

March 25, 2019

Worksession

A Worksession of the City Council was held at City Hall, 200 S. Main Street, on Monday, March 25, 2019 at 5:00 p.m.

Present were Mayor Malewski and Councilpersons Burke, Harri, and Colestock. Councilman Wichman was absent and excused.

Administrative Staff Present were City Manager Desentz, Police Chief Weeks, Quality of Life Director Zeller, Assistant Fire Chief Perry, and Clerk Boomer.

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

Public Comments: None

Councilman Burke moved to add the appointment of Daniel Wiles to the Quality of Life Board to the agenda under new business; seconded by Councilman Harri, passed unanimously.

Councilman Burke moved to add water plant motor replacement to the agenda under new business; seconded by Councilwoman Colestock, passed unanimously.

New Business Topics of Discussion were:

Quality of Life Director Zeller presented an Arts Council project request to install a chalkboard wall along the ally side of the Old Mill Furniture building. The Quality of Life Board recommended the project to City Council. Moved by Councilwoman Colestock to approve the chalkboard wall installation on the ally side of the Old Mill Furniture building; seconded by Councilman Burke, passed unanimously.

Quality of Life Director Zeller reviewed with Council the special event permit application for the CASA Super Hero 5K. Councilman Burke moved to approve the CASA Super Hero 5K event to be held on September 14, 2019 from 7:30 a.m. to 10:30 a.m.; seconded by Councilman Harri, passed unanimously. Council discussed the cost of overtime wages for the Police Department for the event. CASA does cosponsor the bounce house and other children's activities scheduled as part of the ER Air event that day. Councilman Burke moved to provide law enforcement at no cost as an in-kind donation; seconded by Councilman Harri, passed unanimously.

Quality of Life Director Zeller reviewed with Council the special event permit application submitted by Your Creative Escape for an Easter Egg Hunt to be held in several City parks and parking lot. Mayor Malewski directed Zeller to request a revised application with the correct City park and location names. Councilman Harri moved to approve the Your Creative Escape Easter Egg Hunt to be held on April 20, 2019 from 8:00 a.m. to 5:00p.m.; seconded by Councilwoman Colestock, passed unanimously.

Quality of Life Director Zeller presented a Girl Scouts community service project to plant fruit trees at Biggs Park. The Quality of Life Board recommended the project to City Council. Councilwoman Colestock moved to approve the Girl Scouts tree planting project at Biggs Park; seconded by Councilman Burke, passed unanimously.

City Manager Desentz advised Council that the taco truck lease expired January 1st. The owners indicated they would remove the truck from Mill Point Park when the weather improved. It remains in the park. Councilman Harri moved to allow the owners until April 1st at 5:00 p.m. to remove the truck at which time it will be tagged with a 48 hour impound sticker to be enforced by Eaton Rapids Police Department; seconded by Councilwoman Colestock, motion passed.

City Manager Desentz presented information on the MDOT Pavement Warranty requirement for Council's consideration. The warranty program is required for any state or federal funded project that includes \$2 million or more in paving related items. The warranty program includes two resolutions to adopt and implement the program. They will be added to the April 8th agenda.

City Manager Desentz reviewed information from the City Attorney regarding changes to the State's fireworks laws. Council agreed to direct the City Attorney to draft an amendment to the current ordinance to reflect the changes in state law and set the penalty in line with current civil infraction fines.

Mayor Malewski reported that he is recommending the appointment of Daniel Wiles to the Quality of Life Board. Councilman Harri moved to add the appointment of Daniel Wiles to the regular meeting agenda; seconded by Councilman Burke, passed unanimously.

City Manager Desentz discussed the bids to replace a water plant motor. This was not a budgeted expense. Two bids were received. Council agreed to add this to the regular meeting agenda for approval.

Unfinished and Special Business: None.

Public Comments: None

The meeting was adjourned at 6:25 p.m.

Paul O. Malewski, Mayor

Laura Boomer, City Clerk