

# City of Plainwell



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## AGENDA

**Plainwell City Council**  
**Monday, April 14, 2025 - 7:00PM**  
**Plainwell City Hall Council Chambers**

1. **Call to Order**
2. **Invocation**
3. **Pledge of Allegiance**
4. **Roll Call**
5. **Approval of Minutes** – 03/24/2025 Regular Meeting
6. **Public Comments**
7. **County Commissioner Report**
8. **Agenda Approval**
9. **Mayor's Report**
10. **Recommendations and Reports:**
  - A. **City – Special Event Permit – Color Our World Fun Run/Walk**  
Council will consider approving the Special Event Permit as presented.
  - B. **WR – Replacement of Grit Pump Motor**  
Council will consider approving the replacement of the Grit pump Wilo Motor by Jett Pump & Valve LLC for \$12,218.18.
  - C. **City – First Right of Refusal to Purchase Buildings #17 and #18**  
Council will consider forgoing exercising the City's right of first refusal to purchase buildings #17 and #18 of the mill complex from GHD, pending the execution of the Right of First Refusal, Utility Access Easement, Amendment to the existing common area easement and party wall agreement, and the Agreement regarding right of first refusal between the City and BizEX Ventures. Further authorize the City Manager and City Attorney to take any steps reasonably necessary to effectuate the execution of the agreements subject to this motion.
11. **Communications:** The March 2025 Investment and Fund Balance reports.
12. **Accounts Payable - \$133,416.06**
13. **Public Comments**
14. **Staff Comments**
15. **Council Comments**
16. **Adjournment**

Agenda Subject to Change

Note: All public comment limited to two minutes, when recognized please rise and give your name and address.  
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## Reports & Communications:

### A. City – Special Event Permit – Color Our World Fun Run/Walk

Ransom District Library plans to host this free event on Saturday, June 7<sup>th</sup>, 2025 from 10am-12pm. The Color Run/Walk will begin at the library, located at 180 S. Sherwood in Plainwell. Special colored powder will be available to spectators at designated stations along the route to throw at the runners. There is a mini run (250 yards) planned for kids age 3-8 that will end near the basketball courts in Sherwood Park. Routes and color stations are shown on the included map.

**Recommended action:** Consider approving the Special Event Permit as presented.

### B. WR – Replacement of Grit Pump Motor

The pump is a 2009 model. Two previous attempts to rebuild the Wilo pump motor have failed. Replacing the entire pump is ~\$20,000, however because the pump itself is in good condition, only the motor requires replacement.

**Recommended action:** Council will consider approving the replacement of the Grit pump Wilo Motor by Jett Pump & Valve LLC for \$12,218.18.

### C. City – First Right of Refusal to Purchase Buildings #17 and #18

The city of Plainwell has the opportunity to purchase buildings #17 and #18 from GHD for the same price offered by BizEX, currently \$326,000.00. BizEX and the City have worked together to draft agreements that codify existing practices, and grant new rights of access to Building 17 and a say in how Building #18 looks, effectively solving any concerns the City had.

**Recommended action:** Consider forgoing exercising the City's right of first refusal to purchase buildings #17 and #18 of the mill complex from GHD, pending the execution of the Right of First Refusal, Utility Access Easement, Amendment to the existing common area easement and party wall agreement, and the Agreement regarding right of first refusal between the City and BizEX Ventures. Further authorize the City Manager and City Attorney to take any steps reasonably necessary to effectuate the execution of the agreements subject to this motion.

## Reminder of Upcoming Meetings

- April 16, 2025 – Planning Commission – 6:30pm
- April 17, 2025 – Parks & Trees – 5:00pm
- **April 28, 2025 – City Council – 7:00pm**

## Non-Agenda Items / Materials Transmitted

- Notice of Public Hearing – Michigan Gas Utilities – May 07, 2025 10:00am