

MINUTES
Plainwell City Council
December 14, 2020

1. Mayor Keeler called the regular meeting to order at 7:00 PM on the Zoom Meeting Application as per Senate Bill 1108.
2. Pledge of Allegiance was recited.
3. Roll Call: Present: Mayor Keeler, Mayor Pro Tem Steele, Councilmember Overhuel (joined the meeting at 7:02pm), Councilmember Keeney and Councilmember Wisnaski, all attending virtually from Plainwell, Michigan. Absent: None.
4. Approval of Minutes:
A motion by Keeney, seconded by Steele, to accept and place on file the Council Minutes of the 11/23/2020 regular meeting. On voice vote, all voted in favor. Motion passed.
5. Public Comment: None.
6. Presentation:
Public Safety Director Bill Bomar provided a history of Public Safety Officers Jim Pell and David Rantz, both of whom recently celebrated 25 years of full-time service to Plainwell.
7. County Commissioner Report:
Public Safety Director Bomar reporting having heard from County Commission Rick Cain about an upcoming vaccination event for first responders being coordinated by the Allegan County Sheriff's Department. The details are still being worked out with the city's Covid policy and human resources.
8. Agenda Amendments: None
9. Mayor's Report:
Mayor Keeler noted how the city benefits from Officers Pell and Rantz and thanked them for their service.
10. Recommendations and Reports:
 - A. Superintendent Pond gave a report about a computerized monitoring system (SCADA) for the water renewal system that provides alarms and alerts at various times. The system has become unreliable and needed upgrade to a main computer with more power and the ability to be operational constantly. The city partners with Perceptive Control to program and update the software used in the system, which also needed upgrading. Under the emergency provisions of the Purchasing Ordinance, the project was approved and now needs Council confirmation.
A motion by Overhuel, seconded by Wisnaski, to confirm an emergency project with Perceptive Controls to upgrade hardware and software for the Water Renewal SCADA system at a cost not to exceed of \$6,000.00. On a roll call vote, all voted in favor. Motion passed.
11. Communications:
 - A. **A motion by Steele, seconded by Overhuel, to accept and place on file the November 2020 Investment and Fund Balance Reports. On a voice vote, all 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 \$218,429.91 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 staying on top of changes with the Covid policy.

Superintendent Nieuwenhuis reported his department is prepped and ready for snow.

Superintendent Pond reminded Council that the SAW Grant is nearing completion and he will use reports to plan future funding needs.

Community Development Manager Siegel reported review plans and working on projects.

Director Bomar reported the city's EMS Licensing has been renewed with thanks to Officer Rantz. Deputy Director Varley gave a report on the Virtual Shop With a Hero event held last week.

Clerk/Treasurer Kelley reported having finished the year-end financial audit and working on an upcoming workers comp audit. Upcoming projects include budget preparation and rolling out a new Chart of Accounts.

City Manager Wilson reported having received a draft schedule from Melching projecting the completion of demolition for early March 2021. He noted the city is internally dealing with Covid issues and thanked Officers Pell and Rantz for their service.

15. Council Comments:

Council each thanked Officers Pell and Rantz. Councilmembers Overhuel and Wisnaski inquired about noise from garbage collections at early-morning hours.

16. Adjournment:

A motion by Keeney, seconded by Wisnaski, to adjourn the meeting at 7:28 PM. On voice vote, all voted in favor. Motion passed.

Minutes respectfully

Submitted by,

Brian Kelley

City Clerk/Treasurer

MINUTES APPROVED BY CITY COUNCIL

December 28, 2020



Brian Kelley, City Clerk