

## REGULAR COUNCIL PROCEEDINGS

### CITY OF FLAT ROCK, MICHIGAN

MONDAY, APRIL 1, 2013

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, Gagne and Moore

EXCUSED AS ABSENT: Councilman Wrobel

**ALSO PRESENT:** Fire Chief/Building Director Vack, DPS Director Hammond, Treasurer Rozga, Recreation Director Pawlukiewicz, Police Chief Rossow, Economic Director Mans, Attorney Grunow and Clerk Armstrong

**Resolution 04-01-01**

Motion by Martin  
Supported by Borden

RESOLVED, That Flat Rock City Council hereby **EXCUSES** Councilman Wrobel, as absent at the regular City Council meeting of April 1, 2013.

Motion carried unanimously

3. **APPROVAL OF MINUTES:**

**Resolution 04-01-02**

Motion by Borden  
Supported by Martin

RESOLVED, to approve the minutes of the regular City Council meeting of March 18, 2013 and the special meeting of March 25, 2013

Motion carried unanimously

4. **CITIZENS TO BE HEARD:**

Resident Julie Musallam spoke regarding the proposed rezoning and location for the proposed Meijer. She is not against a Meijer in Flat Rock but feels the location should be moved.

Resident at 25976 Rockridge Court spoke opposing the proposed Meijer and suggested the Meijer Marketplace concept.

Resident Brian Scott spoke opposing the proposed Meijer and mentioned past letter and council proceedings.

Resident at 27216 Arsenal Road spoke opposing the proposed site location of Meijer. He suggested using the old KMART site as the Meijer location.

Resident Debbie M. spoke opposing the proposed site location of Meijer. She suggested building at another location in the city.

Resident on Park Lane Drive supports the proposed Meijer and thinks it will be great for the city.

Resident Arlen Fadely spoke of the current zoning of the proposed Meijer site. He spoke of the Vreeland Road extension. Mr. Fadely suggested the Council look into an idling ordinance for trucks. He asked if the money used to fix Evergreen could be used to fix the restrooms at the park.

Sue Farrar spoke supporting Meijer and read a letter of support from resident Carol Gibbons. Sue announced the City Wide Garage Sal on May 18<sup>th</sup> and 19<sup>th</sup>, a permit is required. She announced her partnership with Shelter to Home, a non-profit to help animals. She will be taking a shoe collection that will help support the animal's needs. She also announced the tree dedication program; you can purchase a tree in dedication to someone that will be planted within the city.

**6. REPORTS FROM DEPARTMENT HEADS:**

Economic Development Director George Mans talked about the first meeting of the Michigan Main Street Program which he attended. Mr. Mans stated this opportunity for the city to participate in this program is the most positive thing he seen since he has worked for Flat Rock. This is a great opportunity for the city. He spoke about placing making and the meaning of it. He will announce he will come back from time to time to update the council.

Recreation Director Joann Pawlukiewicz asked for approval to waive the bid process to get pump installed at the community center pool due to the pump not working.

**Resolution 04-01-03**

Motion by Wilkins  
Supported by Borden

Resolved, approval to waive the bid process for a new pump for the community center pool

Motion carried unanimously

**7. REPORTS FROM COUNCIL MEMBERS:**

Councilwoman Debbie Wilkins extended her condolences to Betty Law, a longtime resident who passed away. She reminded residents that the rabies vaccination clinic is Saturday, April 20, 2013 between 9 am – 12 pm behind the fire station. She spoke regarding the proposed Meijer. She noted she will listen to all comments and concerns but will vote for what is best for the city. She said she has a lot of homework to do and noted she attended the planning meeting. She said she spent several hours walking the property and watched the traffic.

Councilman Gary Borden wished everyone a happy Easter. He spoke regarding Meijer and said he will listen to each and every comment and every resident. He asked Fire Chief Bill Vack for an update on the hiring process of firefighters and building inspector/ordinance officer. He asked about the new hair salon in the plaza. He also announced the Country Fest and asked Councilman Gagne about the hiring of a new library board director.

Councilman Gagne gave a report on the library board and will be working on next fiscal year budget. The board is working on finding a replacement library director. The board also voted to increase the millage rate a half mil. Councilman Gagne announced the celebration of his 62<sup>nd</sup> wedding anniversary.

Councilwoman Moore spoke of the comments made from Mr. Mans regarding the Michigan Main Street Program and the question what do you want Flat Rock to be known for in 15 years. She commented on the old and new neighborhoods of Flat Rock and how they operate as two communities. She hopes that the decisions on Meijer don't divide the city even more. She noted she will be visiting the Meijer Marketplace in Chicago.

**8. MAYOR'S COMMENTS:**

Mayor Jonathan Dropiewski wished everyone a happy Easter and congratulated Councilman Gagne and his wife on their 62<sup>nd</sup> wedding anniversary.

**9. NEW BUSINESS:**

**Item 9-A-License renewal for antivirus/security program for city computers**

**Resolution 04-01-04**

Motion by Martin  
Supported by Dropiewski

RESOLVED, to approve the license renewal for antivirus/security program for city computers

Motion carried unanimously

**Item 9-B - Purchase request to replace cracked transmission case on 1995 L9000 Ford dump truck**

**Resolution 04-01-05**

Motion by Martin  
Supported by Dropiewski

RESOLVED, to approve replacement of cracked transmission case on 1995 L9000 Ford dump truck

Motion carried unanimously

**Item 9-C-Invoice from Badger Meter, Inc. for service renewal for software and hardware for meter reading system**

**Resolution 04-01-06**

Motion by Martin  
Supported by Borden

RESOLVED, to approve invoice from Badger Meter, Inc. for service renewal for software and hardware for meter reading system

Motion carried unanimously

**12. ADJOURNMENT:**

**Resolution 04-01-07**

Motion by Martin  
Supported by Moore

RESOLVED, to adjourn the regular City Council meeting of April 1, 2013 at 8:53 P.M.

All voting yes; motion carried unanimously.

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**JONATHAN DROPIEWSKI, MAYOR**

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

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**MEAGHAN K. ARMSTRONG, CITY CLERK**