINESS:

Item A – Command Unit labor agreement.

10-18-04 Motion by Tefend supported by Martin to concur with the City Attorney's recommendation and approve the agreement which covers the period 7-1-2008 through 6-30-2012.

Motion carried 5-1 with Gagne voting no.

Item B – Phelps vs. City of Ecorse.

10-18-05 Motion by Martin supported by Dropiewski to concur with the City Attorney's recommendation and approve payment in the amount of \$3,750.00.

All present voting yes. Motion carried unanimously.

Item C – Payment of invoice for liquid calcium chloride.

10-18-06 Motion by Gagne supported by Martin to pay the invoice in the amount of \$2,219.60.

All present voting yes. Motion carried unanimously.

Item D – 2011 membership dues to the Downriver Community Conference.

10-18-07 Motion by Tefend supported by Wrobel to approve payment of dues for period October, 2010 – September, 2011 in the amount of \$4,750.00.

All present voting yes. Motion carried unanimously.

Item E – 2011 membership dues to the Downriver Mutual Aid.

10-18-08 Motion by Gagne supported by Martin to approve payment of dues for period 2010 – 2011 in the amount of \$5,643.21.

All present voting yes. Motion carried unanimously.

Item F – Amendment to Health Reimbursement Plan.

10-18-09 Motion by Gagne supported by Moore to concur with the City Attorney's recommendation and approve the amendment.

All present voting yes. Motion carried unanimously.

11. CORRESPONDENCE:

Item A – Resolution from City of Riverview re: Reinstating the Two-inch Rule for Sidewalk Defects.

10-18-10 Motion by Gagne supported by Martin to adopt a similar resolution.

All present voting yes. Motion carried unanimously.

Item B – Notice from State DOT of reconstruction on US-24 from Vreeland to West Road.

Mr. Hammond stated the current scheduled let date of the State DOT project is April, 2011, however, that could change.

12. LATE CORRESPONDENCE:

Item A – Request from Flat Rock Goodfellows to hold the annual Goodfellows newspaper sale Friday, November 19, 2010 from 7:00 am to 5:00 pm.

10-18-11 Motion by Dropiewski supported by Gagne to approve the Goodfellow’s request.

All present voting yes. Motion carried unanimously.

10-18-12 Motion by Dropiewski supported by Martin to go into Closed Session to discuss the City Attorney’s written legal opinion of September 2, 2010.

Roll Call Vote: Tefend, Wrobel, Dropiewski, Gagne, Martin and Moore voting yes. Painter absent. Motion carried unanimously.

Mayor called a ten minute recess at 8:10 p.m.

10-18-13 Motion by Gagne supported by Wrobel to return to Open Session at 8:31 p.m.

All present voting yes. Motion carried unanimously.

13. ADJOURNMENT:

10-18-14 Motion by Wrobel supported by Moore to adjourn the regular meeting at 8:32 p.m.

All present voting yes. Motion carried unanimously.

JONATHAN D. DROPIEWSKI, MAYOR

LORENE BUTSKI, CMC, CITY CLERK

DATE: _____
approved

