

REGULAR COUNCIL PROCEEDINGS

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

MONDAY APRIL 1, 2024

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: Beller

Council Members: Bergeron, Dishaw, Frond, Martin, Tefend, Wrobel

ABSENT: Council:

ALSO, PRESENT: City Clerk Rebecca Brogley, City Attorney Matthew Zick, Fire Chief Glenn Owens, Police Chief Steve McInchak, DDA Director Elizabeth Hendley, City Treasurer Timothy Sadowski, Department of Public Services Director Eric Holtz, Building Director William Vack, Recreation Director Rodney Wade, and Library Director Michael Cummings.

3. AWARDS/PRESENTATIONS

4. APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

Item 4-A Regular Meeting Minutes of March 18, 2024

Resolution 04-01-24-01

Motion by Martin

Supported by Bergeron

RESOLVED, to approve the Regular City Council minutes of March 18, 2024.

Motion carried unanimously 7-0.

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

Members of the audience addressed council regarding the following:

6. REPORTS FROM DEPARTMENT HEADS:

Michael Cummings, Library Director

- Thursday, April 11th at 6:30PM a folk music production actor will be at the library discussing history of folk music.

Rodney Wade, Parks and Recreation Director

- Marshmallow drop was cancelled – rained out.
- Had about 300 kids participate and meet the Easter Bunny.
- Thanked support of staff.
- Discussed DDA Business Expo on April 17th from 12pm – 3pm.

William Vack, Building Director

- New residential properties are being built – bringing in tax value.
- Issue with City Hall water check valve.

Liz Hendley, DDA Director

- Discussed Business Expo coming up – will be having a food pantry drop off on site.
- Will be hosting Downriver DDA forum and be discussing volunteer opportunities.

Rebecca Brogley, City Clerk

- Was at Clerk’s Training two weeks ago – conference was educational.

Matthew Zick, City Attorney

- Will be setting Public Hearing for 1st meeting in May of 2024 for Huron Woods Pump Stations project.

7. REPORTS FROM COUNCIL MEMBERS:

Kenneth Wrobel

- Questioned Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) application and public hearing.
- Stated that the mayor does not sign documentation on behalf of City without coming to Council.

John Bergeron

- Wished residents a Happy Easter.

James Martin

- Hope everyone enjoyed the sunshine today.

Larry Dishaw

- Historical Society will be restoring historical windows on Saturday April 6th at 6:00PM.

Ricky Tefend

- Questioned Gibraltar Road flooding in front of Crest Ford.

Albert Frond

- Hope residents had a Happy Easter.

8. MAYOR COMMENTS:

Mayor Steve Beller provided updates of the following:

- Wished everyone a Happy Easter.

9. UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

Item 9-A Request to Approve – City Clerk Salary Adjustment

No Action Taken

10. NEW BUSINESS:

Item 10-A Request to Approve – American Legion Memorial Day Parade – May 27, 2024

Resolution 04-01-24-02

Motion by Bergeron
Supported by Frond

RESOLVED, to approve the Memorial Day Parade on May 27, 2024, beginning at 10AM in front of the American Legion Hall at 28614 Division Street.

Motion carried unanimously 7-0.

Item 10-B Request to Approve – American Legion Poppy Drive Sale May 16 - 18

Resolution 04-01-24-03

Motion by Martin
Supported by Bergeron

RESOLVED, to approve the American Legion Poppy Drive on May 16 - 18 to help Veterans of American Legion.

Motion carried unanimously 7-0.

Item 10-C Resolution to Approve – MDOT Agreement 24-5118

Resolution 04-01-24-04

Motion by Martin
Supported by Bergeron

RESOLVED, to approve the proposed Contract between the City and MDOT for the purpose of fixing the rights and obligations of the parties with respect to the maintenance and operation of Wayfinding Signs installed by the City and to authorize the Mayor as the City Official authorized to execute the contract.

Motion carried unanimously 7-0.

Item 10-D Request to Approve – Intergovernmental Agreement Between City of Flat Rock and Downtown Development Authority (DDA) Regarding: Boat Ramp

Resolution 04-01-24-05

Motion by Dishaw
Supported by Bergeron

RESOLVED, to approve the Intergovernmental Agreement as drafted with exception to signature lines and authorize the City Clerk to apply for the grant extension.

Roll Call Vote:

Yes: Beller*
Dishaw
Fron
Martin

No: Tefend
Wrobel

Motion carried 5-2.

Item 10-E Request to Approve – City Hall Closure (05.31.2024) Record Retention Day

Resolution 04-01-24-06

Motion by Martin
Supported by Tefend

RESOLVED, to approve the closure of City Hall on May 31st, 2024, at 12PM to account for record retention duties by City Hall staff and authorize overtime to staff on Saturday, June 1st, 2024.

Roll Call Vote:

Yes: Beller*
Dishaw
Fron
Martin
Tefend

No: Wrobel

Motion carried 6-1.

Item 10-F Permission to Advertise – Vreeland Road Project Construction and Engineering Services

Resolution 04-01-24-07

Motion by Martin
Supported by Dishaw

RESOLVED, to approve the permission to advertise proposals for construction engineering for Vreeland Road removal and replacement.

Motion carried unanimously 7-0.

11. LATE CORRESPONDENCE

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

Members of the audience addressed council regarding the following:

- Council minutes being taken by DDA Director.

- City Wide Garage Sale weekend of May 18th – rain or shine. Must purchase a \$5 garage sale permit at the City Clerk’s Office.
- Questioned any surplus vehicles for purchase or donation.
- Discussed Community Service Organization (CSO) meetings on 4/11 and 5/9.
- Starting to discuss Thanksgiving Outreach on Saturday November 23rd, 2024.
- Discussed Business Expo – showcase businesses and recreation center.

Resolution 04-01-24-08

Motion by Wrobel
Supported by Martin

RESOLVED, to convene into Closed Session for discussion per section 8(e) of the Open Meetings Act (OMA) regarding pending arbitration hearing: PMCS Case# 241115-01126.

Motion carried unanimously 7-0.

Resolution 04-01-24-09

Motion by Martin
Supported by Frond

RESOLVED, to reconvene into open session.

Motion carried unanimously 7-0.

13. ADJOURNMENT:

Resolution 04-01-24-10

Motion by Martin
Supported by Frond

RESOLVED, to adjourn the regular City Council meeting of April 1, 2024, at 9:15pm.

Motion carried unanimously 7-0.

STEVEN BELLER, MAYOR

REBECCA BROGLEY, CITY CLERK

Approved as presented at the April 15, 2024, Regular City Council Meeting