

Council Proceeding's
Regular Meeting
May 15, 2024

The Regular Council Meeting for the City of Rockwood was called to order by Mayor Troy A. Cox in the Council Chambers located at 32409 Fort St. at 7:00 PM

ROLL CALL

Present: Mayor Cox, Council Members Bennett, Cramton, Grzywacz, Joaquin, Mercure, and Wasner

Absent: None

City Officials

Present: Police Chief Krause, Fire Chief Mercure, Treasurer McCoy, Administrator Trush, DPW Director Boron, Attorney Pelland, and City Clerk Oney

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Mayor Cox added line item -Emergency Repair- to the Mayor's Report

M-100-24 Motion by Wasner/Bennett to approve this evening's agenda as amended.

Ayes are unanimous.

Motion Carried

PUBLIC DISCUSSION (Items not on Agenda)

None

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ACTION AGENDA

M-101-24 Motion by Wasner/Bennett to approve this evening's Action Agenda; Council Minutes-May 1, 2024, and Accounts Payable

Ayes are unanimous.

Motion Carried

REPORTS OF CITY OFFICIALS/DEPARTMENTS

Police Department:

Chief Krause discussed the Monthly Report for April 2024

M-102-24 Motion by Wasner/Joaquin to receive and file the Police Department Monthly Report for April 2024 dated May 8, 2024

Ayes are unanimous.

Motion Carried

Chief Krause stated that the artwork decorating the dispatch window is compliments from the Chapman Elementary School Kindergarten class in honor of police week, he would like to thank them and the staff. One of the second graders got Officer Koren a mug that says, "I can't fix stupid, but I can put cuffs on it". He also wanted to thank the staff at First Merchant Bank in Flat Rock, they sent over goody bags for everyone. The Henry Ford ER Nurses took care of them as well.

Fire Department:

Chief Mercure discussed the Fire Department Monthly Report for April 2024.

M-102-24 Motion by Wasner/Grzywacz to approve the Fire Department Monthly Report for April 2024.

Ayes are unanimous.

Motion Carried

Treasurer's Report:

Treasurer McCoy discussed the MMTA Basic Institute Approval, Budget (FYI), Community Center Budget Agreement, and Park Grant Budget Amendment.

M-103-24 Motion by Wasner/Mercure to approve the cost of hotel lodging to attend the Michigan Municipal Treasurer's Association Conference in Mt. Pleasant with the cost not to exceed \$577.50.

Council Member Joaquin would like to add that the Council be notified of such expenditures before they occur in the future.

Ayes are unanimous.

Motion Carried

Treasurer McCoy stated that we have a short fall, and we will be using \$55,000 from our fund balance. The short fall comes from some people not paying their property taxes. We will be made whole by Wayne County, but it will take a while to get that.

Mayor Cox stated that they will reimburse us.

Council Member Joaquin wanted to make sure that we would not be moving forward in a deficit, that we would recoup that money.

Council Member Cramton asked how long it would take for the reimbursement.

Treasurer McCoy stated that it depends, it could take a month, or it could take two weeks.

Council Member Grzywacz asked the treasurer if she knew what the current fund balance is.

Treasurer McCoy stated that she is not certain off the top of her head, but she thinks that we are at \$750,000.

M-104-24 Motion by Wasner/Bennett to approve the amendment to the Community Center Budget in the amount of \$8,000.

Ayes are unanimous.

Motion Carried

M-105-24 Motion by Wasner/Mercure to approve the budget amendment to increase revenue in Wayne County Parks line item by \$2,976.00.

Ayes are unanimous.

Motion Carried

M-106-24 Motion by Wasner/Grzywacz to approve the expenditures from Community Promo in fulfillment of the grant by \$2,976.00.

Ayes are unanimous.

Motion Carried

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS

Director Boron discussed Chip Sealing of Woodruff Rd. – Highway Maintenance & Construction Co., and approval of Bronze Memorial Plaque – Park Grant

M-107-24 Motion by Wasner/Joaquin to approve the bid from Highway Maintenance & Construction Co. in the amount of \$51,630.31 the be paid from the Local Road Fund.

Council Member Grzywacz asked what company this was.

Director Boron stated that this company only does chip seals, not concrete.

Ayes are unanimous.

Motion Carried

M-108-24 Motion by Wasner/Joaquin to approve the payment to Bronze Memorials Inc. in the amount of \$1,850.31. This will be reimbursed by Wayne County Parks

Ayes are unanimous.

Motion Carried

CONSIDERATION ITEMS

None

ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT

Administrator Trush discussed the Senior Van repair approval, and the SMART Contract

M-109-24 Motion by Wasner/Mercure to approve the payment to Crest Ford in the amount of \$2,912.48 for repairs on the Senior Van

Council Member Grzywacz stated that she thought there was talk about replacing the senior van.

Administrator Trush stated that they have been approved to replace the Senior Van, they are just waiting for the agreement to be signed. The new senior van

will cost about \$75,000.00. These repairs needed to be made to make the van safe.

Council Member Grzywacz asked if there were plans in place to sell the van since we are still making repairs to it.

Administrator Trush stated that when it is time the current van will be put up for sale and the funds will be used to offset the new van's cost.

Ayes are unanimous.

Motion Carried

M-110-24 Motion by Wasner/Mercure to approve the payment of \$3,031.00 for the Municipal Credit and Community Credit Contract for Fiscal Year 2024.

Ayes are unanimous.

Motion Carried

Council Member Joaquin asked if there was a pre and post trip check list or policy for the senior van driver to go through before transporting.

Council Member Wasner stated that it is used for seniors to get to doctor appointments and such.

DPW Director Boron stated that he thinks it is a twenty-mile radius.

Council Member Joaquin stated that what he wants to know is if there is a preventative maintenance plan for it so we are not hit with a list of repairs that need to be done in order for it to stay on the road.

Administrator Trush stated that we can put something in place for a yearly maintenance plan and check-up.

ATTORNEY'S REPORT

None

MAYOR'S REPORT

Mayor Cox discussed Approving Assessing Contract, Approving printing of water pamphlets – Trenton Printing, and Emergency Repair – Police Department thermostat.

M-111-24 Motion by Wasner/Bennett to approve the assessor contract.

Ayes: Mayor Cox, Council Members Bennett, Cramton, Mercure, and Wasner

Nays: Council Members Grzywacz, and Joaquin

Motion Carried

M-112-24 Motion by Wasner/Joaquin to approve the cost of \$566.00 payable to Trenton Printing Inc. for water pamphlets.

Council Member Grzywacz asked why we were going with Trenton Printing.

Mayor Cox stated that Trenton Printing Inc. is who the city normally uses. He has not had a chance to research other places.

Council Member Grzywacz stated that she did research when she was campaigning, and Trenton Printing Inc. is by far the most expensive for a full color pamphlet of this size. Council Member Grzywacz recommends in the future that we look at other companies.

Ayes are unanimous.

Motion Carried

M-113-24 Motion by Wasner/Bennett to approve the payment of \$1,048.40 to replace the thermostat in the Police Department.

Ayes are unanimous.

Motion Carried

OLD BUSINESS

Council Member Joaquin wanted to remind everyone of the Memorial Day Parade on May 27, 2024, The City Council, Mayor, and the Community have worked hard making this happen so come out and enjoy a day of remembrance.

Council Member Wasner asked where the participants of the parade will need to park.

DPW Director Boron stated that if you are walking in the parade you can park at the Community Center and the Senior Van will shuttle you to Lamont St. to line up.

Council Member Joaquin asked where the vehicles/trailers should park to lineup.

Mayor Cox stated that they are working on that now, but the lineup will be on Lamont St.

Council Member Grzywacz asked how long it has been since we have had a Memorial Day Parade.

Council Member Wasner stated that it was just before COVID hit. Whenever the Railroad told us that they would not shut down the tracks for us to safely crossover. That was the main reason for stopping the parade.

Council Member Mercure stated that it has been 5-6 years.

Council Member Joaquin wanted to thank the Beautification Committee as well. The city looks good. If there is anyone that would like to volunteer to help out, more hands make lite work.

Mayor Cox also would like to thank the Beautification Committee for all that they are doing. They will be sprucing up Mercure Park for Memorial Day as well.

Council Member Grzywacz stated that they will be at Mercure Park this Saturday at 10 AM planting lilies and hanging decorations for the parade and such.

NEW BUSINESS

Council Member Wasner asked if the workshops would be televised from now on. He was wondering if that was a special occasion because of dispatch.

Mayor Cox stated that it was televised because of dispatch, and he wanted the public to be involved.

ADJOURNMENT

M-114-24 Motion by Wasner/Bennett to adjourn this evening's Council Meeting at 7:24 PM

Ayes are unanimous.

Motion Carried

City Clerk, Colleen E. Oney

Mayor, Troy A. Cox