

A regular meeting of the City Council was held at City Hall, 200 S. Main Street on Monday, January 22, 2018. The meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m.

Mayor Malewski called the meeting to order.

Present were Mayor Malewski and Councilpersons Burke, Harri, Wichman and Colestock. None were absent.

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

The Agenda was approved as printed.

The January 8, 2018, Regular Minutes and the January 15, 2018 Worksession Minutes were approved as printed.

Councilwoman Colestock moved that disbursements in the amount of \$374,594.18, be approved; seconded by Councilman Burke, passed unanimously.

Councilwoman Colestock moved Council approve the Mayor's recommendation to Reappoint Marty Backofen, 709 West Street, to the Building Board of Appeals for a three year term which will expire on January 31, 2020; seconded by Councilman Wichman, passed unanimously.

Councilman Burke moved Council approve the Mayor's recommendation to reappoint Robert Tubbs, 417 Gould Street, to the Building Board of Appeals for a three year term which will expire on January 31, 2020; seconded by Councilman Harri, passed unanimously.

Councilwoman Colestock moved Council approve the Mayor's recommendation to Reappoint Joseph Bennett, 218 S. East Street, to the Building Board of Appeals for a three year term which will expire on January 31, 2020; seconded by Councilman Burke, passed unanimously.

Councilman Wichman moved Council approve the Hamlin Township Boards recommendation to appoint Denise Perkins, Hamlin Township Treasurer, to the Local Development Finance Authority Board, for an unexpired term which will expire on May 23, 2019; seconded by Councilman Harri, passed unanimously.

Councilwoman Colestock moved Council approve the establishment of a Finance Committee and to have Councilman Wichman, Councilman Burke and City Treasurer Carr be members of the Committee; seconded by Councilman Harri, passed unanimously.

Councilman Burke moved Council approve the establishment of a Personnel Committee and to have Councilwoman Colestock, Councilman Harri and City Clerk Reinecke be members of the Committee; seconded by Councilman Wichman, passed unanimously.

Rod Schultz, 1303 Montgomery Street, appeared before Council regarding the old stone bridge to Howe Field and the Welcome Center.

Joel Rozick, 870 S. Michigan Street, appeared before Council regarding FEMA Group and would like more involvement from the CERT Team; and that he supports the addition of Pickle Ball Courts in Eaton Rapids.

Barb Rogers, Eaton County Commissioner, appeared before Council and gave a brief update on all that is happening in the County.

Fire Chief McNutt reported on the following: explained the interaction between the Fire Departments and the CERT Team.

Councilman Wichman reported on the following: that there is a Finance Committee Meeting scheduled.

Councilman Burke reported on the following: thanked Joel for coming to Council and appreciates everything that the CERT Team does for Eaton Rapids.

Councilman Harri reported on the following: thanked all of the Board Members for their renewal of terms and times and their dedication and commitment to the City.

City Treasurer Carr reported on the following: thanked the Finance Committee for stepping up and their willingness to get involved and help.

Mayor Malewski reported on the following: thanked all for attending the meeting; praised the CERT Team and the program and all that they do for the City; and read a letter from a resident that is pleased with the Water Department.

Councilwoman Colestock moved Council go into Closed Session to discuss pending litigation with the City Attorney; seconded by Councilman Burke, passed unanimously. Council went into Closed Session at 7:30 p.m.

Councilman Burke moved Council reconvene back into open session; seconded by Councilwoman Colestock, passed unanimously. Council reconvened back into open session at 9:05 p.m.

Councilwoman Colestock moved the meeting be adjourned; seconded by Councilman Wichman, passed unanimously.

The meeting was adjourned at 9:06 p.m.

Paul O. Malewski, Mayor

Kristy Reinecke, City Clerk