

A regular meeting of the City Council was held at City Hall, 200 S. Main Street on Monday, January 23, 2012, at 7:00 p.m.

Mayor Platte called the meeting to order.

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

The invocation was given by Pastor Scott Boles of the First Baptist church.

The Agenda was approved as printed.

The January 9, 2012, Regular Minutes and the January 16, 2012, Worksession Minutes were approved as printed.

Councilwoman Brown moved that disbursements of \$624,261.09, with the breakdown being General Fund Checks in the amount of \$58,495.16 - check numbers 58457 through 58513 and Wire Transfers in the amount of \$565,765.93; seconded by Councilman Harri, Councilman Greenhoe questioned the bill for the Fire Truck repair as this line item was over budget. City Manager Stoppels stated that this would be taken care of with a Budget Adjustment in the next few weeks. The motion passed unanimously.

Councilwoman Brown moved Council approve the Mayor's recommendation to reappoint Susan Palomba, 3323 Kemler Road, to the Library Board for a five year term which will expire on January 30, 2017; seconded by Councilman Greenhoe, passed unanimously.

Councilwoman Brown moved Council approve the Mayor's recommendation to reappoint Jill Skinner, 804 Cumberland, Lisa Letarte, 601 Raeburn, and Jeff Ostrom, 812 N. Michigan, to the Planning Commission for three year terms which will expire on January 31, 2015; seconded by Councilman Norris, passed unanimously.

Councilman Norris moved Council approve the recommendation of the City Clerk to accept the proposal from Etna Supply Company for the purchase of a meter reading system, and for the addition to the contract of 100 remote reconnect electric meters, with financing through Ervin Leasing Company for a 60 month term; seconded by Councilman Greenhoe, passed unanimously.

Councilwoman Brown moved Council approve the sidewalk replacement program, and to increase the reimbursement rate to homeowners for the program in the City of Eaton Rapids from \$2.00 per square foot to \$2.75 per square foot; seconded by Councilman Harri, passed unanimously.

Councilman Harri reported on the following: that although the meter system was a substantial expense, that in order to keep the City's infrastructure up to date and

running efficiently, money needs to be spent and that the current system is broke and needs to be fixed with better technology and that the City should regain the monies spent within 5 years.

City Clerk Reinecke reported on the following: invited Council to attend the Winterfest Election that will be taking place at the High School on Wednesday, February 1<sup>st</sup> at 11:00 a.m.

Police Chief Malewski reported on the following: reviewed the article from the Lansing State Journal with Council; that the in car camera has been sold to Beaverton Police Department; and invited Council to attend the CERT Disaster Training which will take place on Saturday, February 4<sup>th</sup> at 10:00 a.m. at Northwestern School.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:29 p.m.

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Steven G. Platte, Mayor

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Kristy Reinecke, City Clerk