

MINUTES
Plainwell City Council
April 08, 2024

1. Mayor Keeler called the regular meeting to order at 7:00 PM in City Hall Council Chambers.
2. The invocation was given by Scott Smail of Lighthouse Baptist Church.
3. Pledge of Allegiance was given by all present.
4. Roll Call: Present: Mayor Keeler, Mayor Pro Tem Steele, Councilmember Overhuel, Councilmember Keeney and Councilmember Wisnaski. Absent: None.
5. Approval of Minutes:
A motion by Steele, seconded by Overhuel, to accept and place on file the Council Minutes of the 03/25/2024 regular meeting. On a voice vote, all voted in favor. Motion passed.
6. Public Comment: None
7. County Commissioner Report: None
8. Agenda approval:
A motion by Steele, seconded by Overhuel, to approve the Agenda for the April 8, 2024 meeting as presented. On a voice vote, all voted in favor. Motion passed.
9. Mayor's Report: None.
10. Recommendations and Reports:
 - A. Superintendent Nieuwenhuis discussed painting the front building at the Department of Public works.
A motion by Overhuel, seconded by Steele, approving a contract with Peterson Sons Painting to pressure wash and paint the front building at the DPW in the amount of \$7,010. On a roll call vote, all voted in favor. Motion passed.
 - B. Superintendent Nieuwenhuis discussed the sale of old fencing, poles and gates at auction. Several residents expressed interest in the fencing, and sale at auction provides fair access to those interested.
A motion by Keeney, seconded by Wisnaski, approving the PW to sell fencing, poles and gates at auction. On a roll call vote, all voted in favor. Motion passed.
 - C. City Manager Lakamper discussed the sale of the remaining Industrial lots at 830 Miller Road.
A motion by Wisnaski, seconded by Keeney, amending the listing agreement for the remaining properties at 830 Miller Road to \$40,000.00 per acre, or \$35,000.00 per acre if all remaining 24.86 acres are purchased. On a roll call vote, all voted in favor. Motion passed.
11. Communications:
A motion by Steele, seconded by Overhuel, to accept and place on file the March Investment and Fund Balance reports. On a voice vote, all voted in favor. Motion passed.

12. Accounts Payable:

A motion by Keeney, seconded by Wisnaski, that the bills be allowed and orders drawn in the amount of \$150,285.22 for payment of same. On a roll call vote, all voted in favor. Motion passed.

13. Public Comments: None

14. Staff Comments:

Treasurer/Finance Director Kelley reported working on the budget and working with Clerk Leonard to prepare for the May 7, 2024 election.

Personnel Coordinator Kersten shared that four applications have been received for the Water Renewal Superintendent position.

Superintendent Nieuwenhuis shared that the fire hydrant at Wesco can't be moved as planned. The Water Tower inspection is finished. There was a water main break at the Old Orchard, causing a boil water advisory for some of the residents.

Director Callahan updated Council on the investigation of an incident of diesel fuel being dumped into a drain at Wesco gas station, stating the person responsible has been identified and charged.

Manager Lakamper stated that we have more detailed information on the Old Orchard project, and that he would prefer to be the main point of contact for project information. He shared that a local business had asked about the Mill Property.

15. Council Comments:

Mayor Pro Tem Steele hoped everyone had a good Easter.

Councilmember Overhuel mentioned receiving a phishing email that appeared to be from Mayor Keeler, and reminded everyone to be cautious.

16. Adjournment:

A motion by Steele, seconded by Overhuel, to adjourn the meeting at 7:29 PM. On a voice vote, all voted in favor. Motion passed.

Minutes respectfully
Submitted by,
JoAnn Leonard
City Clerk

MINUTES APPROVED BY CITY COUNCIL
April 22, 2024



JoAnn Leonard, City Clerk