

A worksession of the City Council was held at City Hall, 200 S. Main Street, on Monday, May 15, 2017, at 5:00 p.m.

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

Administrative Staff Present was City Manager Jon Stoppels, Police Chief Larry Weeks, Quality of Life Director Troy Stowell, Fire Chief Roger McNutt, Library Director Anna Curtis, Building Official LeRoy Hummel, City Treasurer Marrie Jo Carr 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:**

Police Chief Weeks introduced Cullen Harkness who is the new Prosecuting Attorney for the Police Department. Council welcomed Mr. Harkness to the City.

Fire Chief McNutt stated that the County will be configuring the tornado sirens and will be running the system County wide and paying for all of the expenses for the conversion.

Building Official Hummel stated that the sidewalk program started last week and is moving along well; and that Hickory Haven will be offered to the City for purchase on June 1<sup>st</sup> and Council will have until June 30<sup>th</sup> to decide to act on the offer.

**New Business Topics of Discussion were:**

City Clerk Reinecke reviewed the request from the Relay for Life Committee to place purple ribbons on the street posts in the downtown on June 10<sup>th</sup> and removal of the ribbons on June 19<sup>th</sup>. This item will appear on the May 22<sup>nd</sup> Agenda for Council consideration.

Mayor Platte reviewed with Council the proposed Chief's Resolution. After a lengthy discussion it was the consensus of the Council to bring this back to a future worksession for further review.

City Manager Stoppels reviewed with Council the proposed General Fund Budget. City Manager Stoppels stated that this is a working document and is still being reviewed and worked on. City Manager Stoppels stated that the rest of the Budget will be presented to Council and future Worksessions, but will need to be adopted at the June 26<sup>th</sup> Council Meeting.

City Clerk Reinecke reviewed with Council the request from the Eaton Rapids High School Band to hold a Pops Concert at the Amphitheater on Wednesday, May 24<sup>th</sup> at 6:00 p.m. as

they have done years in the past. Council thanked Clerk Reinecke for the review and information for the event.

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City Manager Stoppels reviewed with Council the need to purchase a gator to be used in various Departments of the City. City Manager Stoppels stated that there is money in this years budget, and the City would be able to purchase the equipment for 0% financing for 48 months. City Manager Stoppels stated that this will be used to assist with the Downtown Spring clean-up; the watering of plants at various locations; ball tournaments; cemetery; Water Department and the Electric Department. It was the consensus of Council to proceed with the purchase. Council thanked City Manager Stoppels for the information.

**Old Business Topics of Discussion were:**

None.

**Informational Updates:**

Councilwoman Colestock asked why the Food Truck discussion was not on the Council Agenda. Mayor Platte stated that he had asked the rest of Council about having the item placed on the Worksession Agenda and only two Councilmembers wanted it on for discussion so was therefore not placed on the Agenda for review.

**Public Comments:**

None.

The meeting was adjourned at 6:26 p.m.

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Steven G. Platte, Mayor

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Kristy Reinecke, City Clerk