

REGULAR COUNCIL PROCEEDINGS

CITY OF FLAT ROCK, MICHIGAN

MONDAY, OCTOBER 6, 2014

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, Interim Police Chief Jeff Metz, DPS Director Matt Sype, Building Director Bernie Ciupak, Economic Development Director Liz Hendley, Attorney David Grunow and City Clerk Meaghan Bachman

3. APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

Resolution 10-06-01

Motion by Bergeron
Supported by Wrobel

RESOLVED, to approve the minutes of the regular City Council meeting of September 15, 2014 and the special Council Meeting of September 29, 2014 as presented

Motion carried unanimously

4. CITIZENS TO BE HEARD:

Sue Farrar of the Beautification announced the 1st Annual Home Halloween Decorating Contest. Judging will take place on Monday, October 27, 2014 between the hours of 6:00 – 8:00 PM. Winners will be announced at the November 3, 2014 Council meeting and prizes will be awarded.

Roxann Dumas noted her concern for the public hearing regarding the amendment to the Off Street Parking and Loading Zoning Ordinance. She felt the amendment isn't necessary and the vehicles could be of help in emergency situations.

State Representative Bill LaVoy introduced himself and noted he is available for any concerns the residents may have. He noted he will be available after the Council meeting to talk.

5. REPORTS FROM DEPARTMENT HEADS:

Fire Chief Bill Vack noted the new ambulance specs are complete and will be presented at the next Council Meeting for approval. He noted two full time employees are leaving the fire department. He updated the council on the status of new hires. Councilman Wrobel asked if the process has started to replace the full time employees who are leaving; Vack noted he and the Mayor have discussed the replacement process.

Interim Police Chief Jeff Metz introduced and welcomed a new police officer. He gave Officer Elijah Lowery the Oath of Honor. Chief Metz noted the dog run at the animal shelter is complete along with new signage. He thanked Jason and Scott for the renovation of the shelter and noted it was part of an Eagle Scout project. Chief Metz read a letter to the Mayor & Council regarding the position of police chief.

6. REPORTS FROM COUNCIL MEMBERS:

Councilwoman Dawn Thomas thanked Flat Rock Schools for inviting the Council to the Homecoming Parade. She noted it was a great time.

Councilman John Bergeron thanked the Eagle Scout for an outstanding project. He congratulated all who were part of the Homecoming event. He thanked Jeff Metz for his time served as interim police chief and noted he did an outstanding job.

Councilman Jim Martin noted the Homecoming events went really well.

Councilman Ken Wrobel thanked State Representative Bill LaVoy for attending the meeting. Councilman Wrobel asked if a budget/account number for special events could be created. He noted it would be helpful to track billing and cost. Discussion was made between the Mayor and Councilmembers regarding the request. It was determined a line item for overtime would be added to employee time sheets to track special event hours and cost from employees.

Councilman Steve Beller noted ducks are getting hit by cars due to speeding on Aspen. He asked residents to slow down and look out for the ducks. Councilman Beller thanked Jeff Metz for his duties as interim police chief.

7. MAYOR'S COMMENTS:

Mayor Dropiewski congratulated Flat Rock Schools on a successful Homecoming. He noted the football team played well and did a great job.

Mayor Dropiewski thanked all who attended Riverfest 2014. He thanked the sponsors, committee, city employees who worked and city employees who volunteered their time. He noted Riverfest is great benefit to the city and it brings people together and helps local business. He announced the 2015 Riverfest dates as, September 18, 19, 20, 2015. He noted Country Blast dates to come soon.

Mayor Dropiewski noted the city is in the process of replacing the boiler at City Hall. He noted the city is working with design engineers for cost and design for a replacement.

8. UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

None

9. NEW BUSINESS

a) **Item 9-A- Mayoral commission reappointment – Paul Gagne, Library Board of Directors**

Resolution 10-06-02

Motion by Thomas
Supported by Bergeron

RESOLVED, to approve the Mayoral commission reappointment – Paul Gagne, Library Board of Directors with term ending 8/17/2019

Motion carried unanimously

Item 9-B- Mayoral commission appointment – Robin Gillis, Historic Preservation Commission

Resolution 10-06-03

Motion by Thomas
Supported by Bergeron

RESOLVED, to approve the Mayoral commission appointment – Robin Gillis, Historic Preservation Commission with term ending 2/7/2017

Motion carried unanimously

Item 9-C- Resolution to continue partnership with the Michigan Main Street as an Associate Main Street Member

Resolution 10-06-04

Motion by Thomas
Supported by Dropiewski

RESOLVED, to approve the resolution to continue partnership with the Michigan Main Street as an Associate Main Street Member

Motion carried unanimously

Item 9-D- Approval to purchase one Badger Water Meter

Resolution 10-06-05

Motion by Martin
Supported by Wrobel

RESOLVED, to approve the purchase one Badger Water Meter Model M-5000 to replace the existing meter that feeds Deerfield Estates Mobile Home Park from their Telegraph Road connection. The cost of the meter is \$3,434.00 and includes all meter related equipment. The installation can be performed by Flat Rock employees.

Motion carried unanimously

Item 9-E- Approval of IDNetworks computer fingerprinting and photographing system annual invoice

Resolution10-06-06

Motion by Thomas
Supported by Bergeron

RESOLVED, to approve the IDNetworks computer fingerprinting and photographing system annual invoice in the amount of \$3,495.00 – coverage good through 9/30/2015

Motion carried unanimously

Item 9-F- 2014 Ford Explorer SUV Patrol Car Up-fit

Resolution 10-06-07

Motion by Martin
Supported by Tefend

RESOLVED, to approve the 2014 Ford Explorer SUV Patrol Car Up-fit in the amount of \$7,833.00

Motion carried unanimously

Item 9-G-TEFAP Food Commodity Distribution Agreement for services at the Flat Rock Community Center

Resolution10-06-08

Motion by Thomas
Supported by Beller

RESOLVED, to approve the TEFAP Food Commodity Distribution Agreement for services at the Flat Rock Community Center

Motion carried unanimously

Item 9-H-Request a Public Hearing for the amendment to Zoning Ordinance/Off-Street Parking Requirement

Resolution10-06-09

Motion by Thomas
Supported by Martin

RESOLVED, to a Public Hearing for the amendment to Zoning Ordinance/Off-Street Parking Requirement per the request of interested homeowner at 25191 East Huron River Drive; the hearing is set for November 3, 2014 at 7:30 PM

Motion carried unanimously

Item 9-I- Purchase of police patrol vehicle

Resolution10-06-10

Motion by Beller
Supported by Martin

RESOLVED, to approve the purchase of a new police patrol 2014 Ford Explorer AWD; vehicle replaces the crashed unit 17-4 that was totaled in the summer of 2014; payout on totaled vehicle was \$16,890.00. Total price of new vehicle including equipment is \$19,933.00

Motion carried unanimously

10. CITIZENS TO BE HEARD (ADDITIONAL COMMENTS):

NONE

11. LATE CORRESPONDENCE:

None

12. ADJOURNMENT:

Resolution 10-06-11

Motion by Wrobel
Supported by Martin

RESOLVED, to adjourn the regular City Council meeting of October 6, 2014 at 8:14 PM

All voting yes; motion carried unanimously

Note: recording of council meeting not available – recording system didn't work

JONATHAN DROPIEWSKI, MAYOR

DATE: _____
 Approved

MEAGHAN K. BACHMAN, CITY CLERK