

REGULAR COUNCIL PROCEEDINGS

CITY OF FLAT ROCK, MICHIGAN

MONDAY, MAY 6, 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: Council members Martin, Borden, Wrobel, Gagne and Moore

EXCUSED AS ABSENT: Councilwoman Wilkins

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

Resolution 05-6-01

Motion by Martin
Supported by Moore

RESOLVED, That Flat Rock City Council hereby **EXCUSES** Councilwoman Wilkins as absent at the regular City Council meeting of May 6, 2013.

Motion carried unanimously

3. APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

Resolution 05-06-02

Motion by Martin
Supported by Borden

RESOLVED, to approve the minutes of the regular City Council meeting of April 15, 2013

Motion carried unanimously

4. CITIZENS TO BE HEARD:

Marlene Guthy spoke regarding concerns about a flood hazard zone at the proposed Meijer site. She mentioned the FEMA & DEQ maps.

Julie Musallam provided handouts to the Mayor and Council from the Planning Commissioner's Toolkit (Michigan Association of Planning) that addressed typical rezoning standards; this is in regards to the proposed Meijer site. She stated the protest petition to appeal the rezoning of proposed Meijer site was submitted to the City Clerk on May 2, 2013.

Resident Pat spoke supporting the proposed Meijer. He said it has potential to bring tax revenue, jobs and growth to the city.

Paul Phillips, Rockridge Court mentioned other sites are available for the proposed Meijer location. He suggested that we put Meijer on the ballot and let the residents decide if they want it.

Dave McGee, Arsenal Road – Spoke opposing the proposed Meijer location. He mentioned The Institute of Local Government Commissioners Handbook (specifically page 44) and quoted a few rezoning questions from the handbook. He also quoted from the Michigan Municipal League Planning Commissioners Handbook, page 10.

A resident that lives down the street from proposed Meijer site asked the Mayor and Council if they were for or against Meijer. She said she would put her house up for sale if Meijer is built at the proposed site. She is worried about the traffic volume and speeding when children are in that area.

Resident at 26684 Arcadia spoke about the proposed Meijer location. He suggested we need to look into other options for that site such as building more homes or put in the “Meijer Marketplace” concept. He noted if we put Meijer on the Telegraph Road site there will be no room for other stores to come in.

Resident at 27280 Arsenal lives within 200 yards of the proposed site. They purchased their home on Arsenal because it was zoned residential and didn’t want to live in a business district. She mentioned a website called nextdoor.com and started a community inside the website called Flat Rock West. It is a discussion board where neighbors can communicate with each other on any various topics.

5. REPORTS FROM DEPARTMENT HEADS:

Police Chief Neal Rossow had a call from the Postmaster of Flat Rock and occasionally when carriers leave packages on porches, people might be following the carriers and taking the packages off front porches, Chief Rossow suggested neighbors keep a look out for this activity. Chief Rossow updated the Council with the Noise ordinance/Jake Breaking. He said the only surrounding community that enforcement is Huron Twp. Looking into what kind of equipment we may need.

Fire Chief Bill Vack announced that Boy Scout Troop 568 is present at the council meeting to earn a merit badge, citizens in the community. He said they are testing for full time position and oral boards. They are hiring 6 paid on call positions within the next couple weeks. Councilman Borden asked about the ordinance officer/building inspector position. Chief said they will be doing the background investigation on a specific applicant.

City Clerk Meaghan Armstrong reminded residents of the City Wide Garage Sale May 18 & 19. The cost of the permit is \$5.00 and list will be available to pick-up.

6. REPORTS FROM COUNCIL MEMBERS:

Councilman Paul Gagne extended his condolence to Debbie Wilkins for the loss of her Mother. He spoke of the Library Board meeting and the Library Board is looking for a new director. He also mentioned they submitted a budget for the 2013/2014 year.

Councilman Felicia Moore

Councilman Jim Martin extended his condolences to Debbie Wilkins for the loss of her Mother. He congratulated the Flat Rock Little League and their successful parade. He reminded everyone of the Miles for Miracles walk on Saturday for Little Lindsay. He asked Bill Vack to look at the building on Telegraph Road, the rear door looks open.

Councilman Gary Borden extended his condolences to Debbie Wilkins for the loss of her Mother. He thanked the Police Department for protecting the citizens and everything they do for the community. He told Bruce the park looked beautiful and thanked the City workers for everything they do. He spoke about Meijer and told the residents he cares a lot about the community and will do everything he can to support the community. He mentioned the Country Blast in the Park on June 15th at Huroc Park. There will also be fireworks in June and September at the Riverfest. He asked if we can have a local vet do the vaccination clinic.

7. **MAYOR PRO COMMENTS:**

Mayor Jonathan Dropiewski spoke about the Miles for Miracles event for Little Lindsay on Saturday and encouraged everyone to attend the event. He reminded residents to slow down and watch out for children when driving and be careful pulling out of your driveway. He thanked the Flat Rock staff for help with the groundbreaking ceremony of the bike trail at Huroc Park.

8. **UNFINISHED BUSINESS:**

Item 8-A- Public Hearing from City Treasurer to hear any objections for the single premise special assessments to be placed on the 2013 tax roll

Resolution 05-06-03

Motion by Gagne
Supported by Martin

RESOLVED, to open the public hearing

Motion carried unanimously

Resolution 05-06-04

Motion by Borden
Supported by Martin

RESOLVED, to close the public hearing

Motion carried unanimously

Resolution 05-06-05

Motion by Martin
Supported by Wrobel

RESOLVED, to approve the special assessments to be placed on the 2013 tax roll

Motion carried unanimously

Item 8-B -City Engineer's bid recommendation for Olmstead Sanitary Pump (opened on April 25, 2013)

Resolution 05-06-06

Motion by Wrobel
Supported by Borden

RESOLVED, to award Duke and Duke Services Inc., for Olmstead sanitary Pump bid

Motion carried unanimously

9. NEW BUSINESS

Item 9-A-Request from the Moslem Shriners to solicit for the Annual Hospital Fund Drive on June 6th, 7th and 8th, 2013

Resolution 05-06-07

Motion by Borden
Supported by Martin

RESOLVED, to approve the request Moslem Shriners to solicit for the Annual Hospital Fund Drive on June 6th, 7th and 8th, 2013

Motion carried unanimously

Item 9-B-Approval of Fireworks for the Country Blast in the Park on June 15, 2013 and Riverfest on September 20, 2013

Resolution 05-06-08

Motion by Gagne
Supported by Borden

RESOLVED, to approve the fireworks for the Country Blast in the Park on June 15, 2013 and Riverfest on September 20, 2013

Item 9-C- Proposal to upgrade BS&A Pervasive Software to BS&A.NET

Resolution 05-06-09

Motion by Dropiewski
Supported by Gagne

RESOLVED, to approve the proposal to upgrade BS&A Pervasive Software to BS&A.NET

Item 9-D-EVIP Part 3 – Employee Compensation Plan

Resolution 05-06-10

Motion by Martin
Supported by Borden

RESOLVED, to approve the EVIP Part 3 – Employee Compensation Plan

Motion carried 5-1 with Wrobel voting no

Item 9-E-Request from the Flat Rock Public Library to place ballot language on the November 2013 ballot to levy of an additional 1 millage

Resolution 05-06-11

Motion by Dropiewski
Supported by Martin

RESOLVED, to TABLE the Flat Rock Public Library to place ballot language on the November 2013 ballot to levy of an additional 1 mill. Mayor will arrange a meeting with the Board to see if we can lower the millage rate and set a time frame

Motion tabled 5-1 with Gagne voting no to table

Item 9-F- Appointment of negotiating Team/Firefighters

Resolution 05-06-12

Motion by Martin
Supported by Wrobel

RESOLVED, to appointment of negotiating Team/Firefighters which will consist of Mayor Dropiewski and Councilman Borden

Motion carried unanimously

Item 9-G- Resolution accepting long term maintenance of storm water management system at Ford Flat Rock Assembly Plant

Resolution 05-06-13

Motion by Martin
Supported by Dropiewski

RESOLVED, to approve long term maintenance of storm water management system at Ford Flat Rock Assembly Plant

Motion carried unanimously

Item 9-H-IGA/repair and reconstruction of Vreeland Road

Resolution 05-06-14

Motion by Dropiewski
Supported by Borden

RESOLVED, to TABLE IGA/repair and reconstruction of Vreeland Road until further information is obtained

Motion carried unanimously

Item 9-I-Expenditure requests from Flat Rock Police Department

Resolution 05-06-15

Motion by Martin
Supported by Borden

RESOLVED, to approve the outfit of the new 2013 Ford Interceptor Patrol Car

Motion carried 5-1 with Wrobel voting no

Resolution 05-06-16

Motion by Wrobel
Supported by Martin

RESOLVED, to approve the purchase of new handguns for the police department

Motion carried unanimously

Resolution 05-06-17

Motion by Martin
Supported by Borden

RESOLVED, to approve the purchase of ammunition

Motion carried unanimously

Item 9-I- Approval of 33rd District Court Annual Audit

Resolution 05-06-18

Motion by Gagne
Supported by Wrobel

RESOLVED, to approve the 33rd District Court Annual Audit

Motion carried unanimously

12. ADJOURNMENT:

Resolution 05-06-19

Motion by Dropiewski
Supported by Borden

RESOLVED, to adjourn the regular City Council meeting of May 6, 2013 at 9:05 P.M.

All voting yes; motion carried unanimously.

JONATHAN DROPIEWSKI, MAYOR

DATE: _____
Approved

MEAGHAN K. ARMSTRONG, CITY CLERK