

A worksession of the City Council was held at City Hall, 200 S. Main Street, on Monday, February 17, 2014, at 5:00 p.m.

Present were Mayor Platte and Councilpersons McGee, Brown, Harri and Burke. None were absent.

Administrative Staff Present was City Manager Jon Stoppels, DPW/WWTP Director Todd Nichols, Police Chief Larry Weeks, City Assessor Mike Baker, Treasurer Lisa St. Aubin, Utility Director Scott Poyer, Library Director Sandy Porter, Building Inspector Jon Hill, Fire Chief Roger McNutt, Deputy Treasurer Marrie Jo Drake and City Clerk Kristy Reinecke.

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

Public Comments:

None.

Department Head Reports:

None.

New Business Topics of Discussion were:

Council reviewed the request from the Business and Professional Women's Club to hold the Third Annual Scrap Drive at the DPW. Janet Davidson, a member of the BPW, appeared before Council stating that they wished to hold the event on Saturday, May 3rd from 7:00 a.m. until 6:00 p.m. Ms. Davidson stated that this event has raised over \$3,000 which has been used to give Scholarships to women in Eaton Rapids. This item will appear on the February 24th Agenda.

Utility Director Poyer reviewed with Council the proposal from MPPA for the purchase of Capacity from June 1, 2015 through May 31, 2019. After a lengthy discussion it was the consensus of the Council to review this in six months.

Utility Director Poyer reviewed with Council a Resolution that Consumers Energy is requesting to provide service to 10 residents on Kemler Road. Utility Director Poyer stated that this is an on-going Resolution that we have with Consumers Energy and just needs to be renewed. This item will appear on the February 24th Agenda.

Utility Director Poyer reviewed with Council the two Resolutions that need to be adopted by Council so that Dowding Drive and Mike Simpson Drive can become a part of the MDOT qualifications and receive funding under Act 51. These two Resolutions will appear on the February 24th Agenda.

City Treasurer St. Aubin reviewed with Council the Second Quarter Budget Adjustments that need to be approved by Council for Budgeting purposes. This item will appear on the February 24th Agenda.

Utility Director Poyer reviewed with Council that MDOT has funding available for street projects that are ready to go in 2014. Utility Director Poyer stated that he would like to submit for funding for the State Street Project which is from John B. Davidson Drive to the City Limits. Utility Director Poyer stated that he will keep Council informed as to the process.

Old Business Topics of Discussion were:

Fire Chief McNutt reviewed with Council the proposed Ordinance regarding Fireworks in the City Limits. Council thanked Chief McNutt for the draft Ordinance and asked that with a few wording changes that it be sent to the City Attorney for review before Council adoption.

Public Comments:

None.

Council Comments for the Good of the Order:

Mayor Platte reported on the following: reminded Council that there would be a COG Meeting on Thursday, February 20th at 7:00 p.m. at City Hall; and that he had received news that the tentative date for the new restaurant opening was the end of March/beginning of April.

Fire Chief McNutt reported on the following: that New Organics has moved out of the Horner Mill Complex and that he is continuing to work with Mr. DeLeo on the fire system issues.

Councilwoman Brown reported on the following: asked if anyone had been through the proposed restaurant yet for a tour. Council stated that they had not.

The meeting was adjourned at 5:50 p.m.

Steven G. Platte, Mayor

Kristy Reinecke, City Clerk