

**MINUTES**  
**Plainwell City Council**  
**January 22, 2018**

1. Mayor Brooks called the regular meeting to order at 7:00 PM in City Hall Council Chambers.
2. Terry Steele gave the invocation.
3. Pledge of Allegiance was given by all present.
4. Roll Call: Present: Mayor Brooks, Mayor Pro-Tem Steele, Councilman Overhuel, Councilman Keeler and Councilman Keeney. Absent: None.
5. Approval of Minutes/Summary:  
**A motion by Steele, seconded by Overhuel, to accept and place on file the Council Minutes and Summary of the 01/08/2018 regular meeting. On voice vote, all voted in favor. Motion passed.**

6. General Public Comments:

EJ Hart spoke on behalf of the Otsego-Plainwell Chamber of Commerce thanking the City of Plainwell for its involvement in the Chamber. He noted the Chamber is working on adding responsibilities for its community including ribbon cuttings. He suggested perhaps a joint meeting with the DDA Board.

7. County Commissioner Report: None.
8. Agenda Amendments: None
9. Mayor's Report: None.
10. Recommendations and Reports:

- A. Community Development Manager Siegel reported on an application from Auto Image for a special use permit to allow a Class B Automobile Dealer License. The Planning Commission reviewed the application and required the business sell no more than five (5) vehicles per year. This license is needed for insurance purposes for the businesses.  
**A motion by Keeney, seconded by Keeler, to approve the Special Use Permit for Auto Image at 922 Wakefield Ave for a Class B Automotive Dealer Licenses. On a voice vote, all in favor. Motion passed.**
- B. Superintendent Updike reported on the budgeted cost of road salt that is being purchased.  
**A motion by Steele, seconded by Keeler, to approve up to 290 tons of road salt from Morton International, through the MIDeal Purchasing Program for \$11,718.00. On a roll-call vote, all in favor. Motion passed.**
- C. City Manager Wilson reported on a change to the equipment needed for the Prince Street Signal Improvement netting a cost increase of \$2,155.00.  
**A motion by Keeler, seconded by Keeney, to approve Contract Modification #1 for \$2,155.00 for the Prince Street Signal Improvement Project. On a roll-call vote, all in favor. Motion passed.**
- D. City Manager Wilson reported on a 2006 contract when the city sold the restaurant it owned on the airport land to Richard and Cathy Dunn. That contract included a clause giving the city a right of first refusal for the sale the property. The Duns are retiring and selling the business and the city needs to respond to the right of refusal clause.  
**A motion by Keeler, seconded by Steele, to discharge the City's Right of First Refusal regarding the sale of the Fly Inn Restaurant, authorizing the City Manager to execute all documents related to the approved action. On a voice vote, all in favor. Motion passed.**

11. Communications:

**A. A motion by Steele, seconded by Overhuel, to accept and place on file the December 2017 Water Renewal Report, the Draft Minutes for the Planning Commission from 01/17/2018 and the Draft Minutes for the M40/M89 Corridor Committee from 10/31/2017. On a voice vote, all in favor. Motion passed.**

12. Accounts Payable:

**A motion by Keeler, seconded by Keeney, that the bills be allowed and orders drawn in the amount of \$517,484.21 for payment of same. On a roll call vote, all in favor. Motion passed.**

13. Public Comments None.

14. Staff Comments

Superintendent Updike reported putting the Skid Steer vehicle on the auction site for a February 20, 2018 sale with a minimum bid of \$8,000.

Superintendent Pond reported problems with the SCADA computer that needs replacement at an approximate cost of \$3,000.

Community Development Manager Siegel reported planning for the March Art Hop. She also reported that requests for bids have been issued for fencing at the Dog Park – the bids are due February 7, 2018. She reported a January 25, 2018 meeting to kick off a sesquicentennial celebration committee for Plainwell's 150<sup>th</sup> birthday in 2019. Finally, she reported that Sweetwater's will host a hiring event at City Hall Council Chambers on January 30 from 1pm to 6pm..

Director Bomar reported on several recent trainings.

Clerk/Treasurer Kelley reported setting up the 2018/2019 budget and reviewing election laws.

15. Council Comments: None

16. Adjournment:

**A motion by Steele, seconded by Overhuel, to adjourn the meeting at 7:20 PM. On voice vote, all voted in favor. Motion passed.**

Minutes respectfully  
Submitted by,  
Brian Kelley  
City Clerk/Treasurer