

REGULAR COUNCIL PROCEEDINGS

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

MONDAY JUNE 19, 2023

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: Beller, Bergeron, Dishaw, Martin, Wrobel

ABSENT: Council: Tefend

Resolution 06-19-23-01

Motion by Beller

Supported by Martin

RESOLVED, to excuse Council Member Tefend from the regular council meeting on June 19, 2023.

Motion carried unanimously 6-0

ALSO, PRESENT: Clerk Rebecca Cottrell, Police Chief Jerry Page, City Administrator/Treasurer Joanne Beard, Economic Development Director Liz Hendley, Interim Department of Public Services Director Eric Holtz, Parks & Recreation Director Patrick Hawkins, Fire Chief Glenn Owens, and City Attorney Matthew Zick.

3. APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

Item 3-A Regular Meeting Minutes of June 5, 2023

Resolution 06-19-23-02

Motion by Hammond

Supported by Martin

RESOLVED, to approve the Regular City Council Meeting Minutes of June 5, 2023, with the proposed changes.

Motion carried unanimously 6-0

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

Members of the audience addressed council regarding the following:

- Budgetary Concerns.

5. REPORTS FROM DEPARTMENT HEADS:

Joanne Beard, City Treasurer/City Administrator

- Tax bills went to the printer – going out 1st week of July.
- 4.8 million MERS Grant was accepted.
- Gave clarification on the resolution from last meeting with DDA's Budget.

Eric Holtz, Interim Director of Water and Public Services

- Joint Sealing & Chip Sealing around the City.
- Bidigare is still contacting residents re: Lead Lines.
- Met with Clark Construction regarding Will Carleton Watermain project.
- Watermain Break on Hunter Lane Sunday night.

Chief Owens, Fire Chief

- Began transporting ALS on June 9, 2023.
- The license has not been released from Rapid Response yet.
- Staffing updates.

Patrick Hawkins, Recreation Director

- Thanked members of Flat Rock Our Hometown and residents for Movie in the Park.
- Upcoming Events: Concert in the Park (M125) on July 6, 2023
Movie in the Park (Spiderman – No Way Home) on July 26, 2023
Senior Trip to DIA on June 30, 2023.

6. REPORTS FROM COUNCIL MEMBERS:

Larry Dishaw

- Enjoying beautiful weather – will not be at July 3, 2023 meeting.

John Bergeron

- Wished everyone a Happy 4th of July.

Jim Martin

- Wished everyone a Happy 4th of July – will not be at July 3, 2023 meeting.
- Banquet Center received an anonymous donation of \$500 after the last Council Meeting.

Ken Wrobel

- Stop sending flyers around the Community that the Community Center is closing.
- Asked about an update regarding Bike Path Grant.
- Reminded Department Heads they need to stay within their budget.
- Asked about an update regarding updating Council Chambers.
- Requested Police Department help with ordinance officer.

7. **MAYOR COMMENTS:**

Mayor Mark Hammond provided updates of the following:

- Meeting on Juneteenth.

8. **AWARDS/PRESENTATIONS**

9. **UNFINISHED BUSINESS:**

Item 9-A- Fiscal Year 2023/2024 Budget

**Discussion between Mayor Hammond, Council Members, and Department Heads **

Resolution 06-19-23-03

Motion by Dishaw
Supported by Bergeron

RESOLVED, to approve the DDA Budget subject to a General Ledger Line Item being added to the DDA Budget for \$300,000 in Construction for Water Projects and the current Construction Line Item being increased to \$300,000.

Motion carried unanimously 6-0

Resolution 06-19-23-04

Motion by Beller
Supported by Dishaw

RESOLVED, to request DDA to fully fund the Economic Development Director position.

Roll Call Vote
Yes: Beller
Bergeron
Dishaw

No: Hammond*
Martin
Wrobel

Motion failed 3-3

Resolution 06-19-23-05

Motion by Hammond
Supported by Martin

RESOLVED, to remove \$40,000 from the approved \$80,000 OPEB Funding Transfer to fund the remainder of the Economic Development Director position.

Roll Call Vote

Yes: Hammond*
Beller
Martin

No: Bergeron
Dishaw
Wrobel

Motion failed 3-3

Resolution 06-19-23-06

Motion by Wrobel
Supported by Beller

RESOLVED, to remove funding from the intern employee position and DDA to fund the remaining of the Economic Development Director's position.

Roll Call Vote

Yes: Hammond*
Beller
Bergeron
Dishaw
Wrobel

No: Martin

Motion carried 5-1

10. NEW BUSINESS:

Item 10-A Resolution to Approve – SEMCOG Delegate

Resolution 06-19-23-07

Motion by Hammond
Supported by Martin

RESOLVED, to appoint Councilman Dishaw as primary delegate and Councilman Wrobel as second delegate.

Motion carried unanimously 6-0

Item 10-B Request to Approve – Yeo & Yeo Engagement Letter

Resolution 06-19-23-08

Motion by Dishaw

Supported by Martin

RESOLVED, to approve the Yeo & Yeo Engagement Letter.

Motion carried unanimously 6-0

Item 10-C Resolution to Accept – 33rd Judicial District Court Annual Financial Report

Resolution 06-19-23-09

Motion by Hammond
Supported by Wrobel

RESOLVED, to approve the 33rd Judicial District Court Annual Financial Report as presented.

Motion carried unanimously 6-0

Item 10-D Resolution to Approve – 2023 Street Sectioning Payment #3

Resolution 06-19-23-10

Motion by Martin
Supported by Beller

RESOLVED, to approve the 2023 Street Sectioning Progress Payment #3 presented from C.E. Raines in the amount of \$40,062.83.

Motion carried unanimously 6-0

Item 10-E 1st Reading of Fowl Ordinance #462

Resolution 06-19-23-11

Motion by Martin
Supported by Dishaw

RESOLVED, to suspend the 1st reading of Ordinance #462 – Amendment of FR City Code, Chapter 14, Article 1.

Motion carried unanimously 6-0

Item 10-F Resolution to Approve – Budget Amendments

Resolution 06-19-23-12

Motion by Wrobel
Supported by Beller

RESOLVED, approve the Budget Amendments as presented by the City Treasurer/Administrator.

Motion carried unanimously 6-0

Item 10-G Request to Approve – Food Truck at Community Center

Resolution 06-19-23-13

Motion by Martin
Supported by Beller

RESOLVED, to approve a food truck on the premise of the Community Center for their weekly Tuesday event.

Motion carried 5-1
*Bergeron voting no

Item 10-H Review Status of March 20th Resolution – 26139 Gibraltar

Resolution 06-19-23-14

Motion by Bergeron
Supported by Hammond

Discussion between City Council, City Attorney, Property Owner, and Historical Society

RESOLVED, to postpone any action until the next council meeting (July 3, 2023). The new owner must have purchased the property by the following council meeting (July 3, 2023) and shall execute the Affidavit of Assumption of Violations. The City Attorney shall execute a Hold Harmless Agreement.

Motion carried unanimously 6-0

Item 10-I Resolution to Approve – Riverfest 2023

Resolution 06-19-23-15

Motion by Martin
Supported by Beller

RESOLVED, to approve the 2023 Riverfest Resolution as presented.

Motion carried unanimously 6-0

Item 10-J Permission to Purchase – Light Tower

Resolution 06-19-23-16

Motion by Martin
Supported by Hammond

RESOLVED, to approve the 2023 Street Sectioning Payment #2 as proposed.

Motion carried unanimously 6-0

11. **LATE CORRESPONDENCE**

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

Members of the audience addressed council regarding the following:

- Historical Society is working on restoring caboose.
- DDA & FROH having great attendance at Movies in the Park, Business Expo went well.
- Food Truck Rally July 15th
- Taste of Flat Rock July 22nd
- Concerns regarding DDA and Council Budget.
- Safe Routes to Schools.

13. **ADJOURNMENT:**

Resolution 06-19-23-17

Motion by Wrobel
Supported by Martin

RESOLVED, to adjourn the regular City Council meeting of June 19, 2023 at 09:27pm.

Motion carried unanimously 6-0

MARK A. HAMMOND, MAYOR

REBECCA COTTRELL, CITY CLERK

Approved as presented at the July 3, 2023, Regular City Council Meeting