

A Worksession of the City Council was held at City Hall, 200 S. Main Street, on Monday, August 20, 2018, at 5:00 p.m.

Present were Mayor Malewski and Councilpersons Harri, Burke, Wichman and Colestock. None were absent.

Administrative Staff Present were City Manager Aaron Desentz, Police Chief Larry Weeks, Fire Chief Roger McNutt, Building Official LeRoy Hummel and City Clerk Kristy Reinecke.

Purpose of the meeting was a worksession. Notice of the meeting was duly given.

Councilwoman Colestock moved the Agenda be Amended to add Item 3., under New Business, Parks Discussion; seconded by Councilman Wichman, passed unanimously.

Public Comments:

None.

New Business Topics of Discussion were:

Fire Chief McNutt reviewed with Council the five new sets of gear that he is recommending to be purchased at the Department which is a Budgeted Item. Council thanked Fire Chief McNutt for the review and agreed to move ahead with the purchase.

City Manager Desentz reviewed with Council the drainage issue that is happening at 415 King Street. City Manager Desentz reviewed with Council that there were several different options that could be taken to address the situation. Councilwoman Colestock moved that Council authorize City Manager Desentz to pursue a Special Assessment for a Storm Drain in this area; seconded by Councilman Harri, passed unanimously. After further discussion, Councilwoman Colestock amended her motion to have City Manager Desentz send a letter to the property owner and have them petition the neighborhood to have them present a Special Assessment request to the City Council; seconded by Councilman Harri, passed unanimously.

Councilwoman Colestock reviewed with Council her concerns regarding the renting of City pavilions and the confusion that has happened the past couple of weekends with the rentals and how to move forward. City Manager Desentz stated that the procedure has been reviewed at City Hall and City Hall staff will now be contacting DPW personnel with the rentals so that the facilities can be made ready. City Manager Desentz also stated that a contact number will be posted at all City facility locations so that citizens can reach City personnel with issues that arise over the weekend. Council thanked City Manager Desentz for the review.

Old Business:

Councilman Harri moved for Second Reading and Adoption Ordinance 2018-3, an Ordinance to Amend Section 20-1 of Article I of Chapter 20, House Trailers, House Cars, Busses, Converted Busses, or Boats, Restrictions, of the Codified Ordinances of the City of Eaton Rapids, to Allow for the Parking of House Trailers, House Cars, Busses, Converted Busses, or Boats by Permit.

Second Reading and Adoption of Ordinance 2018-4, an Ordinance to Amend Section 16-7 of Article I of Chapter 16, City Parks, Hours Open to the Public, of the Codified Ordinances of the City of Eaton Rapids to allow for Modified Hours by Permit.

Second Reading and Adoption of Ordinance 2018-5, an Ordinance to Amend Section 15-26, of Article II of Chapter 16, Loud Noises Prohibited, of the Codified Ordinances of the City of Eaton Rapids to allow for an Exemption by Permit; seconded by Councilwoman Colestock, passed unanimously by roll call vote.

City Manager Desentz reviewed with Council the DDA's decision to hold off on allowing Food Trucks to be parked on the lot that they own on Hall Street until the Michigan Main Street Program is on board and up and running. After a lengthy discussion it was the consensus of the Council to have City Manager Desentz approach the Food Truck that is located at Mill Pointe Park to see what their intent is after the October 15th Lease date is up. City Manager Desentz will report back to Council at the next worksession.

Mayor Malewski reviewed with Council the letter that had been received by City Attorney Staran regarding the sale of bricks to the public. Council agreed to start selling the bricks at \$1.00 each and sell up to 20,000 bricks with the monies to be designated as Park Fund Revenue.

William Bruce, 515 S. Main Street, appeared before Council with his request for a Special Event to be held during the Eaton Rapids Air Event. Mr. Bruce stated that he would like to hold a bike ride and at this point is anticipating 150 to 200 participants. Council thanked Mr. Bruce for the review. This item will appear on the August 27th Agenda for Council consideration.

City Manager Desentz reviewed with Council Chapter 7 of the Council Rules and Procedures. Council thanked City Manager Desentz for the review.

Public Comments:

None.

Reports:

City Manager Desentz reviewed with Council the transfer of property that needs to happen between the City and Hamlin Township for a portion of property that the City owns in Rosehill Cemetery that had never been deeded to the City. City Manager Desentz reviewed with Council the City Attorney's opinion on how to proceed with the exchange. This item will appear on the August 27th Agenda for Council consideration.

City Manager Desentz reviewed with Council the donation that the City was giving to the Teen Center for a Utility Credit on their account at Union Street Schools. Mayor Malewski and Councilman Burke stated that this had been talked about in the Budget Committee and when the final document had been prepared had been an oversight as it was supposed to be the same amount that was being given to the Senior Center. It was the consensus of Council to proceed with the intended amount of \$6,000.00.

Police Chief Weeks reviewed with Council the two surveillance cameras that needed to be placed at various locations. Police Chief Weeks stated that originally the cameras were to be placed at Howe Field, but with the skate park and basketball courts being moved, that it was his proposal that one camera be placed at Howe Field and that the other camera be placed at the Outdoor Recreation Center. Council agreed that this would be good placements for the cameras and instructed Police Chief Weeks to move forward with the locations.

Councilman Wichman asked if Council could have a discussion at the next Worksession regarding Code Enforcement and Property Maintenance Issues. Council agreed that this was an item that needed to be reviewed. This item will appear on the September 4th Worksession.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:48 p.m.

Paul O. Malewski, Mayor

Kristy Reinecke, City Clerk