

## **REGULAR COUNCIL PROCEEDINGS**

### **CITY OF FLAT ROCK, MICHIGAN**

**MONDAY, JULY 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, Wrobel, Gagne and Moore

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

**3. APPROVAL OF MINUTES:**

**Resolution 07-01-01**

Motion by Wrobel  
Supported by Borden

RESOLVED, to approve the minutes of the regular City Council meeting of June 17, 2013 and the special council meeting of June 18, 2013

Motion carried unanimously

**4. CITIZENS TO BE HEARD:**

Resident Nina McLain announced a home on Vreeland that has trees down after the bad storm and asked the status of the cleanup.

Resident Susan at 24857 Parkland Drive thanked the Flat Rock Police Department for their assistance when they came to her house on several occasions due to a medical condition.

Resident Steven Lopez inquired about the emergence sirens that should go off during bad weather.

**5. REPORTS FROM DEPARTMENT HEADS:**

Fire Chief Bill Vack updated the council on the hiring process of the full time firefighter position. The applicant is currently in the process of the background check and physicals. Councilman Wrobel asked why the city isn't hiring a Flat Rock resident or a current part-time firefighter. Councilman Borden asked the same questions as Councilman Wrobel. Councilman Borden proposed a resolution that we hire a current employee for this position. Grunow cited the charter state the department head hires and fires employees. Mayor Dropiewski noted we trust our department head decisions to hire employees and suggested the council meet with Chief Vack to discuss his decision.

Police Chief Rossow discussed the traffic study for Arsenal and Vreeland Road to use a four way stop sign. He said the study suggested the study does not meet the requirements for a stop

sign under the MUTCD. Chief Rossow noted this may change when Meijer is built. DPS Director Bruce Hammond had a review done of the 2013 traffic study and noted the review found the same conclusions as the Police Chief's study. They did find some additional concerns if the geometry changes.

**6. REPORTS FROM COUNCIL MEMBERS:**

Councilman Paul Gagne announced he will not be running for re-election in November 2013.

Councilman Ken Wrobel asked about the demolition of the house on Van Riper. Chief Vack gave an update on working with the lender and HUD

Councilman Jim Martin inquired about the flooding on Gibraltar Road and I-75. Noted the lanes were flooded and the catch basins need cleaning.

**7. MAYOR COMMENTS:**

Mayor Jonathan Dropiewski congratulated the Flat Rock Little League on their successful season and noted the team is growing and thriving.

**8. UNFINISHED BUSINESS:**

**Item 8-A-2nd reading of Meijer PUD ordinance**

**Resolution 07-01-02**

Motion by Gagne  
Supported by Martin

RESOLVED, to waive the 2<sup>nd</sup> reading of the Meijer PUD ordinance

Motion carried 6-1 with Moore voting no

**Approval to adopt the Meijer PUD ordinance**

**Resolution 07-01-03**

Motion by Dropiewski  
Supported by Martin

RESOLVED, to adopt the Meijer PUD ordinance and authorize the Mayor and Clerk to sign the PUD agreement.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, to add to Phase 1 to extend water main from the existing water main on Emma Ave. along the northern line of site to Boulder and Stoneway Drive existing water mains and loop the water connections as depicted in the Phase 1 plan, Sheet SP-2A of the PDP.

Motion carried 6-1 with Moore voting no

Mayor Dropiewski allowed for public comment regarding the adoption of the Meijer PUD ordinance. Several comments were made and questions asked from residents and city council members opposing and supporting the proposed Meijer site and rezoning.

The following residents spoke regarding the proposed Meijer:

Resident at 27280 Arsenal, resident at 26101 Rockridge, resident at 27107 Arsenal, resident at 24438 Laurel, resident at 29057 Mill, resident at 30165 Apple Grove way, resident at 26139

Ypsilanti, resident Arlen Fadley, resident at 26318 E. Huron River Drive, resident at 26876 Blue Heron Drive, resident Phillip on Emma Avenue, resident at 25316 Hunter Lane, resident at 24857 Parklane, resident at 26469 Hawthorne, resident Dave McGee, resident at 26613 Rose, resident at 25106 Vreeland, resident Joann Beard, resident at 27379 Arsenal, resident at 26853 Hawthorne, resident at 26684 Arcadia Drive.

Comments by individual Councilmembers and the Mayor were made regarding their thoughts on Meijer and how they determined their voting decisions.

**Resolution 07-01-04**

Motion by Moore  
Supported by

RESOLVED, to amend the original motion to vote on the Meijer items individually with the first motion to change the location of the proposed Meijer site

Motion *failed* due to lack of support

**Resolution 07-01-05**

Motion by Moore  
Supported by

RESOLVED, to limit the hours of operation of Meijer

Motion *failed* due to lack of support

**Resolution 07-01-06**

Motion by Moore  
Supported by Wilkins

RESOLVED, to request the elimination of the gas station

Motion *failed* 2-5 with Dropiewski, Martin, Borden, Wrobel and Gagne voting no

**Resolution 07-01-07**

Motion by Moore  
Supported by Wilkins

RESOLVED, to eliminate any truck deliveries to Meijer between the hours of 11:00 P.M. – 6:00 A.M.

Motion *failed* 2-5 with Dropiewski, Martin, Borden, Wrobel and Gagne voting no

**9. NEW BUSINESS**

**Item 9-A- Emergency fireworks ordinance**

**Resolution 07-01-08**

Motion by Martin  
Supported by Dropiewski

RESOLVED, to approve the emergency fireworks ordinance number 423

Motion carried unanimously

**CLOSED SESSION**

**Item A - Convene into closed session to discuss labor negotiations at 9:50 P.M.**

**Resolution 07-01-09**

Motion by Dropiewski  
Supported by Moore

RESOLVED, to convene into closed session to discuss labor negotiations at 9:50 P.M.

Motion carried unanimously

**Resolution 07-01-10**

Motion by Dropiewski  
Supported by Borden

RESOLVED, to reconvene into the regular City Council meeting

Motion carried unanimously

**11. CORRESPONDENCE:**

NONE

**12. ADJOURNMENT:**

**Resolution 07-01-11**

Motion by Martin  
Supported by Borden

RESOLVED, to adjourn the regular City Council meeting of July 1, 2013 at 10:15 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**