

## REGULAR COUNCIL PROCEEDINGS

CITY OF FLAT ROCK, MICHIGAN  
25500 GIBRALTAR ROAD  
FLAT ROCK, MI 48134

TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 22, 2022

The regular meeting of the Flat Rock City Council convened at the Municipal Building, 25500 Gibraltar Road, Flat Rock, Michigan 48134, on the above date at 7:30 pm.

1. **PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:**

2. **ROLL CALL OF COUNCIL MEMBERS:**

PRESENT ELECTED OFFICIALS:

PRESENT: Mayor: Hammond  
Council Members: Bergeron, Dishaw, Martin, Pardo, Tefend, Wrobel

ABSENT: Council:

ALSO, PRESENT: Fire Chief James Katona, Police Chief Jerry Page, City Clerk Shane Harrison, Treasurer Joanne Beard, Library Director Michael Cummings, Economic Development Director Elizabeth Hendley, Department of Public Services Director Justin Danosky, City Attorney Matthew Zick, Building & Safety Director Jeffery Kemp Jr.

\*\* Mayor Mark Hammond requested to break away from the agenda momentarily to provide an update on the Huroc Leak, stating a sheen was noticed by fisherman fishing in the breakaway located near the Flat Rock Animal Shelter on February 21, 2022. The substance was immediately reported to the City and the Flat Rock Fire Department contacted Wayne County Officials, The Environmental Protection Agency (EPA), and The Michigan Department of Environment, Great Lakes, and Energy (EGLE) which are all now on the scene.

Fire Chief Jim Katona noted that there was good news, there are no readings in any homes or businesses near the leak, the substance is only in the backwater currently. Chief Katona noted that officials are still working to locate the source of the leak, pipelines were being shut down and there were currently 6 booms, 2 which are absorbent located in the backwater area. Chemical fingerprinting is also being completed to help narrow down where the leak may be coming from.

Mayor Hammond shared that the City of Flat Rock was working with the Federal Government for assistance in funding regardless of if a “spiller” was identified.

3. **APPROVAL OF MINUTES:**

**Resolution 02-22-22-01**

Motion by Martin  
Supported by Tefend

RESOLVED, to approve the minutes of the regular City Council meeting of February 7, 2022.

Motion carried unanimously 7-0

**4. CITIZENS TO BE HEARD: QUESTIONS OR INPUT ON AGENDA ITEMS:**

Sue Farrar, resident requested a few definitions regarding Agenda items, Mayor Hammond respond that all questions would be answered as each agenda item was discussed.

**5. REPORTS FROM DEPARTMENT HEADS:**

Treasurer Joanne Beard noted that winter taxes were due by 4:30pm on Monday, February 14<sup>th</sup> and that the last day to pay the city with penalty was Monday February 28<sup>th</sup> at 4:30pm. On March 1, 2022, all unpaid tax bills would become delinquent and be forwarded to Wayne County.

City Clerk Shane Harrison shared that there would be a Special Election on May 3, 2022, for a Flat Rock Schools Bond Proposal.

**6. REPORTS FROM COUNCIL MEMBERS:**

Councilman Martin reminded residents to call 1-888-ROADCREW to contact Wayne County to fix Gibraltar and Huron River Dr. roads.

Councilman Wrobel questioned how the salt effected the roads durability. DPS Director Danosky stated that salt is the best ice remover, sand only provides extra traction.

**7. MAYOR COMMENTS:**

Mayor Mark Hammond stated he already shared his update at the beginning of the meeting.

**8. UNFINISHED BUSINESS:**

**Item 8-A SEMCOG Mayor's Report – Parks and Recreation Recovery Plan**

No Action Taken

**9. NEW BUSINESS:**

**Item 9-A Mayoral Appointment – Parks & Recreation Director**

**Resolution 02-22-22-02**

Motion by Wrobel  
Supported by Martin

RESOLVED, to approve the appointment of Richard Tanguay as the Parks and Recreation Director. Mr. Tanguay will receive a salary of \$63,000 and 2-weeks prorated vacation time, benefits will be consistent as outlined in the City Administrator Officers Policy.

Motion carried unanimously 7-0

**Item 9-B Request to Approve – Intergovernmental Agreement for Prisoner Lodging**

**Resolution 02-22-22-03**

Motion by Hammond  
Supported by Martin

RESOLVED, to approve the Prisoner Lodging Agreements between the City of Flat Rock and the Cities of Rockwood, Gibraltar, and the Township of Brownstown for the 2022 year.

Motion carried unanimously 7-0

**Item 9-C 1<sup>st</sup> Reading of Ordinance – Amendments to Revise Chapter 38 Stormwater Management**

**Resolution 02-22-22-04**

Motion by Dishaw  
Supported by Martin

RESOLVED, to suspend the 1<sup>st</sup> reading of ordinance 455 – Amendments to Revise Chapter 38 Stormwater Management.

Motion carried unanimously 7-0

**Item 9-D Discussion – ARPA Funding Expenditures**

No Action Taken

**Item 9-E Request to Approve – Clerical Pay Increase**

Item removed from Agenda – No Action Taken

**Item 9-F Request to Approve – Capital Improvement Projects**

**Resolution 02-22-22-05**

Motion by Dishaw  
Supported by Pardo

RESOLVED, to approve the Sale of Bonds for the following projects:

- \$2,700,000 – Will Carleton Water Main.
- \$870,000 – line sewers in high infiltration areas on Magnolia, Aspen, Red Cedar, Tamarack, Alders, Palmetto, Laurel, Ailanthus, and Larches.
- \$1,000,000 – new DPS/Water/Mechanic building.
- \$500,000 – bond fees and any unforeseen charges that may arise over the various projects.

Motion carried unanimously 7-0

**Item 9-G Request to Approve – Drinking Water State Revolving Fund Project Plan**

**Resolution 02-22-22-06**

Motion by Dishaw  
Supported by Wrobel

RESOLVED, to approve the funding of up to \$35,000 to C.E. Raines to move forward with the application process for the Drinking Water State Revolving Fund to fund the Huron River Drive Water Main Project.

Motion carried unanimously 7-0

**10. LATE CORRESPONDENCE:**

**11. CITIZENS TO BE HEARD: COMMENTS AND/OR REQUESTS:**

Sue Farrar, resident shared the upcoming spring garage sale dates of May 14<sup>th</sup> & 15<sup>th</sup>.

**CLOSED SESSION:**

**ITEM A – Fire Contract Negotiations**

**Resolution 02-22-022-07**

Motion by Martin  
Supported by Tefend

RESOLVED, to convene into closed session to discuss Fire Contract Negotiations.

Motion carried unanimously 7-0

**Resolution 02-22-22-08**

Motion by Pardo  
Supported by Hammond

RESOLVED, to reconvene into open session.

Motion carried unanimously 7-0

12. **ADJOURNMENT:**

**Resolution 02-22-22-09**

Motion by Tefend  
Supported by Wrobel

RESOLVED, to adjourn the regular City Council meeting of February 22, 2022, at 10:52pm.

Motion carried unanimously 7-0

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**MARK A. HAMMOND, MAYOR**

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**SHANE ANNE HARRISON, CITY CLERK**

Approved as presented at the March 7, 2022 Regular City Council Meeting