

April 8, 2019
City Council Meeting

A regular meeting of the City Council was held at City Hall, 200 S. Main Street, on Monday, April 8, 2019 at 7:00 p.m.

Mayor Malewski called the meeting to order.

Present were Mayor Malewski and Councilpersons Burke, Harri, Colestock, and Wichman.

The invocation was given by Pastor Jim Riley of Eaton Rapids Assembly of God.

Councilman Harri moved to approve the agenda as printed; seconded by Councilwoman Colestock, passed unanimously.

Councilwoman Colestock moved to approve the March 25th worksession minutes and the March 25th council meeting minutes; seconded by Councilman Harri, passed unanimously.

Councilman Wichman moved to approve the disbursements of \$251,575.90 seconded by Councilman Burke, passed unanimously.

Public Comments: None.

Unfinished and Special Business: None.

New Business:

Mayor Malewski gave his recommendation to appoint Ashley Harmon to the Quality of Life- River Recreation Subcommittee. Councilwoman Colestock moved to approve the appointment of Ashley Harmon to the Quality of Life- River Recreation Subcommittee; seconded by Councilman Burke, passed unanimously.

Mayor Malewski gave his recommendation to appoint Treasa Smith to the Quality of Life- Youth & Teen Initiatives Subcommittee. Councilman Burke moved to approve the appointment of Treasa Smith to the Quality of Life- Youth & Teen Initiatives Subcommittee; seconded by Councilman Wichman, passed unanimously.

Josh Curtis, representing the Eaton Rapids High School Alumni Association, presented the required resolution for the group's application for a charitable gambling license. Councilwoman Colestock moved to adopt the Local Governing Body Resolution for Charitable Gaming Licenses; seconded by Councilman Burke, passed unanimously.

Clerk Boomer read for the First Reading of Ordinance 2019-03. An ordinance to amend sections 9-45 and 9-47 of Article V of Chapter 9, Fire Prevention and Protection, to modify and reduce the days and times when the ignition, discharge, and use of consumer fireworks is lawful and prescribe a penalty.

Clerk Boomer read for the First Reading of Ordinance 2019-04. An ordinance to amend sections 16-7 and 16-9 of Article I of Chapter 16, Parks and Recreation, to establish hours of operation for the City Parks and prescribe a penalty for violations.

City Manager Desentz reviewed the MDOT Pavement Warranty Program. Councilman Harri moved to adopt the MDOT Pavement Warranty Adoption and Implementation Resolutions; seconded by Councilwoman Colestock, passed unanimously.

Public Comments:

Jim Riley, 6271 E. Clinton Trail, appeared before Council regarding the National Day of Prayer event scheduled for May 2nd 5:30-6:30 p.m. at Memorial Park.

Russ Hicks, Columbia Hwy., appeared before Council. He distributed pamphlets with dam information. Reported that May 31st is National Dam Safety Awareness Day. Reported on PFAS contamination at Michner Plating in Jackson County. Reported that a new invasive species has been identified, the New Zealand Mud Snail. He has installed a sign regarding them at Mill Point Park. Advised he can get more signs.

Reports:

Councilman Burke welcomed Ashley Harmon and Treasa Smith to the Quality of Life Sub-Committees. He thanked them for their interest in serving on the committees.

Fire Chief McNutt reported that the foam in stock for fire suppression does not contain PFASs. Reported that no foam was used on the Meridian Plant fire. The barriers on the river is to control fluids from a ruptured tank.

City Manager Desentz reported that the DDA is hiring a Main Street Director. They are hoping for a mid-May start date. The Main Street State and National Team will be in town on April 18th and 19th for the baseline assessment and the program kick-off. Reported that budget preliminary report should be complete this week. Thanked members of Council who could make the special meeting last week.

Mayor Malewski reported that COG meets at the City on April 18th at 7:00p.m. Suggested to invite Township Officials to the Mainstreet Kick-off scheduled for the 18th from 6:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. and COG meet after at 8:00p.m. Mayor Malewski welcomed Councilman Wichman back and thanked everyone for attending.

The meeting adjourned at 7:40 p.m.

Paul O. Malewski, Mayor

Laura Boomer, City Clerk