

A regular meeting of the City Council was held at City Hall, 200 S. Main Street on Monday, August 8, 2011, at 7:00 p.m.

Mayor Platte called the meeting to order.

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

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

Councilman Greenhoe moved Council approve the Agenda as printed, but with the removal of the approval of the August 1, 2011, Worksession Minutes, the addition of the approval of the Meter Deposit Refund Checks, and to change the language in item 10a, from "Council Approval of the MPPA Resolution and Authorization of Scott Poyer to be the Contact for any and all Purchases through MPPA", to "Council Approval of the Resolution Electing to Participate in the AFEC Project Committee with the Expenditure of Development Funds, and to Authorize the City Manager to Sign said Agreement"; seconded by Councilwoman Brown, passed unanimously.

The July 25, 2011 Regular Minutes were approved as printed.

Councilwoman Brown moved that disbursements of \$163,181.50, with the breakdown being General Fund Checks in the amount of \$161,941.66 - check numbers 57676 through 57758 and Meter Deposit Refund Checks in the amount of \$1,239.84 - check numbers 100618 through 100632; seconded by Councilman Harri, passed unanimously.

Councilman Harri moved that Council approve a Resolution electing to participate in the AFEC Project Committee with the expenditure of development funds, and to authorize the City Manager to sign said agreement; seconded by Councilman Greenhoe, passed unanimously.

Councilwoman Brown moved Council approve the Risk Management Policy Agreement with MPPA; seconded by Councilman Harri, passed unanimously.

Councilwoman Brown moved Council approve the Energy Service Agreement with MPPA and authorize City Manager Jon Stoppels to sign said Agreement; seconded by Councilman Harri, passed unanimously.

Councilman Letarte moved Council approve to proceed with the recommendation of DPW Director Scott Poyer on the Downtown Substation Load Removal; seconded by Councilwoman Brown, passed unanimously.

Councilman Greenhoe moved Council approve DPW Director Poyer's recommendation to award the 2011 Street Sweeping bid to Schafer's Inc., of Lansing; seconded by Councilwoman Brown, passed unanimously.

Marty Vanek, 1211 S. Main Street, appeared before Council regarding the thermostats in City Hall.

Mayor Platte reported on the following: that the Pocket Park dedication held on Friday was well attended; that Representative Mike Shirkey will be holding a Town Hall Meeting at

7:00 p.m. on August 9<sup>th</sup>; that the Babbitts had held an Openhouse for the wonderful addition to the City of the MSHDA Loft Grants on Wednesday.

Councilman Greenhoe reported on the following: that it was a nice Park Dedication; and that at the Worksession he had added an agenda item as Parks to be discussed further.

Councilwoman Brown reported on the following: that she was also pleased with the Park Dedication; that she felt it was not a good idea for dogs to be in our Parks, but that a Committee was reviewing the possibility of a Dog Park in the City and that this was a wonderful idea; that there will be a dog census in Eaton County, so make sure that your dogs are licensed; and that the Library will be closed on August 16<sup>th</sup>.

Councilman Harri reported on the following: that he has had the privilege of talking with many constituents in Precinct 1 and is getting good feedback from the citizens and that this is a very good sign; and that he will be finishing up getting his petitions signed for the Precinct 1 Representative in the November Election.

Councilman Letarte reported on the following: that he still wanted to discuss at a future Worksession the unfunded liability on the MERS Retirement for the City employees.

City Manager Stoppels reported on the following: that Staff had a meeting last week with Burnham and Flower on insurance issued and that it was well attended; that the City was still in negotiations with the DPW and Administrative Assistants; that the Police Department and Building Inspector were working hard on Code enforcement issues; and that the Dog Park Committee has been meeting.

Police Chief Malewski reported on the following: that it was touch a truck on Saturday and that a helicopter had attended the event as well as the Lansing canine unit and the mounted police in Eaton County; that Officer Long was off due to the birth of his daughter; that Officer Paling was off due to the birth of his daughter; and that Officer Drake would be off as she was getting married.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:40 p.m.

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Steven G. Platte, Mayor

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Julie Kunkel, Recording Secretary