The regular meeting of the Flat Rock City Council convened on the above date and time via Zoom, an electronic video conferencing tool due to the National Pandemic of the COVID-19 Novel Coronavirus that has spread throughout the world.

1. **PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

2. **ROLL CALL OF COUNCIL MEMBERS:**

   **PRESENT ELECTED OFFICIALS:**
   
   PRESENT: Mayor Hammond  
   Council Members: Bergeron, Martin, Maul, Pardo, Wrobel  
   
   ABSENT: Council Member: Tefend *Arrived late – did not vote on budget*

   ALSO, PRESENT: City Attorney Matthew Zick, City Clerk Meaghan Bachman, Chief of Police Glen Hoffman, Economic Development Director Liz Hendley, Recreation Director Rodney Wade, Treasurer Joanne Beard, DPS Director Justin Danosky.

   **Resolution 06-01-20-01**

   Motion by Martin  
   Supported by Bergeron  

   RESOLVED, that Flat Rock City Council hereby excuses Council Member Tefend as absent at the regular City Council meeting of June 1, 2020.

   Motion carried unanimously 6-0

3. **APPROVAL OF MINUTES:**

   **Resolution 06-01-20-02**

   Motion by Wrobel  
   Supported by Martin  

   RESOLVED, to approve the minutes of the regular City Council meeting of May 18, 2020 as presented.

   Motion carried unanimously 6-0
4. **CITIZENS TO BE HEARD:**

   Flat Rock Community Schools Superintendent, Andrew Brodie thanked the City of Flat Rock for their support of the schools and the graduating Senior Class. He also spoke of the Senior graduation ceremony taking place on June 4, 2020.

5. **REPORTS FROM DEPARTMENT HEADS:**

   City Clerk Meaghan Bachman spoke of her upcoming maternity leave. She thanked the Mayor, Council, Department Heads, and her colleagues for their support in allowing her to work from home during the COVID-19 pandemic.

   Police Chief Glen Hoffman stated that Lila Fedokovitz asked if the City could post the Malicious Destruction of Property in a Cemetery Ordinance at the cemetery. The Mayor said he thinks that is a good idea and told the Police Chief to do what he needs to do to make that happen.

   Economic Development Director Liz Hendley talked about the new Shop Local program by DDA and Flat Rock Our Hometown. When customers shop at local businesses and spend more than $10.00, they can turn in their receipt to the DDA for the opportunity to win gift cards to local businesses. The first drawing is on Friday, June 5, 2020.

   Recreation Director Rodney Wade gave an update on the monthly food commodity program and thanked everyone who helped and donated to the program.

   Treasurer Joanne Beard noted that City Hall reopened today to the public by appointment only. Joanne also gave an update on Animal Licenses. The Mayor asked if there was any interest in extending the deadline to purchase an Animal License for $7.00 – there was none.

6. **REPORTS FROM COUNCIL MEMBERS:**

   Council Member Martin stated he was looking forward to the events taking place this week at the High School.

   Council Member Bergeron congratulated Superintendent Brodie and his staff for their work during stressful circumstances at the schools, and he also congratulated the High School Seniors on their graduation. He wished the best of luck to Clerk Bachman and her family. Council Member Bergeron noted to Chief Hoffman that since Woodruff has been chipsealed, there has been vehicles speeding and asked if the street could be patrolled.

   Council Member Maul congratulated the Senior Class on their graduation. He also complimented Liz on the signs that were hung around the City for the graduating class.

   Council Member Pardo congratulated the Senior Class on their graduation. She also expressed her excitement for the Shop Local program. Council Member Pardo wished good luck to Clerk Bachman.

   Council Member Wrobel congratulated the Senior Class on their graduation.
7. **MAYOR COMMENTS:**

Mayor Hammond spoke of an active large fire at the Auto Pallets business on Cooke St. near Telegraph. He explained that Fire Chief Jim Katona and Building Director Andy Miller were absent from the meeting because they were on the scene of the fire.

Mayor Hammond spoke about the reopening of City Hall to the public by appointment, as well as how City Hall has been set up to protect staff and the public. He noted that in order to continue opening City buildings, the City will continue to keep an eye on the number of COVID cases.

8. **UNFINISHED BUSINESS:**

**Item 8-A-Fiscal Year 2020/2021 Budget**

**Resolution 06-01-20-03**

Motion by Bergeron  
Supported by Wrobel

RESOLVED, to accept the proposed 2020-2021 Fiscal Year Budget millage rates as presented.

- General Operations – 16 mils  
- Police and Fire – 1.75 mils  
- Historical – 0.25 mils  
- Road and Street – 1 mill  
  - Total General Operating 19.00  
- Library – 0.9879 mils

Motion carried unanimously 6-0

**Resolution 06-01-20-04**

Motion by Martin  
Supported by Wrobel

RESOLVED, to accept the proposed 2020-2021 Fiscal Year Budget as presented.

Roll Call Vote:  
Yes Approve:  Hammond*  
Martin  
Wrobel

No Against:  Bergeron  
Maul  
Pardo
AMENDMENT - It shall be noted, the reason why Council Members Bergeron and Pardo voted “no”, was due to concerns about the fund balance of the budget going under/below 10% or $970,000.00 at any time.

Motion failed 3-3

**Resolution 06-01-20-05**

Motion by Wrobel
Supported by Pardo

RESOLVED, to accept the proposed 2020-2021 Fiscal Year Budget as presented, with the understanding that the fund balance will not go under/below 10% or $970,000.00 at any time.

Roll Call Vote:
Yes Approve: Hammond
Bergeron*
Martin
Pardo
Wrobel

No Against: Maul

Motion carried 5-1

9. **NEW BUSINESS**

**Item 9-A-Street Closure - Seneca and Evergreen Street to close between High School Boulevard and Sheeks during the June 4, 2020 Flat Rock Community High School Graduation Ceremony**

**Resolution 06-01-20-06**

Motion by Martin
Supported by Bergeron

RESOLVED, to approve the request to close Seneca and Evergreen Streets between High School Boulevard and Sheeks during the June 4, 2020 Flat Rock Community High School Graduation Ceremony.

Motion carried unanimously 6-0

**Item 9-B-Mayoral Re-appointments – Downtown Development Authority**

**Resolution 06-01-20-07**

Motion by Martin
Supported by Maul

RESOLVED, to approve the appointments of Tracy Cooper, Michael Crowder, and Diane Parker to the Downtown Development Authority with terms expiring on June 13, 2024.

Motion carried unanimously 6-0

**Item 9-C- Mayoral Appointment – Acting City Clerk**

[Resolution 06-01-20-08]

Motion by Pardo
Supported by Maul

RESOLVED, to approve the appointment of Katie Tomasik as Acting City Clerk during Clerk Meaghan Bachman’s maternity leave, with compensation in the amount of $3.50 per hour over and above her regular rate.

Motion carried unanimously 6-0

***Council Member Tefend entered the meeting at 9:07 p.m.***

**Item 9-D- Michigan Municipal League Workers Comp Fund Annual Policy Renewal**

[Resolution 06-01-20-09]

Motion by Martin
Supported by Bergeron

RESOLVED, to approve the Michigan Municipal League Workers’ Compensation coverage renewal for the period July 1, 2020 to June 30, 2021, in the amount of $14,285.00.

Motion carried unanimously 7-0

**Item 9-E- 33rd Judicial District Court Annual Financial Report for the Year Ending December 31, 2019**

[Resolution 06-01-20-10]

Motion by Martin
Supported by Wrobel

RESOLVED, to approve the 33rd District Court Annual Financial Report for the year ending December 31, 2019.

Motion carried unanimously 7-0
Item 9-F- Authorization to Increase Water Rates and Sewer for 2020-2021

**Resolution 06-01-20-11**

Motion by Wrobel
Supported by Bergeron

RESOLVED, to set the water rates for the 2020-2021 Fiscal Year Budget as follows, increased by $1.50 for all classifications:

- **WITHIN THE CITY:**
  - Residential $10.50 per 1000 gallons metered
  - Non-Residential $10.81 per 1000 gallons metered
  - Commercial $12.00 per 1000 gallons metered
  - Industrial $12.50 per 1000 gallons metered

- **OUTSIDE OF THE CITY** (per 1000 Gallons)
  - Water Only $7.50
  - Water & Sewer $10.56

- **MINIMUM USAGE BILLED:** 10,000 Gallons (not applicable to residents 65 and older)

FURTHER RESOLVED, the sewer debt charge will be removed, and the meter charge will be increased to $7.00.

Roll Call Vote:
Yes Approve: Hammond
Bergeron
Martin*
Pardo
Tefend
Wrobel

No Against: Maul

Motion carried 6-1

Item 9-G- Continuation to Participate in the Michigan Economic Development Corporation’s (MEDC) Redevelopment Ready Communities (RRC) Program

**Resolution 06-01-20-12**

Motion by Maul
Supported by Martin

RESOLVED, to authorize the City of Flat Rock to continue to participate in the Michigan Economic Development Corporation’s (MEDC) Redevelopment Ready Communities (RRC) program.

Motion carried unanimously 7-0
10. **CITIZENS TO BE HEARD:**
   Resident Pat Sell spoke about the minimum usage bill of 10,000 gallons. She also asked about the possibility of getting a two-person membership rate for the Recreation Center.

11. **LATE CORRESPONDENCE:**
    None

12. **ADJOURNMENT:**

   **Resolution 06-11-20-13**

   Motion by Martin
   Supported by Wrobel

   RESOLVED, to adjourn the regular City Council meeting of June 1, 2020 at 9:40 PM.

   Motion carried unanimously 7-0

   

   MARK A. HAMMOND, MAYOR

   

   KATIE TOMASIK, ACTING CITY CLERK

   

   Approved as presented at the June 15, 2020 Regular City Council Meeting