

**REGULAR COUNCIL PROCEEDINGS**

**CITY OF FLAT ROCK, MICHIGAN**

**MONDAY, MARCH 21, 2016**

The regular meeting of the Flat Rock City Council convened at the Municipal Building, 25500 Gibraltar Road, Flat Rock, Michigan 48134, on the above date at 7:30 p.m.

**1. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

**2. ROLL CALL OF COUNCIL MEMBERS:**

PRESENT: Mayor Dropiewski, Council Members: Bergeron, Little, Martin, Tefend, and Thomas

ALSO PRESENT: City Attorney David Grunow, City Clerk Meaghan Bachman, Fire Chief Bill Vack, Police Chief John Leacher, Department of Public Service Director Matt Sype, Recreation Director Rodney Wade, Economic Development Director Liz Hendley, and Building Director Larry Dishaw

**Resolution 03-21-01**

Motion by Martin  
Supported by Bergeron

RESOLVED, that Flat Rock City Council hereby excuses Council Member Wrobel as absent at the regular City Council meeting of March 21, 2016

Motion carried unanimously 6-0

**3. APPROVAL OF MINUTES:**

**Resolution 03-21-02**

Motion by Thomas  
Supported by Bergeron

RESOLVED, to approve the minutes of the regular City Council meeting of March 7, 2016 as presented

Motion carried unanimously 6-0

**4. CITIZENS TO BE HEARD:**

None

**5. REPORTS FROM DEPARTMENT HEADS:**

Police Chief John Leacher introduced two new police officers. Chief Leacher presented Officer Matthew Wilczynski and Officer Joseph Warner with the Police Officer Oath of Honor.

Economic Development Director Liz Hendley noted the Master Plan Survey will be on the City website until April 1, 2016.

Building Director Larry Dishaw thanked Liz Hendley for taking lead on the Master Plan. He noted the department is in the final review stage for the splash pad. Director Dishaw noted W. Huron River Drive dirt will be issued a ticket if not resolved by Thursday. He noted review will take place by the Planning Commission for issues with signs and the location of signs along Telegraph Road. He noted Liparoto's will go to the Planning Commission for a project. Calder Dairy progress is taking place.

City Attorney David Grunow noted the Building Director received an application from Utility Network Authority for a Telecommunications pole in the City right of way of 120 feet tall on Telegraph Road near the business, Dairy Queen. Attorney Grunow noted several communities are retaining Kitch Drutches Wagner Valitutti & Sherbrook, P.C. and requested the City to retain the specialist to represent the City of Flat Rock. The following motion was made:

**Resolution 03-21-03**

Motion by Thomas  
Supported by Martin

RESOLVED, to retain Kitch Drutches Wagner Valitutti & Sherbrook, P.C. to represent the City of Flat Rock regarding the pending Utility Network Authority application for a 120' Telecommunications pole in the city right of way

Motion carried unanimously 6-0

**6. REPORTS FROM COUNCIL MEMBERS:**

None

**7. MAYOR'S COMMENTS:**

Mayor Dropiewski announced he invited special guest to the meeting. He noted the Flat Rock fall and winter sports teams had great success this year. The Varsity Wrestling Coach John Cecil spoke of the team success. He noted they took 3<sup>rd</sup> in the Huron League; Devin Richmond and Jeffrey Jones went to the State tournament at the Palace of Auburn Hills. Mayor Dropiewski welcomed the Varsity Cheerleaders. The Assistant Coach announced the team won District Champs this year. The team introduced themselves. Mayor Dropiewski congratulated Kayla Jackson who won State Championship in Bowling.

Mayor Dropiewski said hello to all of the 3<sup>rd</sup> graders at Barnes Elementary. The Mayor noted he was at Barnes a couple weeks ago for local government week. He also noted he was back at Barnes this morning for reading month. He read several books to several different classes.

The Mayor gave an update on the front porch steps making progress. Mayor Dropiewski extended his condolences to Council Member Bergeron on the loss of his Father in Law and to Council Member Martin on the loss of his cousin.

Mayor Dropiewski asked the Council to authorize the Police Chief to post a part-time (29 hours a week or less) position for managing the Animal Shelter. The Mayor noted it will be posted on the City website and hired by the Police Chief. Council Member Tefend asked if ordinance enforcement will be part of the duties; Mayor responded the Building Department is handling the ordinance enforcement and handling it well. Council Member Martin asked if the position will pick up animals; Mayor noted the Police Department will continue picking up and he is speaking with

other communities for the rare occurrences where you need a certified Animal Control Officer. The following motion was made:

**Resolution 03-21-04**

Motion by Dropiewski  
Supported by Thomas

RESOLVED, to authorize the Police Chief to post and hire the position for an Animal Shelter Manager;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, this position will be classified as part-time at 29 hours per week or less

Motion carried unanimously 6-0

Mayor Dropiewski announced the headliner for the 2016 Summer Blast as American Idol winner Taylor Hicks. He will perform on Saturday, June 11, 2016. The Mayor encouraged all to attend the Summer Blast at Huroc Park.

**8. UNFINISHED BUSINESS:**

None

**9. NEW BUSINESS**

**Item 9-A- Request from the Rockwood Area Lions Club to solicit donations in Flat Rock on April 29<sup>th</sup> and 30<sup>th</sup>, 2016 during Michigan White Cane Week**

**Resolution 03-21-05**

Motion by Martin  
Supported by Bergeron

RESOLVED, to approve the request from the Rockwood Area Lions Club to solicit donations in Flat Rock on April 29<sup>th</sup> and 30<sup>th</sup>, 2016 during Michigan White Cane Week

Motion carried unanimously 6-0

**Item 9-B- Appointment of Mike Whalls to the TIFA Board**

**Resolution 03-21-06**

Motion by Bergeron  
Supported by Martin

RESOLVED, to approve the appointment of Mike Whalls to the TIFA Board with term expiring on June 11, 2017

Motion carried unanimously 6-0

**Item 9-C-2015 and 2016 Assessment Fee to The Guidance Center**

**Resolution 03-21-07**

Motion by Thomas  
Supported by Tefend

RESOLVED, to approve the 2015 and 2016 Assessment Fee to The Guidance Center

Motion carried unanimously 6-0

**Item 9-D- Payment No. 1 – Cleaning, Televising, Inspecting Sewers under SAW Grant Program – Advanced Underground Inspection, LLC**

**Resolution 03-21-08**

Motion by Martin  
Supported by Bergeron

RESOLVED, to approve Payment No. 1 for Cleaning, Televising, Inspecting Sewers under SAW Grant Program to Advanced Underground Inspection, LLC in the amount of \$45,774.82

Motion carried unanimously 6-0

**Item 9-E- Final Payment No. 5 – Water Main and Pavement Repairs 2014 – RVP Construction**

**Resolution 03-21-09**

Motion by Thomas  
Supported by Martin

RESOLVED, to approve Final Payment No. 5 for Water Main and Pavement Repairs 2014 to RVP Construction in the amount of \$1830.12

Motion carried unanimously 6-0

**Item 9-F-Permission to Request Proposals for Animal Shelter Roof and Ceiling**

**Resolution 03-21-10**

Motion by Bergeron  
Supported by Thomas

RESOLVED, Katherine Stock, volunteer at the Animal Shelter recently announced the Shelter received a grant in the amount of \$6,000 from Two Seven Oh Inc. of Birmingham Michigan, for the replacement of the roof and installation of a ceiling; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, to approve the request for proposals for the Flat Rock Animal Shelter Roof and Ceiling repair before determining if formal bid process is needed

Motion carried unanimously 6-0

**Item 9-G-Baseball License and Use Agreement**

**Resolution 03-21-11**

Motion by Bergeron  
Supported by Martin

RESOLVED, to approve the Baseball License and Use Agreement between the City of Flat Rock and the Catholic Baseball Players For Christ Inc. (a/k/a "Lake Erie Monarchs")

Discussion: Council Member Little asked about fencing and gates installed per the contract; it was noted most of that work was completed. He also asked about the press box installation; it was noted in order to have a multiyear agreement, a press box would need to be constructed, the agreement presented to Council is a one (1) year agreement

Motion carried unanimously 6-0

**10. CITIZENS TO BE HEARD (ADDITIONAL COMMENTS):**

NONE

**11. LATE CORRESPONDENCE:**

**Item 11-A-Flat Rock Little League Opening Day Parade**

**Resolution 03-21-12**

Motion by Bergeron  
Supported by Thomas

RESOLVED, to approve the Flat Rock Little League Opening Day Parade on April 23, 2016 with a make-up day in case of "extremely bad weather" on April 30, 2016; Cars start to line up at 8:30am at the High School Parking lot and kids start to arrive at 9:00am; Parade starts at 10:00 am from High School parking lot, down Aspen, Tamarack, and Meadow's Ave. to Simpson Middle School

Motion carried unanimously 6-0

**12. ADJOURNMENT:**

**Resolution 03-21-13**

Motion by Thomas  
Supported by Martin

RESOLVED, to adjourn the regular City Council meeting of March 21, 2016 at 8:05 PM

All voting yes; motion carried unanimously 6-0

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**JONATHAN DROPIEWSKI, MAYOR**

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

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**MEAGHAN K. BACHMAN, CITY CLERK**