

**MINUTES**  
**Plainwell City Council**  
**March 28, 2016**

1. Mayor Brooks called the regular meeting to order at 7:01 PM.
2. Invocation: None
3. Pledge of Allegiance was given by all present.
4. Roll Call: Present: Mayor Brooks, Mayor Pro-Tem Overhuel, Councilwoman Steele, Councilman Keeney and Councilman Keeler. Absent: None
5. Approval of Minutes/Summary:  
**A motion by Steele, supported by Overhuel, to accept and place on file the Council Minutes and Summary of the 03/14/2016 regular meeting. On voice vote, all voted in favor. Motion passed.**
6. General Public / County Commissioner:  
State Representative Mary Whiteford gave an update from Lansing.  
  
Heard from County Commissioner Don Black.
7. Agenda Amendments:  
None
8. Mayor's Report  
None.
9. Recommendations and Reports:
  - A. Superintendent Updike presented a request to continue treating the City Ash Trees for Emerald Ash Borer.  
**A motion by Steele, supported by Keeler, approving Honey Tree Nursery to treat the City Ash Trees for \$3,600. On a roll vote, all in favor. Motion Carried**
  - B. **A motion by Keeler, seconded by Overhuel to authorize the Staff to commit for up to 350 tons of road salt for the 2016/2017 season. On a roll call vote, all in favor. Motion passed.**
  - C. **A motion by Keeler, seconded by Keeney to adopt Resolution 16-08 to apply for a Recreation Passport Grant administered by the Michigan Department of Natural Resources (DNR) for \$45,000 with \$15,000 in matching City funds to build a permanent restroom in Sherwood Park. On a voice vote, all in favor. Motion passed.**

10. Communications:

**A motion by Steele, seconded by Overhuel to accept and place on file the 2/16 Water Renewal Report and the 12/17/2015 Inter-Municipal Sewer Meeting Minutes. On a voice vote, all in favor. Motion passed.**

11. Accounts Payable:

**A motion by Keeler, supported by Keeney that the bills be allowed and orders drawn in the amount of \$86,471.99 for payment of same. On a roll call vote, all in favor. Motion passed.**

12. Public Comments

None

13. Staff Comments

Treasurer Kelley reported he had settlement with the County on March 2<sup>nd</sup> and it went well. He is working on budget.

HR Manager Lamorandier reported she was working on budget, the new DPW labor Contract coming up in June and Seasonal employee interviews.

Superintendent Updike stated that the new truck arrived.

ED Manager Siegel reported that the old Elle building has been leased with a June 1 opening date. The new business is a retail furniture shop.

The Rec plan has been approved and she reminded everyone that the Chamber Dinner is tomorrow night at Lake Doster.

Director Bonar recounted where our officers recovered some stolen wheels and tires from Midway and there were several other agency's interested in the suspects for the same crime in their jurisdictions. The city officers did a good job.

The Chief attended a meeting with the schools concerning safety concerns with E-cigarettes and vapor pens. Students are using them to smoke marijuana.

Wednesday morning the DPS will be holding an EOC drill using our building as the alternative headquarters. He invited the Commissioners down to observe.

Clerk Farmer stated she was glad to be back and hopes she will be here on a regular basis again. She thanked Treasurer Kelley for holding the fort down while she was absent. He did a great job!

Manager Wilson thanked Treasurer Kelley for the good job he has done.

He commended ED Manager Denise Siegel for the great job she did on the Recreation plan with the very short timeline.

14. Council Comments:

Councilman Overhuel reported that this year's Easter Egg Hunt was a big success and was well attended

15. Adjournment:

**A motion by Steele, supported by Keeler to adjourn the meeting at 7:32 PM. On voice vote, all voted in favor. Motion passed.**

Minutes respectfully

Submitted by,

Noreen Farmer

City Clerk