

MINUTES
Plainwell City Council
July 25, 2016

1. Mayor Brooks called the regular meeting to order at 7:00 PM in City Hall Council Chambers.
2. Invocation was given by Scott Fenner of Lighthouse Baptist Church.
3. Pledge of Allegiance was given by all present.
4. Roll Call: Present: Mayor Brooks, Mayor Pro-Tem Overhuel, Councilman Keeney and Councilwoman Steele. Absent: Councilman Keeler.
5. Approval of Minutes/Summary:
A motion by Steele, supported by Overhuel, to accept and place on file the Council Minutes and Summary of the 07/11/2016 regular meeting. On voice vote, all voted in favor. Motion passed.
6. General Public / County Commissioner:
Don Black, County Commissioner, asked for feedback about anyone's issues with security at the Allegan County Courthouse. He also noted that the new Allegan County Road Commission Building has begun operation and is a nice facility.
7. Agenda Amendments: None.
8. Mayor's Report
Mayor Brooks reminded everyone about the August 2, 2016 election and encouraged everyone to get out and vote.
9. Recommendations and Reports:
 - A. City Manager Wilson introduced Marcus Taylor of the city's Parks & Trees Committee who shared with Council some ideas for a dog park located at Thurl Cook Park. Mr. Taylor noted that the Committee has been in discussions for some time and has identified a location inside the Park, has developed a draft budget and is seeking grant funding. Upon discussion, there are plans for trees in the dog area as well as multiple entry points for both large and small dogs.
A motion by Steele, supported by Overhuel to approve the concept plans for a City Dog Park located at Thurl Cook Park. On a voice vote, all in favor. Motion passed.
 - B. Superintendent Updike briefed Council on the need for additional parts inventory for the upcoming approved paving projects on Naomi, Melrose and Mariette, and provided Council with a timeline for purchase and installation.
A motion by Steele, supported by Overhuel, to approve the purchase of new casting parts as necessary from East Jordan Iron Works in the amount of \$4,356.95. On a roll-call vote, all in favor. Motion passed.

C. City Manager Wilson briefed Council on a project to clean and paint hangars at the airport. The project is included in the current budget and the recommended bidder is a local vendor.

A motion by Overhuel, supported by Steele, to approve the proposal from Ron's Painting for cleaning and painting 12 hangars at the airport in the amount of \$9,350.00. On a roll-call vote, all in favor. Motion passed.

D. Treasurer Kelley informed Council of certain 2015/2016 approved purchases that could not be completed before the June 30, 2016 year-end that need to be "moved" into the current operating budget by amendment.

A motion by Keeney, supported by Steele, to approve the budget amendment to for 2015/2016 purchases carried over into the 2016/2017 budget. On a roll-call vote, all in favor. Motion passed.

10. Communications:

A motion by Steele, seconded by Overhuel to accept and place on file June 2016 WR and DPS reports. On a voice vote, all in favor. Motion passed.

11. Accounts Payable:

A motion by Keeney, supported by Steele that the bills be allowed and orders drawn in the amount of \$236,981.92 for payment of same. On a roll call vote, all in favor. Motion passed.

12. Public Comments

None.

13. Staff Comments

Superintendent Pond reported that he was working on bids for upcoming capital projects.

Superintendent Updike reminded Council of a SAW Grant application from 2013 that has been approved by the State for funding during the State's 2017/2018 budget year, beginning October 2017. The city will be able to use the funds for asset management, GIS, Storm & Sanitary Sewer televising and cleaning, but not for construction. He will bring the original budget to Council for re-consideration at a future time.

Economic Development Manager Siegel informed Council that a public hearing was set for September 7, 2016 for the Master Plan Update. She reminded Council of the July 29 and 30 events downtown, including Music Trail, Sidewalk Sales and Movies in the Park.

Chief Bomar noted the he met with the new Plainwell Community Schools Superintendent. He briefed Council that the recently purchased fire truck was on-site and should be in service within a week. He also thanked Lighthouse Baptist Church for a nice service honoring public servants.

Treasurer Kelley reminded the community of the August 2, 2016 election and that the polls would be open from 7am to 8pm. He also noted that he was working on the year-end audit.

14. Council Comments:

Councilwoman Steele also thanked Lighthouse Baptist Church for the Public Servants Day.

15. Adjournment:

A motion by Steele, supported 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

Deputy City Clerk/City Treasurer