

**MINUTES**  
**Plainwell City Council**  
**February 22, 2021**

1. Mayor Keeler called the regular meeting to order at 7:00 PM on the Zoom Meeting Application as per Senate Bill 1108.
2. Peter Dams of Lighthouse Baptist Church gave the invocation.
3. Pledge of Allegiance was recited.
4. Roll Call: Present: Mayor Keeler, Mayor Pro Tem Steele, Councilmember Overhuel, Councilmember Keeney and Councilmember Wisnaski, all attending virtually from Plainwell, Michigan. Absent: None.
5. Approval of Minutes:  
**A motion by Keeney, seconded by Overhuel, to accept and place on file the Council Minutes of the 02/08/2021 regular meeting. On voice vote, all voted in favor. Motion passed.**
6. Public Comment: None.
7. County Commissioner Report: None
8. Agenda Amendments: None
9. Mayor's Report: None
10. Recommendations and Reports:
  - A. City Manager Wilson provided an update on the mill demolition, then reviewed several change orders related to the project. Many of the change orders are still being ironed out and cost estimates were provided for all. Change Order 12 relates to the South Wall of Building 3, which will be exposed upon demolition of Building 9. The Change Order is for installation of a block wall to close in Building 3, with a modification of installing brick over the block to leave the South Wall more aesthetically pleasing. There is a substantial cost difference due to the additional engineering and masonry work. Council discussed the project and debated delaying brick work under the extent of the contingency is known, but agreed this is a big long-term decision that needs to be what's best for the City, which includes the bricks. Council is being asked to approve the Change Order listing with specific direction related to Change Order 12.  
**A motion by Keeney, seconded by Overhuel, to approve the Change Order Summary as presented, including Change Order #12 in an amount not to exceed \$152,000 for structural changes to the South Wall of Building 3.**
11. Communications:
  - A. **A motion by Keeney, seconded by Overhuel, to accept and place on file the January 2021 Public Safety Report. On a voice vote, all in favor. Motion passed.**
12. Accounts Payable:  
**A motion by Wisnaski, seconded by Keeney, that the bills be allowed and orders drawn in the amount of \$677,481.80 for payment of same. On a roll call vote, all in favor. Motion passed.**

13. Public Comments: None

14. Staff Comments:

Personnel Manager Lamorandier reported working on the budget.

Community Development Manager Siegel reported that site plans for a Darby Metal Treatment expansion were approved at the Planning Commission Meeting on February 17, 2021. She also being liaison between PCI and business development at 124 E. Bridge and 712 E. Bridge. She noted that Art Hop will be March 12.

Superintendent Nieuwenhuis reported ongoing snow removal efforts, repairs to frozen water services and noted that Pothole Season will start soon with warmer weather arriving.

Superintendent Pond noted completion of blower repairs at the Treatment Plant.

Director Bomar reported having applied for an \$83,000 Assistance With Firefighting grant which would provide turn-out gear and other apparatus with a 5% city match. He also noted the resumption of training for both public safety and firefighter staff.

Clerk/Treasurer Kelley reported having signed School Election Consolidation Agreements on behalf of the City as required by State Law, and that he continues working on the budget. Property Tax Settlement will occur next week Monday.

15. Council Comments: None

16. Adjournment:

**A motion by Steele seconded by Wisnaski, to adjourn the meeting at 7:37 PM. On voice vote, all voted in favor. Motion passed.**

Minutes respectfully  
Submitted by,  
Brian Kelley  
City Clerk/Treasurer

MINUTES APPROVED BY CITY COUNCIL  
March 8, 2021



Brian Kelley, City Clerk