

REGULAR COUNCIL PROCEEDINGS

CITY OF FLAT ROCK, MICHIGAN

MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 21, 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, Tefend, Thomas, and Wrobel

ALSO PRESENT: City Clerk Meaghan Bachman, Fire Chief Bill Vack, Police Chief John Leacher, Department of Public Service Director Matt Sype, Recreation Director Rodney Wade, Economic Development Director Liz Hendley, Building Director Larry Dishaw, City Attorney David Grunow

3. APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

Resolution 09-21-01

Motion by Wrobel
Supported by Tefend

RESOLVED, to approve the minutes of the regular City Council meeting of September 8, 2015 as presented

Motion carried unanimously

4. CITIZENS TO BE HEARD:

Sue Farrar, Chairman of the Beautification Commission spoke of the 6th City Wide Garage Sale and noted 100 permits were sold and 3 PODS were filled. Mrs. Farrar presented the following with certificates of appreciation: Larry Griffin (St. Vincent DePaul Director), Heather Farrar, Terry Farrar, Sergeant Tony Korody, Chief John Leacher, Sue Ashcraft and Meaghan Bachman. Mayor Dropiewski presented a certificate of appreciation to Sue Farrar for her outstanding and dedicated service to the City. Sue spoke of the Beautification Commission Meeting at the Flat Rock Community Center and noted 19 communities attended. She thanked Jann Stahr and Rodney Wade for their assistance with the event. She also thanked Mayor Dropiewski, Clerk Meaghan Bachman, Fire Chief Vack and Police Chief Leacher for attending and Anita Twardesky for speaking at the event. She also thanked the Historical Commission for giving tours of the village after the event. Sue Farrar announced the Beautification Commission is selling ornaments at the Treasurer's office for \$15.00 each.

5. REPORTS FROM DEPARTMENT HEADS:

Fire Chief Bill Vack announced the flag that was raffled off at Riverfest generated \$617.00 in ticket sales and will benefit the Fire Prevention Programs. He noted the flag is made from fire

hoses and the winner was Clint Frost. Chief Vack also noted \$234.00 was generated at Riverfest from the obstacle course.

Economic Development Director Liz Hendley spoke of the Zagster bike sharing program and announced the bikes will be installed on Tuesday, September 22, 2015. She introduced Kathy White from Community Choice Credit Union, who is sponsoring the program and Dana Allender from Zagster. Both expressed their excitement to partner with Flat Rock. Dana thanked Liz and Kathy for making Zagster in Flat Rock possible.

City Clerk Meaghan Bachman spoke of the upcoming November 3, 2015 General Election. She announced Absentee Voter Ballots will be mailed out the week of September 28th and explained how to receive an Absentee Voter Ballot. She also noted the last day to register to vote for the Election is October 5, 2015.

6. REPORTS FROM COUNCIL MEMBERS:

Council Member Dawn Thomas congratulated the JV Football team for winning all games this season. She thanked everyone who reached out to her regarding her son who broke his ankle during a Flat Rock Football Game.

Council Member John Bergeron thanked all who participated in Riverfest. He noted that it is a great festival.

Council Member Jim Martin noted Riverfest was a lot of work from everyone involved and thanked all for their help. He noted Gary Borden and Richard Jones must have sent help from above with the great weather Riverfest had.

Council Member Ken Wrobel spoke of the CWGS and thanked all. Council Member Wrobel noted he took a tour of the Animal Shelter at Riverfest and is very impressed with Katt Stock and the work she does at the Shelter and to maintain it. He asked the DPS Director what the City can do about the bike path's condition and noted it needs to be fixed; Mayor Dropiewski noted a sealing project is covered by a grant. Council Member Wrobel noted he spent a lot of time at Riverfest and thanked all the department heads for the time they put into the festival. Council Member Wrobel later added that residents have thanked him for repairing the roads around town, he noted this is the 1st time residents have thanked him for the construction.

7. MAYOR'S COMMENTS:

Mayor Dropiewski spoke of Riverfest weekend, and thanked all for a successful event for Flat Rock's 50th Anniversary. The Mayor noted thanked the DPS for keeping the park in shape, the Recreation Center and Information Booth, Clerk's Office, Police and Fire Department. He also thanked the Riverfest Committee and all who attended.

The Mayor spoke of the time capsule that will be constructed this fall for the 50th Anniversary. The Mayor noted it will be opened on the 100th Anniversary. He noted if anyone has ideas on what to include, to notify him.

Mayor Dropiewski noted the construction in the City Hall parking lot. He said the front will be closed for replacement of the steps and the entrance will be in the back of City Hall while the construction takes place. A concrete path will lead around the back of the building to enter. He noted signs will be posted and if you need assistance to visit City Hall, call the Clerk's Office. The Mayor noted the City Hall boiler project will be complete soon.

8. UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

None

9. NEW BUSINESS

Item 9-A-Michigan Municipal League 2015-2016 Membership Renewal Invoice

Resolution 09-21-02

Motion by Martin
Supported by Beller

RESOLVED, to approve the Michigan Municipal League 2015-2016 Membership Renewal Invoice in the amount of \$4,627.00

Motion carried unanimously

Item 9-B-Michigan Main Street Program – Associate Level Participation

Resolution 09-21-03

Motion by Martin
Supported by Thomas

RESOLVED, Whereas, Downtown is vital to our community's identify and quality of life;

Whereas, It is the City's intent to reverse the historic trend which has led to the loss of population, jobs and businesses in the Downtown district; and to work on the continued improvement, revitalization and development of the community by improving pedestrian access and enhancing the areas aesthetics; and

Whereas, The Michigan Main Street Center @ MSHDA, formed in 2003, provides consulting services to up to three communities that commit to the Main Street Four Point Approach (Design, Organization, Promotion and Economic restructuring) to strengthen commercial activity and improve buildings in a community's Downtown; and

Whereas, The Main Street Approach to Downtown revitalization has generated community-wide interest and support; and

Whereas, The City of Flat Rock is interested in continuing the partnership with the Michigan Main Street for the year 2016; and

Now, Therefore be it Resolved as follows:

1. The City of Flat Rock and its Local Main Street Program agree to these minimum participation standards set forth by the MMSC @ MSHDA including submitting biannual reports to the MS Program and participation at required trainings and services.
2. The City of Flat Rock and its Local Main Street Program agree to participate as an Associate Main Street member with the intention of applying to become Select Main Street member in the future.

Motion carried unanimously

Item 9-C-Change Order Consideration for Red Cedar Paving

Resolution 09-21-04

Motion by Thomas
Supported by Beller

RESOLVED, to approve the Change Order Consideration for Red Cedar Paving in the amount of approximately \$148,000 to the current Huron Woods paving contract; the scope of work includes removal of existing concrete pavement, installation of edge drains, placement of aggregate base and placing new concrete

Motion carried unanimously

Item 9-D-Change Order for Boiler Replacement Project

Resolution 09-21-05

Motion by Thomas
Supported by Wrobel

RESOLVED, to approve the Change Order for Boiler Replacement Project in the amount of \$12,125.00; the scope of work includes, furnish and install one additional new Bell & Gossett pump, install new pump motor starter and wiring, piping, valve additions, EPO controls and wiring for two boilers with emergency palm buttons at two exits

Motion carried unanimously

Item 9-E-Payment No. 1 - Boiler Replacement Project – Mechanical Services LLC.

Resolution 09-21-06

Motion by Martin
Supported by Bergeron

RESOLVED, to approve Payment No. 1 - Boiler Replacement Project to Mechanical Services LLC., in the amount of \$74,090.00

Motion carried unanimously

Item 9-F-Payment No. 1 – 2015 Pavement Joint & Crack Sealing – Carr’s Outdoor Services, Inc.

Resolution 09-21-07

Motion by Thomas
Supported by Martin

RESOLVED, to approve Payment No. 1 – 2015 Pavement Joint & Crack Sealing to Carr’s Outdoor Services, Inc. in the amount of \$50,342.00

Motion carried unanimously

Item 9-G-Payment No. 4 – Division Street Sanitary Sewer and Road Reconstruction – Lake Michigan Site Development

Resolution 09-21-08

Motion by Martin
Supported by Wrobel

RESOLVED, to approve Payment No. 4 – Division Street Sanitary Sewer and Road Reconstruction to Lake Michigan Site Development in the amount of \$116,280.43

Motion carried unanimously

10. CITIZENS TO BE HEARD (ADDITIONAL COMMENTS):

NONE

11. LATE CORRESPONDENCE:

Item 11-A-Flat Rock High School Homecoming Parade – Friday, October 2, 2015 from 5:00 – 6:00 PM

Resolution 09-21-09

Motion by Dropiewski
Supported by Bergeron

RESOLVED, to approve the Flat Rock High School Homecoming Parade – Friday, October 2, 2015 from 5:00 – 6:00 PM

Motion carried unanimously

12. ADJOURNMENT:

Resolution 09-21-10

Motion by Martin
Supported by Beller

RESOLVED, to adjourn the regular City Council meeting of September 21, 2015 at 8:01 PM

All voting yes; motion carried unanimously

JONATHAN DROPIEWSKI, MAYOR

DATE: _____
Approved

MEAGHAN K. BACHMAN, CITY CLERK