

REGULAR COUNCIL PROCEEDINGS

CITY OF FLAT ROCK, MICHIGAN

MONDAY, APRIL 18, 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, Thomas and Wrobel

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 04-18-01

Motion by Martin
Supported by Bergeron

RESOLVED, that Flat Rock City Council hereby excuses Council Member Tefend as absent at the regular City Council meeting of April 18, 2016

Motion carried unanimously 6-0

Note: Council Member Tefend arrived late at 7:51 p.m.

3. APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

Resolution 04-18-02

Motion by Bergeron
Supported by Wrobel

RESOLVED, to approve the minutes of the regular City Council meeting of April 4, 2016 as presented

Motion carried unanimously 6-0

4. CITIZENS TO BE HEARD:

The Senior Alliance presented the Council with a summary of services provided to residents in Flat Rock between October 1, 2014 and September 30, 2015. The total estimated service expenditures of in-home, community-based, and transition services provided to the residents in the City of Flat Rock was \$254,852.37; the City only had to pay a match amount of \$679.00. The mission of The Senior Alliance is to empower people with needs to live with dignity in the community they choose, by providing available services.

State Representative Bill LaVoy spoke to the Council and citizens of Flat Rock on local and state wide issues. Representative LaVoy welcomed the public to reach out to him with any questions or concerns.

Mario, a resident of Hawthorne Ridge subdivision spoke of his concerns regarding the road conditions in his subdivision. He brought in pieces of the road in front of his home to show the poor condition.

5. REPORTS FROM DEPARTMENT HEADS:

Building Director Larry Dishaw spoke of the Meijer project and noted it is progressing along.

Economic Development Director Liz Hendley announced the DIA inside art program is back for the 2nd year in Flat Rock. She invited all to the Grand Opening Ribbon Cutting Ceremony on Tuesday, April 19, 2016 from 5:00 – 7:00 PM at Salute Special Events, 26123 E. Huron River Drive. Members of the Main Street Promotions Committee members Cheryl Hammond and Carey Hammond, who are working on the first annual “Fur Fest” at Huroc Park which is half adoption event and half pet expo event to bring people into Flat Rock to utilize the business in town. Carey noted they are working with Katt Stock of the Animal Shelter to coordinate the event. She noted various rescues and vendors who will participate in the event. Cheryl Hammond announced the City Hall VIP 2017 Fur Fest Mascot contest asking the Elected Officials and Department Heads of Flat Rock to submit a picture of their pet to raise money for the purchase of a pet friendly water fountain for Huroc Park.

City Clerk Meaghan Bachman announced the upcoming City Wide Garage Sale on May 14th and 15th, 2016 on behalf of Sue Farrar who was unable to attend the meeting.

6. REPORTS FROM COUNCIL MEMBERS:

Council Member Wally Little asked if city decals will be placed on the vehicles. The Mayor noted yes it has been discussed.

Council Member Jim Martin gave his condolences to the families of former DPS employee Ed Scheffer and former Building Director John Russ on their passing.

Council Member Dawn Thomas thanked the Flat Rock, Our Home Town members and volunteers for all the work they do.

7. MAYOR’S COMMENTS:

Mayor Dropiewski said hello to the three (3) classes of 2nd graders who had their annual visit to City Hall. They toured City Hall, Council Chambers, Police Department and Fire Department.

The Mayor reminded residents of the annual animal rabies clinic on April 30th from 9:00 am – noon outside of the fire hall.

The Mayor noted he received a thank you from the Mayor of Woodhaven for the Flat Rock Fire Department assisting an apartment fire. Mayor Dropiewski also thanked the Flat Rock Fire Department for assisting Woodhaven.

Mayor Dropiewski announced Family Farm and Home, a retail store will occupy approximately 50,000 square feet of the old Kmart building at the northern end. The retail store has around 80 locations in Michigan and Flat Rock is the 1st location in South East Michigan. Mayor Dropiewski welcomed Family Farm and Home to Flat Rock.

8. **UNFINISHED BUSINESS:**

None

9. **NEW BUSINESS**

Item 9-A-Request from Miller-Strawn VFW Post 9363 to distribute Buddy Poppies on May 5th, 6th, and 7th, 2016

Resolution 04-18-03

Motion by Martin
Supported by Tefend

RESOLVED, to approve the request from Miller-Strawn VFW Post 9363 to distribute Buddy Poppies on May 5th, 6th, and 7th, 2016

Motion carried unanimously 7-0

Item 9-B-Invoice from ESO Solutions, Inc. for EMS Reporting Software

Resolution 04-18-04

Motion by Wrobel
Supported by Thomas

RESOLVED, to approve the invoice from ESO Solutions, Inc. for EMS reporting software in the amount of \$2,376.00

Motion carried unanimously 7-0

Item 9-C-Change Order - Replacement Section of Matilda Avenue

Resolution 04-18-05

Motion by Thomas
Supported by Martin

RESOLVED, to approve the replacement section of Matilda Avenue change order. This will consist of a removal and replacement of a section of concrete approximately 45 feet long by the width of Emma Avenue (24 feet)

Motion carried unanimously 7-0

Item 9-D-Payment No. 2 – Cleaning, Televising, Inspecting Sewers under the SAW Grant - Advanced Underground Inspection LLC

Resolution 04-18-06

Motion by Thomas
Supported by Martin

RESOLVED, to approve Payment No. 2 for Cleaning, Televising, Inspecting Sewers under the SAW Grant to Advanced Underground Inspection LLC., in the amount of \$57,104.39

Motion carried unanimously 7-0

Item 9-E-SHVUA Bond Financing, Aeration Mixer Replacement Project

Resolution 04-18-07

Motion by Thomas
Supported by Martin

Discussion: Council Member Martin asked about language in Exhibit “A” reading “including Flat Rock” he asked if this was done for all the cities. He also asked if the percentage share is the same throughout the entire contract (it was noted yes, it is the same).

Council Member Bergeron asked how the percentage is determined. It was noted the percentage is based on the average of the last 3 years.

RESOLVED, to approve the SHVUA Bond Financing, Aeration Mixer Replacement Project;

WHEREAS, the Cities of Flat Rock, Gibraltar and Woodhaven in the County of Wayne, the Charter Townships of Brownstown, Huron and Van Buren in the County of Wayne, and the Village of South Rockwood in the County of Monroe (collectively, the "Constituent Municipalities"), have established the South Huron Valley Utility Authority (the "Authority"), as an authority organized under the provisions of Act 233, Public Acts of Michigan, 1955, as amended ("Act 233"); and

WHEREAS, Act 233 empowers the Authority to furnish sewage disposal service and to acquire, own, improve, enlarge and extend a sewage disposal system; and

WHEREAS, Act 233 empowers the Authority to finance the acquisition, construction and equipping of sewage disposal system improvements; and

WHEREAS, a contract among the Constituent Municipalities and the Authority (the "Contract") for the acquisition, construction, furnishing, equipping and financing of improvements to the existing sewage disposal system consisting generally of reequipping existing biological treatment tanks with new diffused aeration equipment, including mixers, diffusers, blowers, valves, gates, control system improvements, and safety improvements, together with all necessary appurtenances and attachments thereto (the "Improvements") has been prepared and accompanies this resolution; and

WHEREAS, the Contract provides for the issuance of bonds by the Authority to pay all or part of the costs of the Improvements (the "Bonds").

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT:

1. The Contract is hereby approved, ratified and confirmed and the Mayor and the Clerk of the City are hereby authorized and directed to execute, seal and deliver the Contract for and on behalf of the City; provided, however, that the Contract shall not become effective until the expiration of forty-five (45) days after the date of the publication of the notice attached hereto as Exhibit A as a display advertisement of at least one-quarter (1/4) page size in one or more newspapers of general circulation within the territory encompassed by the Authority, which manner of publication is deemed by the City Council to be the most effective manner of informing the taxpayers and electors of the City of the details of the proposed Contract and the rights of referendum thereunder.

2. If the Bonds are issued on a tax-exempt basis, the City shall take or abstain from taking all actions required by the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended (the "Code"), and regulations thereunder as may be necessary to retain for the interest on the Bonds from the exclusion of interest from adjusted gross income for federal income tax purposes.

3. The Clerk (or the Clerk's designee), is hereby directed to publish the attached notice as soon as possible after the adoption hereof in substantially the form attached, with such changes as shall be approved by the Clerk or the Clerk's designee, and upon the advice of bond counsel to the Authority, so as to permit the Bonds to be issued as contemplated herein. The Clerk may agree to publish the attached notice pursuant to this Section jointly with the clerk of the other Constituent Municipalities provided that the attached notice shall appear in a newspaper having a general circulation in the City.

4. The Chief Administrative Officer is authorized to file a Qualifying Statement with the Michigan Department of Treasury (the "Department") in accordance with Act 34, Public Acts of Michigan, 2001, as amended ("Act 34"), or take such other actions and file such other documents as are appropriate to obtain "qualified status" under Act 34. In the event that the City is not granted qualified status by the Department, the Chief Administrative Officer is hereby authorized to file for prior approval of the bonds from the Michigan Department of Treasury and to pay the fees relating thereto. The Chief Administrative Officer is further authorized to apply for any waivers or other orders from the Department as may be necessary or advisable to issue, sell and deliver the bonds as contemplated herein and to pay any filing fees related thereto.

5. Any officer of the City as may be appropriate is each hereby authorized and directed to take such further steps and actions as are necessary or desirable to enable the Authority to issue the Bonds for and on behalf of the City as contemplated herein.

6. The City has been advised that the Authority has retained Miller, Canfield, Paddock and Stone, P.L.C. ("Miller Canfield") as its bond counsel in connection with the Bonds and the City hereby consents to the representation of the Authority by Miller Canfield.

7. All resolutions and parts of resolutions in conflict with this Resolution be, and the same hereby are repealed.

Motion carried unanimously 7-0

10. CITIZENS TO BE HEARD (ADDITIONAL COMMENTS):

NONE

11. LATE CORRESPONDENCE:

12. **ADJOURNMENT:**

Resolution 04-18-08

Motion by Martin
Supported by Bergeron

RESOLVED, to adjourn the regular City Council meeting of April 18, 2016 at 8:15 PM

All voting yes; motion carried unanimously 7-0

JONATHAN DROPIEWSKI, MAYOR

DATE: _____
Approved

MEAGHAN K. BACHMAN, CITY CLERK