

March 22, 2021
City Council Worksession

A Worksession of the City Council was conducted by electronic remote means (online and/or by phone), on March 22, 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 849 7900 6259.

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, Treasurer Carr, Police Chief Weeks, Fire Chief McNutt, Quality of Life Director Zeller, Public Works/Utilities Director Moss and Main Street/DDA Director Smith.

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

Mayor Malewski called the meeting to order at 5:00 p.m.

Public Comments:

City Manager Desentz introduced newly hired Public Works/Utilities Director Keith Moss.

Unfinished and Special Business Topics of Discussion were: None

New Business Topics of Discussion were:

1. City Manager Desentz introduced Mark Beauchamp and Mike Johnson of Utility Financial Solutions. Mark presented to Council the findings of the electric rate study. Mike contributed to the presentation.
2. Main Street/DDA Director Smith presented and discussed with Council an updated draft food truck ordinance.
3. Quality of Life Director Zeller presented and reviewed with Council a Special Event Application submitted by the G.A.R. Museum for the Memorial Day Parade and Events. The Special Event Committee recommended the application for approval. It is on the formal agenda for approval.
4. Quality of Life Director Zeller presented and reviewed with Council a Special Event Application submitted by the G.A.R. Museum for the 4th of July Living History Encampment and Events. The Special Event Committee recommended the application for approval. It is on the formal agenda for approval.
5. City Manager Desentz presented and reviewed with Council street project considerations. They reviewed the results of the PASER evaluation.

Public Comments: None

Training Attendance Update:

Councilman Wichman reported that he attended the Michigan Municipal League's CapCon conference for elected officials.

Treasurer Carr reported that she attended an internal controls webinar presented by the Michigan Treasurer's Association.

Staff Reports: None

Steele moved, Colestock seconded, PASSED, to adjourn. The meeting adjourned at 6:56p.m.

Paul Malewski, Mayor

Laura Boomer, City Clerk