

## **REGULAR COUNCIL PROCEEDINGS**

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

**MONDAY, JULY 21, 2014**

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, Councilmembers: Beller, Bergeron, Martin, Tefend, Thomas and Wrobel

ALSO PRESENT: Fire Chief Bill Vack, Interim Police Chief Jeff Metz, Department of Public Service Director Matt Sype, Building Director Bernie Ciupak, Recreation Director Joann Pawlukiewicz, Treasurer Brian Marciniak, Economic Development Director Liz Hendley, Attorney David Grunow and Clerk Meaghan Bachman

**3. APPROVAL OF MINUTES:**

**Resolution 07-21-01**

Motion by Martin  
Supported by Wrobel

RESOLVED, to approve the minutes of the regular City Council meeting of July 7, 2014 as presented

Motion carried unanimously

**4. CITIZENS TO BE HEARD:**

Resident Ronda Sanders spoke of concerns regarding the future Meijer property and flood zones.

Sue Farrar of the Beautification Commission announced the fall City Wide Garage Sale. It will take place on September 6<sup>th</sup> & 7<sup>th</sup>, 2014. Mrs. Farrar announced the 1<sup>st</sup> annual Halloween home decorating contest.

**5. REPORTS FROM DEPARTMENT HEADS:**

Interim Police Chief Jeff Metz updated the council new hire, Officer Vespremi. He updated the council on the hiring process of two new police officers. Chief Metz reminded residents of the tip line and animal shelter phone numbers. Chief Metz reminded residents to obey the speed limits and traffic laws.

Economic Development Director Liz Hendley thanked Fire Chief Vack for a tour of the city and noted what a great job he did. She noted he is a great asset to the city.

Fire Chief Bill Vack updated the older 1998 ambulance is at the repair shop and should be fixed within 1 ½ -2 weeks. He announced testing for physical agility will take place on August 14, 2014 and 8 applicants have been invited to participate. Chief Vack noted bids are being reviewed for the new ambulance and should have a quote for approval by the 2<sup>nd</sup> meeting is August.

City Clerk Meaghan Bachman reminded residents absentee voter applications are available and ballots are available for the August 5, 2014 State Primary Election. She spoke of various election related information.

**6. REPORTS FROM COUNCIL MEMBERS:**

Councilwoman Dawn Thomas wished a Happy 14<sup>th</sup> Birthday to her daughter.

Councilman John Bergeron noted what a great job Alex Hassell did on the playscape for his Eagle Scout project.

Councilman Jim Martin asked if the manhole in front of Auto Alliance (Ford Motor Company) can be reported to Wayne County because the manhole is caved in.

Councilman Ken Wrobel reminded residents that Proposal 1 regarding personal property tax is on the ballot August 5, 2014 and asked residents to consider how it will hurt cities like Flat Rock if proposal is passed.

Councilman Rick Tefend noted the tan utility box at the baseball field parking lot has graffiti on it. He asked if this could be looked into.

**7. MAYOR'S COMMENTS:**

Mayor Dropiewski updated council on the interview process for Police Chief. He noted resumes will be passed along to councilmembers.

Mayor Dropiewski noted he received an estimate from the City Engineer on some critical roads in town (Aspen, Huron Woods) and is meeting with the bond company to discuss options.

Mayor Dropiewski noted a boiler is needed for City Hall. He noted different options to finance or bond will be looked at.

**8. UNFINISHED BUSINESS:**

NONE

**9. NEW BUSINESS**

**Item 9-A- Mayoral commission appointments**

**Resolution 07-21-02**

Motion by Dropiewski  
Supported by Thomas

RESOLVED, to appoint the following commission member to the said commission:

- Election Commission                      Joanne Beard                      12.31.2016

Motion carried unanimously

**Item 9-B-Annual resolution electing medical benefit plan coverage**

**Resolution 07-21-03**

Motion by Martin  
Supported by Bergeron

RESOLVED, to approve the annual resolution electing medical benefit plan coverage, the city elects to pay not more than eighty percent (80%) of the total annual cost of all medical benefit plans as defined in Public Act 152 and requires the employees to pay twenty percent (20%) of the total annual cost of that plan as defined by the Act.

Motion carried 6-1 with Wrobel voting no

**Item 9-C-Progress payment No. 2 for sanitary and storm sewer replacement along the alley between US24 & Arsenal Road**

**Resolution 07-21-04**

Motion by Thomas  
Supported by Martin

RESOLVED, to approve progress payment No. 2 for sanitary and storm sewer replacement along the alley between US24 & Arsenal Road in the amount of \$97,024.91

Motion carried unanimously

**Item 9-D- Lease of floor scrubbing machine**

**Resolution 07-21-05**

Motion by Martin  
Supported by Beller

Discussion: after discussion of the cost of leasing vs. purchasing, it was decided to purchase the floor scrubbing machine

RESOLVED, to purchase an Advance SC1500 stand up riding floor-scrubbing machine from MIDeal or HGACBuy, whichever company has the lowest purchase price

Motion carried unanimously

**Item 9-E- Extend catering contract with Park Place through December 31, 2015**

**Resolution 07-21-06**

Motion by Martin  
Supported by Wrobel

RESOLVED, to extend the catering contract with Park Place through December 31, 2015, the terms of the contract remain the same with the only change being the date, December 31, 2015

Motion carried unanimously

**Item 9-F- Police interceptor vehicle purchase**

**Resolution 07-21-07**

Motion by Thomas  
Supported by Martin

Discussion: Councilmembers discussed options included with or without the vehicle purchase

RESOLVED, to approve purchase of a 2015 AWD SUV Ford Police Explorer with police interceptor package in the amount of \$27,736.01

Motion carried unanimously

**CLOSED SESSION**

**Item A - Convene into closed session to discuss fire department labor negotiations**

**Resolution 07-21-08**

Motion by Martin  
Supported by Bergeron

RESOLVED, to convene into closed session to discuss fire department labor negotiations

Motion carried unanimously

**Resolution 07-21-09**

Motion by Wrobel  
Supported by Tefend

RESOLVED, to reconvene into the regular City Council meeting

Motion carried unanimously

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

NONE

**11. CORRESPONDENCE:**

NONE

**12. ADJOURNMENT:**

**Resolution 07-21-10**

Motion by Wrobel  
Supported by Tefend

RESOLVED, to adjourn the regular City Council meeting of July 21, 2014 at 8:54 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**