

**August 12, 2019**

**Worksession**

A Worksession of the City Council was held at City Hall, 200 S. Main Street, on August 12, 2019 at 5:00 p.m.

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

Administrative Staff Present were City Manager Desentz, Clerk Boomer, Fire Chief McNutt, Police Chief Weeks, PRT Fellow Nugen, and Quality of Life Director Zeller.

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

**Public Comments:** None

**New Business Topics of Discussion were:**

1. City Manager Desentz presented and reviewed with Council quotes for the chemical cleaning of Well #1 as a result of iron build up. Two bids were received. It is not a budgeted expense and is on the formal agenda.
2. Quality of Life Director Zeller introduced Dan Wiles who presented his rendering for the Pettit Hardware wall mural. The project is being funded by the DDA and Friends of the Island. Councilman Harri moved, Councilman Wichman seconded, PASSED, to approve the City Manager's signing of a mural art agreement with Pettit Hardware.
3. Quality of Life Director Zeller presented and reviewed with Council the Eaton Rapids Air 2019 Special Event Application. The event is scheduled for September 12<sup>th</sup> thru 15<sup>th</sup>.
4. PRT Fellow Nugen reviewed and discussed with Council the Public Engagement Strategy as required under the Redevelopment Ready Communities program best practices. Councilman Wichman moved, Councilwoman Colestock seconded, PASSED, to adopt the Public Engagement Strategy for implementation.
5. City Manager Desentz presented and reviewed with Council the draft Council Manual. He did not receive any additional feedback for edits. It is on the formal agenda for adoption.
6. City Manager Desentz presented and reviewed with Council the draft Employee Handbook. Additional edits were suggested. It will be removed from the 8/12/2019 formal agenda.
7. Mayor Malewski led a Special Events Policy review discussion. Council would like a copy of every special event application.
8. Police Chief Weeks presented and reviewed with Council an amendment to the City's current drug paraphernalia ordinance to bring it up to date with current state law regarding the legalization of marijuana. The first reading is on the formal agenda.

9. Police Chief Weeks presented and reviewed with Council a request to hire a full-time officer. Councilwoman Colestock moved, Councilman Burke seconded, PASSED by roll call vote, to approve the employment of a full-time police officer.

Aye: Wichman, Colestock, Burke, Harri, Malewski

No: 0

Absent: 0

**Unfinished and Special Business:** None

**Public Comments:**

Helen Broom appeared before Council regarding inclusion on the agenda and proposed Girl Scout activities in the City.

**Reports:**

City Clerk Boomer reported that the clean-out of the Library storage space is complete.

City Manager Desentz reported the spouse of a commission member passed.

The meeting was adjourned at 6:51 p.m.

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Paul O. Malewski, Mayor

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Laura Boomer, City Clerk