

A regular meeting of the City Council was held at City Hall, 200 S. Main Street on Monday, July 28, 2014. The meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m.

Mayor Platte called the meeting to order.

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

The invocation was given by Pastor Jim Riley of the Assembly of God Church.

The Agenda was approved as printed.

The July 14, 2014, Regular Minutes and the July 7, 2014 and July 21, 2014 Worksession Minutes were approved as printed.

Councilman Harri moved that disbursements of \$535,245.57 be approved, with the breakdown being General Fund Checks in the amount of \$184,003.07 - check numbers 62409 through 62489; Meter Deposit Refund Checks in the amount of \$1,243.55 - check numbers 101033 through 101048 and Wire Transfers in the amount of \$349,998.95; seconded by Councilwoman Brown, passed unanimously.

City Clerk Reinecke administered the Oath of Office to City Treasurer Marrie Jo Carr. City Treasurer Carr received applause and congratulations from the Mayor and Council.

Councilwoman Brown moved Council approve the Eaton Rapids High School to hold the Homecoming Parade on Friday, October 10, 2014, at 6:00 p.m., with the parade route being from River to Knight to Main to State to Greyhound Drive; seconded by Councilman McGee, passed unanimously.

Councilman Burke moved Council approve the Mayor's recommendation to appoint Kristy Reinecke, City Clerk, to be the Officer Delegate at the 2014 MERS Annual Conference; seconded by Councilman Harri, passed unanimously.

Councilwoman Brown moved council approve the election conducted by City Staff to have Patrick Reinecke be the Employee Delegate and Dan Chamberlin be the Employee Alternate at the 2014 MERS Annual Conference; seconded by Councilman Burke, passed unanimously.

Councilwoman Brown moved Council approve the proposal from HRC Engineers for the 2014 Road Maintenance Services Contract for the State Street asphalt project from Greyhound Drive to Miller Drive with Lansing Asphalt in the amount of \$40,798.00; seconded by Councilman Harri, passed unanimously.

Councilman Burke moved Council approve MDOT Contract 14-5429 between the City of Eaton Rapids and the Michigan Department of Transportation for the Historic Preservation Work for GAR Island Park, and authorize the Mayor and City Clerk to sign said contract; seconded by Councilwoman Brown, passed unanimously.

Councilman Harri moved Council approve the GAR Special Event Permit for the Civil War Discovery Camp to be held on Wednesday, August 20th from 10:00 a.m. until 3:00 p.m., at GAR Park, also known as Island Park, and also allow a campfire and for the discharge of firearms at this location during the hours approved; seconded by Councilman McGee, passed unanimously.

City Clerk Reinecke read for First Reading Ordinance 2014-3, an Ordinance to Amend the Code of the City of Eaton Rapids by Amending Chapter 12, Housing, Article VI, Property Maintenance, Section 12-171, Short Title; Intent; and Purpose (B)(5) of the Eaton Rapids City Code. This was for First Reading only, no Council action was required.

City Clerk Reinecke read for First Reading Ordinance 2014-4, an Ordinance to Amend the Code of the City of Eaton Rapids by Amending Chapter 12, Housing, Article VI, Property Maintenance, Section 12-173, Administration and Enforcement (J), (K), (L), and (M), of the Eaton Rapids City Code. This was for First Reading only, no Council action was required.

City Clerk Reinecke read for First Reading Ordinance 2014-5, an Ordinance to Amend the Code of the City of Eaton Rapids by Amending Chapter 2, Administration, Article VII, Municipal Civil Infractions, Section 2-132 - Civil Penalties(a); of the Eaton Rapids City Code. This was for First Reading only, no Council action was required.

Susan Knight, 300 King, Apt 213, appeared before Council regarding a list of issues that she presented to Council.

Kathleen Bibler, 300 King, Apt 207, appeared before Council regarding a list of issues that was presented to Council.

Ed Peterson, introduced himself to Council as a candidate for the 65th District House Representatives seat.

John Calhoun, introduced himself to Council as a candidate for the 65th District House of Representatives seat.

Councilman Harri reported on the following: congratulated Treasurer Carr on her appointment to the position; that there is lots of excitement in the City right now thanks to City Staff on the completion of the Playground; that the fireplace looks wonderful and will be a great addition to the City and thanked the volunteer for his efforts in constructing the fireplace; and that there are lots of positive things happening in Eaton Rapids.

Councilman Burke reported on the following: that the Playground is a phenomenal project and that it was great to see the work horses that are employed by the City and thanked them for their time and energies; that the GAR Discovery Camp is a great idea

and event and is excited about this; wished the two candidates good luck in their campaign efforts; and congratulated Treasurer Carr on her appointment.

Councilwoman Brown reported on the following: wished the two candidates well in their efforts; welcomed Treasurer Carr to the City family; that the Coffee Shop is putting on events on Wednesday nights and it is a fun time to get together; that so much is happening in Eaton Rapids; thanked the two residents from King Street for bringing these issues to our attention and they will try to get them addressed; that this is your City Hall; that she is proud of everything that our Police Department does for us to make us feel safe; and that the City is lucky to have the Staff that we have.

Councilman McGee reported on the following: that the activities on Wednesday are a great event for the City and set a positive tone for the City.

City Clerk Reinecke reported on the following: congratulated Treasurer Carr on her appointment.

City Manager Stoppels reported on the following: thanked Treasurer Carr for all of her hard work and that she has turned two jobs into one and is doing a phenomenal job; that the Playground is a success and was a build that required 40 people to do in 4 days, and was done with 15 City Employees and a few volunteers and still managed to be completed in 4 days; that additional picnic tables and benches are coming soon to the new Playground site; that the Summer Music and Movie program is a huge success with over 175 people in attendance at the movie on Friday; and that he is very proud of this community and to be a part of it.

Councilwoman Brown moved Council go into Closed Session for a Personnel Evaluation at the request of the person involved; seconded by Councilman Burke, passed unanimously. Council went into Closed Session at 7:48 p.m.

Councilman Burke moved Council reconvene back into open session; seconded by Councilman Harri, passed unanimously. Council reconvened back into open session at 9:17 p.m.

The meeting was adjourned at 9:17 p.m.

Steven G. Platte, Mayor

Kristy Reinecke, City Clerk