

A regular meeting of the City Council was held at City Hall, 200 S. Main Street on Monday, November 23, 2015. The meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m.

Mayor Platte called the meeting to order.

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

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

The Agenda was approved as amended with the removal of Item 13, Closed Session for a Personnel Issue at the Request of the Person Involved.

The November 9, 2015, Regular Minutes and the November 16, 2015, Worksession Minutes were approved as printed.

Councilwoman moved that disbursements of \$418,696.65 be approved with the breakdown being General Fund Checks in the amount of \$172,731.84 - check numbers 64694 through 64766; and Wire Fund Transfers in the amount of \$245,964.81; seconded by Councilman McGee, passed unanimously.

There were no Public Comments.

Councilman Harri moved Council approve the recommendation from Michigan Public Power Agency (MPPA) to Purchase Power to be in compliance with the 2016 Hedge Plan and to authorize the City Manager to sign the Agreement; seconded by Councilman McGee, passed unanimously.

Councilwoman Brown moved Council approve the First Quarter Budget Amendments as recommended by City Treasurer Carr; seconded by Councilman McGee, passed unanimously.

City Clerk Reinecke read for First Reading Ordinance 2015-21, an Ordinance to Amend the Code of the City of Eaton Rapids by Amending Chapter 12 ½, Library, of the Eaton Rapids City Code. This was for First Reading only, no Council action was required.

Barb Lietzke, 1303 Hall Street, appeared before Council regarding Parking Ordinances; and Street Repair.

Russ Hicks, Columbia Hwy., appeared before Council regarding the Return the Rapids to Eaton Rapids Project and that a \$10,000 Grant has been received.

Barb Rogers, Eaton County Commissioner, appeared before Council regarding happenings in the County and gave a brief update on the Tri-County Office on Aging; Crandall Gravel Pit Project; and the Community Christian Action Group.

Rod Schultz, 1303 Montgomery Street, appeared before Council and thanked Councilwoman Brown for her service; congratulated Pam Colestock; thanked the Police Department on a recent dog issue; that sidewalks need to be addressed; and the Property Maintenance Ordinance.

Councilman Burke reported on the following: thanked everyone for attending the meeting; wished everyone a Happy Thanksgiving; and that all Ordinances and everything that Council does is discussed in open meetings and in open forums which is open to the citizens.

Councilwoman Brown reported on the following: thanked everyone for attending; that there are lots of projects in the works and that she has worked with a good group of colleagues; that they are taking their time in reviewing all of the Ordinances and that citizens are welcome to all Council Worksessions; that the City does have a sidewalk program; and thanked Mr. Hicks for all of his work on the Rapids Project.

Councilman McGee reported on the following: that Hall Street is part of the street project; thanked Mr. Hicks for all of his work; that there is a City Program for citizens in need of property maintenance issues; and wished everyone a Happy Thanksgiving.

City Manager Stoppels reported on the following: wished everyone a Happy Thanksgiving.

Police Chief Weeks reported on the following: that they will be at Family Fare on December 5th from 11:00 a.m. until 2:00 p.m. for the Fill-A-Cop Car event; that last Thursday they had participated in the Courts in School Program at the High School; and that an Officer was involved in a crash last week and the vehicle is being repaired.

Mayor Platte reported on the following: wished everyone a Happy Thanksgiving; that lots of projects are in the works with the roads, sidewalks, parking lots, once warmer weather gets here; and thanked Mr. Hicks for his tireless efforts on the Rapids Project.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:30 p.m.

Steven G. Platte, Mayor

Kristy Reinecke, City Clerk