

A regular meeting of the City Council was held at City Hall, 200 S. Main Street on Monday, May 8, 2017. The meeting was called to order at 6:00 p.m.

Mayor Platte called the meeting to order.

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

The invocation was given by Pastor Mark Michalcewicz of the Grace Baptist Church.

The Agenda was approved as printed.

The April 24, 2017, Regular Minutes and the May 1, 2017 Worksession minutes were approved as printed.

Councilwoman Colestock moved that disbursements of \$365,203.82 be approved; seconded by Councilman Harri, passed unanimously.

Councilman McGee moved Council approve the Teen Initiative Resolution; seconded by Councilman Burke, passed unanimously.

City Clerk Reinecke read for First Reading Ordinance 2017-3, an Ordinance to Amend the Code of the City of Eaton Rapids by Amending Appendix A - Zoning, Article XXVI, Administration and Enforcement, Article 60, Violations; Penalties. This was for First Reading only, no Council action was required.

City Clerk Reinecke read for First Reading Ordinance 2017-4, an Ordinance to Amend the Code of the City of Eaton Rapids by Amending Appendix A - Zoning, Article XXVI, Administration and Enforcement, Article 70, Enforcement. This was for First Reading only, no Council action was required.

City Clerk Reinecke read for First Reading Ordinance 2017-5, an Ordinance to Amend the Code of the City of Eaton Rapids by Amending Chapter 2, Administration, Article VII, Municipal Civil Infractions, Section 132, Civil Penalties. This was for First Reading only, no Council action was required.

Councilwoman Colestock moved Council approve the 2017 Street Paving Project; seconded by Councilman McGee, passed unanimously.

Councilman Burke moved Council approve the Resolution authorizing the City Clerk to submit a Grant Application on behalf of the City of Eaton Rapids for a new voting system through the State of Michigan and Eaton County; seconded by Councilman Harri, passed unanimously.

Teresa Logan, 601 Michaels View Lane, appeared before Council regarding the Yard Waste Facility days and time of operation.

Russ Hicks, Columbia Hwy., appeared before Council and presented them with the plaques for the Outdoor Recreation Center.

Councilwoman Colestock reported on the following: thanked Ms. Logan for coming to Council with her concerns and comments regarding the Yard Waste Facility; that she had the privilege to participate in the Michigan History Day Contest that took place in Bay City and be a judge for this event; thanked the Police Department for rescuing baby ducks from a storm drain; and that the GAR Museum will be the program for the 502 social hour sponsored by the Chamber of Commerce on Wednesday, May 17th.

Councilman Harri reported on the following: thanked Mr. Hicks for the plaques; that he had purchased a kayak this weekend so was looking forward to getting out and using it on the Grand River and the rapids; that the Teen Initiative is a wonderful potential project and a place for the youth in our community to feel safe and have their own place to go and take pride in it; and that Yard Waste Facility hours had to be changed because of commercial haulers dumping in it illegally so that is why the gate and partial hours and times have been set and will continue to be looked at by Council to see if it is a working situation.

City Manager Stoppels reported on the following: that the ORC will be opening this weekend; that staff is working on the Spring list and getting caught up from all of the rain; and that the Yard Waste Facility will continue to be reviewed and monitored by Staff and Council.

Police Chief Weeks reported on the following: that Lt. Creger has been with the Department since last Fall and has just completed his Bachelor's Degree from Michigan State University.

Mayor Platte reported on the following: that the Street Program was looked at back in 2012/2013 and has made great strides and has moved forward and was pleased to see all of the streets that are scheduled for resurfacing this year; and that the Teen Initiative is a great program that will give our youth something to do in the Community.

Councilman Harri moved Council go into Closed Session to discuss strategy and negotiations regarding collective bargaining agreements; seconded by Councilman McGee, passed unanimously. Council went into Closed Session at 6:33 p.m.

Councilwoman Colestock moved Council reconvene back into Open Session; seconded by Councilman McGee, passed unanimously. Council reconvened back into Open Session at 7:44 p.m.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:44 p.m.

Steven G. Platte, Mayor

Kristy Reinecke, City Clerk