

A regular meeting of the City Council was held at City Hall, 200 S. Main Street on Monday, May 23, 2011, at 7:00 p.m.

Mayor Platte called the meeting to order.

Present were Mayor Platte and Councilpersons Brown, Greenhoe and Harri. Councilman Letarte was absent and excused.

The invocation was given by Pastor Sandra Carpenter of the Dimondale Mission Church.

The Agenda was approved as printed and with Item 10j., under New Business, being tabled until further notice.

The May 9, 2011 Regular Minutes and the May 16, 2011 Worksession Minutes were approved as printed.

Councilwoman Brown moved that disbursements of \$783,112.57, with the breakdown being General Fund Checks in the amount of \$123,557.63 - check numbers 57311 through 57380 and Wire Transfers in the amount of \$659,554.94, be approved; seconded by Councilman Greenhoe, passed unanimously.

Rod Schultz, 1303 Montgomery Street, appeared before Council regarding the LDFA and DDA Appointments.

Councilwoman Brown moved Council approve the Library Board's Recommendation to appoint Susan Palomba, 3323 Kemler Road, to the Library Board, for an unexpired term which will expire on January 30, 2012; seconded by Councilman Harri, passed unanimously.

Councilwoman Brown moved Council approve the Mayor's Recommendation to reappoint Brian Ross, 147 S. Main Street, Willard Maxey, 132 E. Knight Street, Jeff Brown, 505 Drahner, Chris Mergener, 9860 Kinneville Road, Benjamin Dancer, 6506 Houston Road, Gary Wichman, 103 S. Center Street, Leonard Peters, 505 McArthur River Drive, and Dave Wilson, 8123 W. Clinton Trail, to the Local Development Finance Authority Board, for a Three Year Term which will expire on May 23, 2014; seconded by Councilman Harri, passed unanimously.

Rod Schultz, 1303 Montgomery Street, appeared before Council regarding the housing in Eaton Rapids; and the City's phone use policy.

Mike Mills and Jordan O'Dell, 518 S. Main Street, appeared before Council regarding the vacant property across from the Funeral Home that they owned and the use and drainage issues surrounding the property. Mayor Platte stated that this item will be discussed at the Worksession scheduled for Monday, June 6<sup>th</sup> at 5:00 p.m.

Mayor Platte reported on the following: thanked all who attended the Simpson/Dowding Drive dedication and what a great event this was; that the Council is in the final steps of the Budget process and will be having hearings on the Budget at the Council Meetings in June.

Councilman Greenhoe reported on the following: that he will take a look at the property on Hall and Broad Street before the next Worksession; and congratulated Councilman Letarte on his daughters graduation from West Point.

Councilwoman Brown reported on the following: that the awnings at the Library look wonderful; and thanked everyone for being at the meeting.

Councilman Harri reported on the following: thanked all who serve on Boards for the City; that the Memorial Day Parade is Monday at 11:00 a.m.; that on Saturday the Scouts will be cleaning-up Island Park; and thanked Mr. Schultz for his comments and that first impressions are very important coming into town.

Police Chief Malewski reported on the following: that on Wednesday the Department had hosted a bicycle safety event at Northwestern Elementary for the Third Grade; that the ERHS Honors Convocation was scheduled and the Department would award their scholarship; that the CERT Team had participated in an exercise at Northwestern this past weekend; and he presented the members of the CERT Team with the Presidential Award.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:31 p.m.

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Steven G. Platte, Mayor

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Kristy Reinecke, City Clerk