

## REGULAR COUNCIL PROCEEDINGS

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

MONDAY, MARCH 7, 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, Detective Lieutenant Jonathan Wieneke, 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

3. **APPROVAL OF MINUTES:**

**Resolution 03-07-22-01**

Motion by Bergeron  
Supported by Wrobel

RESOLVED, to approve the minutes of the regular City Council meeting of February 22, 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.

Mark Balowski, resident complained on the condition of Huron River Drive, he is aware of the County Road but feels the Council has a stronger voice then the residents. Mayor Hammond shared the City's frustration and are working towards a solution with Wayne County, but unfortunately the City does not have any more pull then the residents. Mayor Hammond requested that residents voice their complaints to Wayne County by calling 1-888-ROADCREW.

**5. REPORTS FROM DEPARTMENT HEADS:**

Fire Chief Jim Katona noted that the Huroc Leak substance had received a chemical “fingerprint” match with a chemical located at Flat Rock Metal. The tank was discovered, it was put in the property in the early 1900’s. This tank was removed, but then located a 2<sup>nd</sup> tank that will be removed and remediation will begin. EGLE is now in charge of the clean up operation, the Fire Department will only be assisting when rescue support is needed. Chief Katona also thanked all the Department Heads who stepped up to help him during this past 15 days.

Department of Public Services Director Justin Danosky updated Council that the stormwater audit went really well as was completed today. Director Danosky also shared that the Gibraltar Lift Station boards were installed this week and working properly.

Treasurer Joanne Beard stated that Assessment Notices were mailed out on February 25, 2022, and that March Board of Review would be on Tuesday March 15<sup>th</sup> & 29<sup>th</sup> from 1:00pm to 9:00pm. If you have not received your assessment, have any questions on your assessment or would like to set up an appointment for Board of Review please call 734.782.2463 and ask for the Assessor.

City Clerk Shane Harrison shared that there would be a Special Election on May 3, 2022, for a Flat Rock Schools Bond Proposal and to be on the lookout for Absentee Voter Ballot Applications soon if you are a permanent Absentee Voter.

**6. REPORTS FROM COUNCIL MEMBERS:**

Councilman Martin thanked residents that called Wayne County, he is sure that is why Wayne County was out this past week patching Gibraltar and Huron River Dr.

Councilman Tefend asked is the city was being reimbursed for any expenses occurred due to the Huroc Leak. Mayor Hammond stated that yes, the City will be reimbursed by the EPA for expenses incurred.

**7. MAYOR COMMENTS:**

Mayor Mark Hammond requested that residents continue to contact 1-888-ROADCREW for any complaints they may have on current road conditions. Mayor Hammond also stated he is in continuing his talks with Wayne County in efforts to update our county roads.

Mayor Hammond also thanked the Department Heads for their assistance during the Huron Leak.

**8. UNFINISHED BUSINESS:**

**Item 8-A 2<sup>nd</sup> Reading of Ordinance – Amendments to Revise Chapter 38 Stormwater Management**

**Resolution 03-07-22-02**

Motion by Wrobel  
Supported by Martin

RESOLVED, to suspend the 2<sup>nd</sup> reading of ordinance 455 – Amendment to Revise Chapter 38 Stormwater Management.

Motion carried unanimously 7-0

**Resolution 03-07-22-03**

Motion by Martin  
Supported by Bergeron

RESOLVED, to adopt ordinance 455 with Amendment to Revise Chapter 38 Stormwater Management as presented.

Motion carried unanimously 7-0

**9. NEW BUSINESS:**

**Item 9-A Insurance Policy Renewal with The David Chapman Agency**

**Resolution 03-07-22-04**

Motion by Martin  
Supported by Wrobel

RESOLVED, to approve the insurance renewal policy and payment of \$210,237.000 to The David Chapman Agency.

Motion carried unanimously 7-0

**Item 9-B Annual Report – Planning Commission**

No Action Taken

**Item 9-C Request to Approve – Election Worker Compensation**

**Resolution 03-07-22-05**

Motion by Wrobel  
Supported by Pardo

RESOLVED, to approve the increase in election worker compensation as follows:

- Chairperson: \$12.00 per hour plus \$40.00 for responsibilities of a Chairperson
- Co-Chairperson: \$12.00 per hour plus \$20.00 for responsibilities of a Co-Chairperson
- Inspector: \$12.00 per hour – no additional stipend
- Training: \$25.00 flat rate
- Cell Phone Use: \$10.00 only one (1) worker per precinct may claim this

Motion carried unanimously 7-0

**Item 9-D Request to Approve – Pavement Surface Evaluation and Rating Study (PASER) and Assets Management Plan for City Roads (AMP)**

**Resolution 03-07-22-06**

Motion by Martin  
Supported by Hammond

RESOLVED, to approve the cost of completing the Pavement Surface Evaluation and Rating Study (PASER) and Assets Management Plan for City Roads (AMP) not to exceed the amount of \$7,312.00.

Motion carried unanimously 7-0

**10. LATE CORRESPONDENCE:**

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

Family members of Cassandra Merrow who has been missing requested the assistance from Council to have Flat Rock Police Department hand off the case to the State Police.

Sue Farrar, resident shared the dates of May 14<sup>th</sup> & 15<sup>th</sup> as well as September 10<sup>th</sup> & 11<sup>th</sup> for the city-wide garage sale. Ms. Farrar also requested permission from the city to allow St. Vincent De Paul trucks to park at the City Hall from Friday September 9<sup>th</sup> to 12<sup>th</sup>.

Mark Balowski, resident thanked the Mayor and Fire Department for their quick response to the Huroc Leak and keeping the substance out of the main river.

Bill Miller, local business owner requested that Council share their thoughts on what they would like to see at the old Senior Building which Mr. Miller recently purchased. He also requested for council to entertain the idea of selling the DPS Garage also.

12. **ADJOURNMENT:**

**Resolution 03-07-22-07**

Motion by Martin  
Supported by Wrobel

RESOLVED, to adjourn the regular City Council meeting of March 7, 2022, at 8:34pm.

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 21, 2022 Regular City Council Meeting