

January 25, 2021
City Council Worksession

A Worksession of the City Council was conducted by electronic remote means (online and/or by phone), on January 25, 2021 at 5:00 p.m. Due to public safety concerns resulting from the COVID-19 Pandemic, this meeting was conducted via Zoom Conferencing using Meeting ID 823 0560 5696.

Present were:

Mayor Malewski remotely from Eaton Rapids, Michigan
Councilwoman Colestock remotely from Eaton Rapids, Michigan
Councilwoman Politza remotely from Eaton Rapids, Michigan
Councilman Steele remotely from Eaton Rapids, Michigan
Councilman Wichman remotely from Eaton Rapids, Michigan

Also in attendance via audio/video were City Manager Desentz, Clerk Boomer, Fire Chief McNutt, Treasurer Carr, Building Official Hummel, Police Chief Weeks, and Quality of Life Director Zeller.

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

Mayor Malewski called the meeting to order at 5:01 p.m.

Public Comments: None

New Business Topics of Discussion were:

1. City Manager Desentz presented and reviewed with Council the 2021-2023 Ambulance Contract with Eaton Area EMS. Manager Bob Hale attended and contributed to the discussion. He explained the fee structure and history. Council asked for additional information about call volume and population size served in the Eaton Rapids Area.
2. City Manager Desentz introduced and reviewed with Council the Riverwalk Contract with Laux Construction, the lowest bidder. C2AE has recommended their bid be accepted. Michigan Strategic Fund reduced the match for the project resulting in a higher cost to the City. Mayor Malewski has contacted Representative Lightner's office regarding the change.
3. Building Official Hummel presented and reviewed with Council an update on the Rental Registration Program and the Property Maintenance Code Program. City Attorney Harkness contributed.
4. City Manager Desentz presented and reviewed with Council a proposal to update the City's camera and security system. The proposal included a suggested solution for the brush disposal site.
5. City Attorney Harkness reviewed and discussed with Council the draft Marijuana Ordinance.
6. PFAS Attorney discussion was moved to formal agenda to discuss with WSP Contract Addendum Approval
7. Board Reappointments are on the formal agenda and will be discussed then.

Unfinished and Special Business Topics of Discussion were: None

Public Comments: None

Training Attendance Update: None

Staff Reports: None

The meeting adjourned at 6:59 p.m.

Paul Malewski, Mayor

Laura Boomer, City Clerk