

**REGULAR COUNCIL PROCEEDINGS**

**CITY OF FLAT ROCK, MICHIGAN**

**MONDAY, DECEMBER 17, 2012**

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, Council members Martin, Borden, Wilkins, Wrobel, Gagne and Moore

**ALSO PRESENT:** DPS Director Hammond, Recreation Director Pawlukiewicz, Police Chief Rossow, Treasurer Rozga, City Attorney Grunow and Clerk Armstrong

**3. APPROVAL OF MINUTES:**

**Resolution 12-17-01**

Motion by Gagne  
Supported by Wrobel

RESOLVED, to approve the minutes of the regular City Council meeting of December 3, 2012

Motion carried unanimously

**4. 2011-2012 CITY OF FLAT ROCK AUDIT**

Michael Georges of Hungerford & Company presented the 2011-2012 Audit. No action was taken

**5. CITIZENS TO BE HEARD:**

Sue Farrar spoke of the Christmas decorating contest on December 13, 2012. She thanked DTE for donating the gift certificates for the winners. She announced the winners and congratulated them.

**6. REPORTS FROM DEPARTMENT HEADS:**

Police Chief Rossow reminded citizens to keep cars locked. He also spoke regarding solicitors and informed citizens to call the police department if suspicious. Through discussion, it was decided that when a solicitor registers with the City, the clerk's office will list that solicitor on the City website.

**7. REPORTS FROM COUNCIL MEMBERS:**

Councilwoman Felicia Moore wished everyone a safe Christmas and to enjoy the holidays.

Councilman Jim Martin wished everyone a safe and Merry Christmas.

Councilman Gary Borden thanked Sue Farrar for her efforts with the Christmas decorating contest. He thanked Joanne Pawlukiewicz for the senior Christmas party and the employee Christmas party. Gary asked for an update on Silica Mining; the Mayor stated the permit was on hold at this time. Mr. Borden suggested the City of Flat Rock create a Facebook page; the Mayor responded we do have one it just isn't live yet. Councilman Borden thanked Crest Ford for supporting the jump rope event. He wished everyone a Merry Christmas.

Councilwoman Debbie Wilkins thanked the fire department for assisting with her Mother. She wished everyone a Merry Christmas and Happy New Year.

Councilwoman Wilkins made a motion to hire two police officers – this motion is recorded within this set of minutes.

Councilman Paul Gagne thanked Sue Farrar for her hard work with the Christmas decorating contest.

**8. MAYOR'S COMMENTS:**

Mayor Jonathon Dropiewski welcomed Bootleg Barbeque and complimented their good food.

He spoke about Tim Hortons; the Planning Commission will meet in January. The Tim Hortons location will be at the old Wendy's on Telegraph. Renovations should start early spring.

Mayor Dropiewski spoke about issues the State Legislature passed including Personal Property Tax. He updated the public that bills are being reviewed to see what it all means. He spoke of how this will affect our community.

Mayor Dropiewski suggested if anyone was looking to donate a charitable contribution, the Flat Rock Community Foundation is a great charity and they will be kicking off a fundraising drive to help with the ice rink and fountain complex.

The Mayor wished everyone a Merry Christmas and Happy New Year.

**9. UNFINISHED BUSINESS:**

**Item 9-a. Ordinance – 2<sup>nd</sup> Reading – Establishing the Flat Rock Community Center as a separate department of the City**

**Resolution 12-17-02**

Motion by Borden  
Supported by Martin

RESOLVED, to suspend the 2<sup>nd</sup> reading of the ordinance establishing the Flat Rock Community Center as a separate department of the City

Motion carried 6-1  
with Wilkins voting no

**Resolution 12-17-03**

Motion by Martin  
Supported by Wilkins

RESOLVED, not to adopt the ordinance establishing the Flat Rock Community Center as a separate department of the City

Motion failed 4-3  
with Dropiewski, Wrobel and Moore voting no

**Resolution 12-17-04**

Motion by Dropiewski  
Supported by Wrobel

RESOLVED, to adopt the ordinance establishing the Flat Rock Community Center as a separate department of the City of Flat Rock

Motion failed 4-3  
with Gagne, Martin, Wilkins and Borden voting no

**10. NEW BUSINESS:**

**Item 10-a. Re-appointments to various commissions**

**Resolution 12-17-05**

Motion by Gagne  
Supported by Borden

RESOLVED, to appoint the below commissioners:

Beautification Commission	Marilyn Young	12/31/2016
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Board of Review	Carol Gibbons	12/31/2016
Building Authority	Bruce Hammond	12/31/2016
Zoning Board of Appeals	Timothy Spees	12/31/2016
Historical Commission	Margaret Ann Cooper	02/07/2013

Motion carried unanimously  
Martin abstained

**Item 10-b. Purchase of a 2013 Ford Interceptor police vehicle**

**Resolution 12-17-06**

Motion by Borden  
Supported by Moore

RESOLVED, to purchase a 2013 Ford interceptor police vehicle with the \$1000.00 all-wheel drive option; funded through capital outlay

Motion carried unanimously

**Item 10-c. Request to hire two police officers (resolution added by Councilwoman Wilkins)**

**Resolution 12-17-07**

Motion by Wilkins  
Supported by Borden

RESOLVED, to hire two City of Flat Rock Police Officers

Motion failed 1-6  
With Dropiewski, Martin, Borden, Wrobel, Gagne and Moore voting no

**11. ADJOURNMENT:**

**Resolution 12-17-08**

Motion by Martin  
Supported by Wrobel

RESOLVED, to adjourn the regular City Council meeting of December 17, 2012

All voting yes; Motion carried unanimously.

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**JONATHAN DROPIEWSKI, MAYOR**

**DATE:** \_\_\_\_\_  
**Approved**

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**MEAGHAN K. ARMSTRONG, CITY CLERK**