

A regular meeting of the City Council was held at City Hall, 200 S. Main Street on Monday, April 26, 2010, at 7:00 p.m.

Mayor Platte called the meeting to order.

Present were Mayor Platte and Councilpersons Greenhoe, Brown, Letarte and Harri. None were absent.

The invocation was given by Councilman Greenhoe.

Councilwoman Brown moved Council add an Agenda Item under New Business, Item 10h., Council Resolution Regarding the Administrative Agent of the City; seconded by Councilman Harri, passed unanimously. The Agenda was approved as printed and with the addition of Item 10h.

The April 12, 2010 Regular minutes and the April 13, 2010 Worksession minutes and April 19, 2010 Worksession minutes were approved as printed.

Councilman Harri moved that disbursements of \$244,297.87, with the breakdown being General Fund Checks in the amount of \$104,233.56 - check numbers 52101 through 52161 and Wire Transfers in the amount of \$140,064.31 be approved; seconded by Councilman Letarte, passed unanimously.

Councilman Greenhoe moved Council approve Traffic Control Order #80, W. Broad Street between S. Main Street and Hall Street based on traffic construction project, that W. Broad Street between S. Main Street and Hall Street be closed to parking and furthermore W. Broad Street between Hall Street and S. Main Street be changed from two lanes to three lanes with one lane being for west bound, one lane being for Left Turn to north bound Main and one lane being for Right Turn and Straight through; seconded by Councilman Letarte, passed unanimously.

Councilman Greenhoe moved Council approve Traffic Control Order #81, Hall Street at King Street based on traffic construction project, that the Stop Signs on Hall Street at King Street regulating north and south bound Hall Street traffic be removed; seconded by Councilman Letarte, passed unanimously.

Councilman Greenhoe moved Council approve Traffic Control Order #82, Hall Street (300 Block) between King Street and Spicer Street based on traffic construction project, that the area of Hall Street between King Street and Spicer Street (east side) be designated no parking; seconded by Councilman Letarte, passed unanimously.

Councilman Greenhoe moved Council approve Traffic Control Order #83, Hall Street (400 Block) between King Street and W. Broad Street, based on traffic construction project, that the area of Hall Street between King Street and W. Broad Street (400 Block east side) be designated no parking; seconded by Councilman Letarte, passed unanimously.

Councilman Greenhoe moved Council approve Traffic Control #84, W. Knight Street between Brook Street and Hall Street based on traffic construction project, that the area of W. Knight Street between Brook Street and Hall Street (south side) be designated no parking; seconded by Councilman Letarte, passed unanimously.

Councilman Harri moved Council approve the Relay for Life to be held on Friday, June 4<sup>th</sup> through Saturday, June 5<sup>th</sup>, with the event to be held at Union Street School and for Council to waive Section 20-1, Restriction, to allow limited overnight camping at Union Street School, waiver of Section 15-26 (9), Noise Ordinance, to allow activities with loud music until 12:00 a.m., and waiver of Section 9-6 (3c), Recreational Fire Hours, to allow recreational fires to burn throughout the event; seconded by Councilman Greenhoe, passed unanimously.

Councilman Greenhoe moved Council approve Superintendent Poyer's recommendation to accept the bid from Luke's Landscape Company of Okemos, for the Street Sweep Bids in the amount of \$1,257.50 per sweep; seconded by Councilwoman Brown, passed unanimously.

Councilman Harri moved Council approve the Resolution authorizing the City Clerk, the City Superintendent and the City Treasurer to collectively exercise the duties and functions of the City Manager as set forth in section 6.8 of the City Charter or by ordinance until such time as a new City Manager is hired and begins work at the City, including acting as the administrative agent of the City, and during this interim period, administrative decision of the City shall be made by a majority vote of the City Clerk, the City Superintendent and the City Treasurer, as well as seek the guidance of the Mayor on administrative decisions in his capacity as Chief Officer of the City pursuant to section 4.4 of the City Charter; seconded by Councilman Letarte, passed unanimously.

Rod Schultz, 1303 Montgomery Street, appeared before Council regarding the new phone system; the Resolution that Council passed regarding the City Manager vacancy; the City Manager Search; and the County Board of Commissioners.

Reuben Green, 630 Forest Street, appeared before Council regarding the trees on Main Street.

Mayor Platte reported on the following: reminded citizens to use local businesses throughout the construction; that Fitness Fridays will begin on May 7<sup>th</sup> with walks beginning at the Amphitheater and will continue throughout the summer months on the First Friday of every month; and that Fun Floats will have an outing on May 5<sup>th</sup> from the Mill Race to the English Inn.

Councilwoman Brown reported on the following: thanked all the citizens in attendance and for their comments.

Councilman Harri reported on the following: that during the transitional period of the Council hiring a City Manager, that he felt that one person was not the answer to performing the duties and that he agreed with the structure as set forth in the Resolution; and that he was looking forward to the interview process and Council needs to take a lot of time and thought during this process.

Councilman Letarte reported on the following: that the process for setting the Budget for next year is beginning and Council needs to be diligent throughout this process; and that he would be contacting Mr. Green regarding the tree issue.

Fire Chief McNutt reported on the following: that the weather sirens will sound every Saturday at noon; that if there is threatening weather, or a tornado has been sighted in our area, then the first siren is the warning and the second blast is the all clear signal; that the City will be working with the VFW Home and blowing their sirens as well through the City's frequency; that he has hired two new volunteers, with the third position in the process of being interviewed and then the Department will have a full roster; and that he is awaiting the ISO report and rating that should be coming in the next few weeks and will keep Council informed.

Police Chief Malewski reported on the following: that the Safe Prom Initiative Campaign was a successful event; that they have received six applicants for the Public Safety Scholarship; that the City garden is full with apple trees that have been donated and they have received a Grant for fencing.

City Superintendent Poyer reported on the following: that hydrant flushing will be happening this week; and that the Main Street project is proceeding on schedule.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:45 p.m.

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Steven G. Platte, Mayor

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Kristy Reinecke, City Clerk