

**REGULAR COUNCIL PROCEEDINGS**

**CITY OF FLAT ROCK, MICHIGAN**

**MONDAY, JUNE 20, 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, Thomas, and Wrobel

ALSO PRESENT: City Attorney David Grunow, City Clerk Meaghan Bachman, Fire Chief Bill Vack, Police Chief John Leacher, Treasurer Brian Marciniak, and Economic Development Director Liz Hendley, Building Director Larry Dishaw.

**3. APPROVAL OF MINUTES:**

**Resolution 06-20-01**

Motion by Thomas  
Supported by Wrobel

RESOLVED, to approve the minutes of the regular City Council meeting of May 16, 2016 as presented

Motion carried unanimously 7-0

**4. CITIZENS TO BE HEARD:**

None

**5. REPORTS FROM DEPARTMENT HEADS:**

Police Chief, John Leacher, thanks Michigan State Police, Wayne County Sherriff Reserve and Border Patrol Gibraltar Post for their help with the Summer Blast. The Chief also reminds everyone to be safe on the 4<sup>TH</sup> of July, especially with fireworks and went over how the ordinance states fireworks can only be set off the day before, the day of, the day after and that fireworks are not allowed to be set off during the times of 12 midnight to 8:00 a.m.

Fire Chief, Bill Vack, talked about the Summer Blast. He thanked the corporation of Huron Township, the young men and women of Huron Township, and the fire explorers post; they had helped with the obstacle course. He also thanked the people of Flat Rock for their help with Summer Blast as well.

Building Director, Larry Dishaw, stated that the front door should be open in about 2-3 weeks. That the steps are poured and that they look good.

City Clerk, Meaghan Bachman, reminded everyone of the upcoming election. She stated that there are absentee applications available in the clerk's office, if anyone needed an absentee ballot. Garage Sale permits are also available in the Clerk's office, for \$5.00. And she also states that this is her last meeting before she goes on her maternity leave.

City Attorney, David Grunow, stated that there is a grievance in DPS and they need 2 council members to volunteer. Ken Wrobel and Wally Little volunteered.

Councilmen Wally Little says that Larry Dishaw got a meeting setup with the engineer for Huron River Drive, and introduced Larry to come out.

Building Director Larry Dishaw said he has been doing research and given ideas that he wants to talk about with DPS Director Matt Sypes. Make sure that there's not a restrictor anywhere in the system, make sure that storm drains are clean, and hopefully they come up with better ideas, as they come up with that information, they can talk about how to fix it. He also confirmed that he has met with the engineer.

#### **6. REPORTS FROM COUNCIL MEMBERS:**

Council Member John Bergeron said it's good to see Larry Dishaw back. Thanked the Police Chief for all he does around the city. Summer Blast was great and he thanked everyone who came together and helped.

Council Member Jim Martin would like to wish everyone a happy 4<sup>th</sup> of July. He also reminded everyone that Richard Jones's year of death was coming up, and that they should do something for him.

Council Member Ken Wrobel stated that the cold patch in Hawthorne isn't working and stated that something else needed to be done. He and the Mayor talked about some options and the Mayor is in agreement that something needs to be done. They also talked about improving the dirt roads. The roads for the route to schools need to be safer as well.

Council Member Dawn Thomas is very happy with all the businesses that are being opened. Wished everyone a happy 4<sup>th</sup> of July, and reiterated what Police Chief said, and that nobody under the age of 18 should be touching fireworks. Dawn wished the City Clerk a safe and quick delivery.

#### **7. MAYOR'S COMMENTS:**

Mayor Dropiewski stated that the City Clerk, Meaghan Bachman, plans on being gone for a good chunk of time. By charter the council needs to appoint an acting clerk in Meaghan's absence. The Mayor suggested Sue Ashcraft as acting clerk until Meaghan returns. The Mayor also recommends \$21.00/ hour for that duration of time. This motion was carried

The Mayor reminded everyone that the playscape in the community is for children of ages 12 and under.

Mayor Dropiewski pointed out that near the warming building that the splash pad is coming along nicely. The goal is to have it opened the weekend of the 4<sup>th</sup> July.

The Mayor thanked the organizing committee and everyone who helped out with the Summer Blast. He said it was very family orientated; we had breaking crowd records Friday night and a great crowd Saturday night despite the heat. Riverfest will be September 16, 17, and 18.

**8. UNFINISHED BUSINESS:**

None

**9. NEW BUSINESS**

**Item 9-A-Public Hearing (1 of 2)- transfer of CDBG Project Funds from Program Year 2015**

**Resolution 06-20-02**

Motion by Martin  
Supported by Bergeron

RESOLVED, Public Hearing (1 of 2) transfer of CDBG Project Funds from Program Year 2015

Motion carried unanimously 7-0

**Item 9-B-Commission Reappointment and Appointment**

**Resolution 06-20-03**

Motion by Thomas  
Supported by Wrobel

RESOLVED, to approve Commission Reappointment and Appointment

Motion carried unanimously 7-0

**Item 9-C- Flat Rock Downtown Development Authority 2016/2017 Proposed Budget**

**Resolution 06-20-04**

Motion by Martin  
Supported by Thomas

RESOLVED, to approve Flat Rock Downtown Development Authority 2016/2017 Proposed Budget

Motion carried unanimously 6-1 (with Wally Little voting “no”)

**Item 9-D- Payment no. 4- SAW Grant, Cleaning, Televising, Inspecting Sewers- Advanced Underground Inspection, LLC**

**Resolution 06-20-05**

Motion by Martin  
Supported by Wrobel

RESOLVED, to approve Payment no. 4- SAW Grant, Cleaning, Televising, Inspecting Sewers- Advanced Underground Inspection, LLC

Motion carried unanimously 7-0

**Item 9-E- Progress Payment No. 7- Huron Woods Road Reconstruction- G.V. Cement Contracting**

**Resolution 06-20-06**

Motion by Thomas  
Supported by Martin

RESOLVED, to approve Progress Payment No. 7- Huron Woods Road Reconstruction- G.V. Cement Contracting

Motion carried unanimously 7-0

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

None

**11. LATE CORRESPONDENCE:**

None

**12. Closed Session:**

Item A- Labor Negotiations, Clerical Unit

**Resolution 06-20-07**

Motion by Martin  
Supported by Thomas

RESOLVED, to convene into closed session at to discuss Labor Negotiations, Clerical Unit

Motion carried unanimously

**Resolution 06-20-08**

Motion by Martin

Supported by Thomas

RESOLVED, to reconvene into open session

Motion carried unanimously

13. **ADJOURNMENT:**

**Resolution 06-20-09**

Motion by Martin

Supported by Thomas

RESOLVED, to adjourn the regular City Council meeting of June 20, 2016 at 9:06 PM

All voting yes; motion carried unanimously 7-0

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**JONATHAN DROPIEWSKI, MAYOR**

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

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**MEAGHAN K. BACHMAN, CITY CLERK**