

**REGULAR COUNCIL PROCEEDINGS**

**CITY OF FLAT ROCK, MICHIGAN**

**MONDAY, APRIL 20, 2015**

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: Beller, Bergeron, Martin, Thomas, and Wrobel

ALSO PRESENT: Fire Chief Bill Vack, Police Chief John Leacher, DPS Director Matt Sype, Recreation Director Rodney Wade, Treasurer Brian Marciniak, Economic Development Director Liz Hendley, Building Director Bernie Ciupak, City Clerk Meaghan Bachman and Attorney David Grunow

**Resolution 04-20-01**

Motion by Martin  
Supported by Thomas

RESOLVED, That Flat Rock City Council hereby excuses Council Member Tefend as absent at the regular City Council meeting of April 20, 2015

Motion carried unanimously

**3. APPROVAL OF MINUTES:**

**Resolution 04-20-02**

Motion by Wrobel  
Supported by Martin

RESOLVED, to approve the minutes of the regular City Council meeting of April 6, 2015 as presented

Motion carried unanimously

**4. CITIZENS TO BE HEARD:**

Sue Farrar of the Beautification Commission reminded residents of the Spring City Wide Garage Sale on May 16<sup>th</sup> and 17<sup>th</sup>, 2015.

**5. REPORTS FROM DEPARTMENT HEADS:**

Treasurer Brian Marciniak reminded residents of the animal clinic on Saturday, April 25, 2015 behind the Fire Station. He updated the Council on the Bond Sales (TIFA and Capital Improvement) and noted they will be sold in May 2015.

DPS Director Matt Sype reminded residents of the Wayne County Household Hazardous Waste Day in Flat Rock on Saturday, May 2, 2015. He also spoke regarding the Traffic Control Order item on the agenda.

City Clerk Meaghan Bachman reminded residents of the upcoming May 5, 2015 State Special Primary Election.

Recreation Director Rodney Wade along with Mayor Dropiewski presented awards to the Flat Rock Girls Basketball Team for winning the Regional Championship, which is the first Regional win for Flat Rock.

Police Chief John Leacher presented Life Saving Awards to Officer Lowery, Officer Gamino, Officer Page, and Officer Bouchard.

**6. REPORTS FROM COUNCIL MEMBERS:**

Council Member Steve Beller noted the Run-Fit Mini Marathon at Ford Field and noted it was a great event.

Council Member Ken Wrobel gave his condolences to the Winter Family. He thanked him for his service to the Flat Rock Police and Fire Force.

Council Member Jim Martin gave his condolences to the Winter Family and thanked him for his service. He noted a manhole at Gibraltar and Olmstead is need of repair. He asked the Mayor for the Status of the security cameras at the Historical Village. Council Member Martin asked Bernie to check the house on Red Cedar and noted the roof is caving in.

Council Member John Bergeron congratulated the Flat Rock Girls Basketball Team and the Flat Rock Police Officers.

Council Member Dawn Thomas congratulated the Flat Rock Girls Basketball Team and the Flat Rock Police Officers. She noted what a great time the Little League Parade was. Council Member Thomas wished her Daughter Ashely Happy Sweet 16<sup>th</sup> Birthday.

**7. MAYOR'S COMMENTS:**

Mayor Dropiewski gave his condolences to the Winter Family and noted the City has lost a piece of history.

Mayor Dropiewski noted the Little League Parade turned out to be a great day. He thanked Rodney Wade for the prayer.

The Mayor reminded residents of Miles for Miracles in May and Relay for Life in June.

Mayor Dropiewski congratulated Joanie Donaldson, Superintendent on her retirement from the Flat Rock School District. He noted what a great job she has done in the past five (5) years.

The Mayor noted the start of construction season and the City will be working on Division, Aspen, and Huron Woods, shortly to start. The Engineers are out looking for manholes in the community and notice is posted on the website.

Mayor Dropiewski noted June 12<sup>th</sup>, 13<sup>th</sup> and 14<sup>th</sup> is the Flat Rock Summer Blast and announced the musical line-up. He noted Josh Gracin of American Idol will be headlining on Saturday night. He noted fireworks will take place on Friday night.

**8. UNFINISHED BUSINESS:**

**NONE**

9. **NEW BUSINESS**

**Item 9-A- Traffic Control Order – Division Street**

**Resolution 04-20-03**

Motion by Thomas  
Supported by Wrobel

RESOLVED, to approve the Traffic Control Order – Division Street - Complete replacement of Division Street will be taking place between N. Wesley and Gibraltar Roads. The construction project will begin on April 20, 2015 and be completed no later than September 4, 2015. The street may be reopened sooner in the event construction is completed prior to the end date cited above.

Motion carried unanimously

**Item 9-B- Request to Advertise for Bids on Women’s Locker Room Project**

**Resolution 04-20-04**

Motion by Martin  
Supported by Beller

RESOLVED, to approve the request to advertise for bids for the Police Department Women’s Locker Room Project

Motion carried unanimously

**Item 9-C- Request to Advertise for Bids for Chip Sealing of Woodruff Road**

**Resolution 04-20-05**

Motion by Martin  
Supported by Thomas  
Discussion

RESOLVED, to approve the request to advertise for bids for Chip Sealing of Woodruff Road; the City of Rockwood has expressed their desire to participate with the City to apply chip seal to the portion of Woodruff Rd. that is a shared border. The common border starts at I-75 and extends to Olmstead Rd. and from that point the border continues west to just past Torry Ave, approximately +/- 4,400 ft.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, chip sealing will also take place from Torry Ave. to the bridge over Silver Creek, about +/- 1,700 ft., because the chip sealing needs to be butt jointed to existing pavement that is part of the bridge. The estimated cost of the project is as follows:

Preliminary Project Cost: \$85,000.00

Rockwood: \$25,000.00 double chip seal + \$5,000.00 fog seal = \$30,000.00.

Flat Rock: \$25,000.00 double chip seal + \$5,000.00 fog seal + \$20,000.00 additional double chip seal + \$5,000 fog seal = \$55,000.00.

Motion carried unanimously

**Item 9-D- Request to Solicit Bids to Sell 1995 Ford L-9000 Salt Truck**

**Resolution 04-20-06**

Motion by Martin  
Supported by Beller

RESOLVED, to approve the request to solicit bids to sell a 1995 Ford L-9000 Salt Truck; this truck has become unreliable for the city purpose as a salt truck. Included with the sale would be the tailgate mounted salt spreader and front snow plow, and the frame mounted underbody scraper

Motion carried unanimously

**Resolution 04-20-07**

**Item 9-E-Resolution Approving Streetscape Improvements on Telegraph Road**

Motion by Thomas  
Supported by Wrobel

RESOLVED, WHEREAS, the Flat Rock Downtown Development Authority ("DDA") intends to make Streetscape Improvements along Telegraph Road (US-24) extending from the southern municipal boundary limits, and as funds become available to the northern municipal boundary limits, together with such other Streetscape Improvements along E. Huron River Drive and Gibraltar Road, all as depicted by the attached drawing ("Streetscape Improvements"); and

WHEREAS, the Streetscape Improvements are generally described as the placement and installation of benches, stamped decorative pavement, trash receptacles, and the planting of trees and other plantings, all in accordance with the general plans dated April 3, 2014 filed with the Michigan Department of Transportation (MDOT), Permit # 28929, and such other improvements depicted in plans to be submitted for future improvements and MDOT permits connected or relating to the Streetscape Improvements; and

WHEREAS, as a condition for the issuance of the permit to work within the right-of-way, MDOT requires assurances from the City of Flat Rock ("City") of the continued maintenance and reinstallation of the Streetscape Improvements; and

WHEREAS, MDOT as a further condition for the issuance of the permit reserves the right to require or remove all or a portion of the Streetscape Improvements as needed and required for maintenance and construction purposes, with no obligation to replace or reimburse the City or any of its boards or commissions, and to hold MDOT harmless from any and all claims of whatsoever kind or nature resulting from the construction or removal of the Streetscape Improvements.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the City Council hereby approves the installation, construction, and placement of Streetscape Improvements commencing at the southerly municipal boundary limits and extending to the northerly municipal boundary limits along Telegraph Road and such other Streetscape Improvements as planned on Gibraltar Road and E. Huron River Drive. Such Streetscape Improvements shall be conducted by the DDA under a construction contract with responsible contractors, subject to obtaining the appropriate permits from MDOT, and where necessary the County of Wayne. All funds for the Streetscape Improvements shall be paid from funds of the DDA, and once constructed and installed shall become the property of the City of Plat Rock.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the City of Flat Rock, jointly or in conjunction with the DDA, shall assume and shall be responsible for all maintenance costs for the Streetscape Improvements placed along Telegraph Road (US-24) within the City of Flat Rock as more fully described in Permit # 28929, and such other MDOT permits issued in connection with the Streetscape Improvements.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the City recognizes and accepts the right of MDOT to require the removal of all or any portion of the Streetscape Improvements installed and constructed within the Telegraph Road (US-24) right-of-way as needed for highway maintenance or construction purposes without replacement or reimbursement of costs incurred by the City or the DDA.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the City shall remain responsible for any and all claims arising out of its own acts or omissions or those acts or omissions of the DDA or its contractors in connection with or resulting from the construction or removal of the Streetscape Improvements, and to the extent allowed by law, shall hold MDOT and its officers, agents and employees harmless therefrom. Nothing herein shall be construed as a waiver of the City's governmental immunity to or from any claims to the extent allowed by law.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the provisions contained herein shall apply to any subsequent permit granted by MDOT for the continued installation of the Streetscape Improvements along the Telegraph Road corridor, within the municipal boundaries of the City.

Motion carried unanimously

**Item 9-F-Engineering Services Agreement – SAW Grant Project**

**Resolution 04-20-08**

Motion by Martin  
Supported by Thomas

RESOLVED, to approve the Engineering Services Agreement between the City of Flat Rock, Wayne County, Michigan and Charles E. Raines Company, Riverview, Wayne County, Michigan, for the Stormwater Asset Management and Wastewater (SAW) Grant Program work (PROJECT), MDEQ SAW Grant Project Number 1183-01

Motion carried unanimously

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

John Blevins of Motor City Canoe Rental announced the company's Grand Opening on Saturday, May 2, 2015 10am - 6pm at Pointe Mouille 37205 Pointe Mouille Rd, Brownstown Charter Twp. He also spoke regarding the canoe rental services offered.

**11. CORRESPONDENCE:**

NONE

**12. ADJOURNMENT:**

**Resolution 04-20-09**

Motion by Martin  
Supported by Beller

RESOLVED, to adjourn the regular City Council meeting of April 20, 2015 at 8:20 PM

All voting yes; motion carried unanimously

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**JONATHAN DROPIEWSKI, MAYOR**

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

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**MEAGHAN K. BACHMAN, CITY CLERK**