

**MINUTES**  
**Plainwell City Council**  
**September 9, 2019**

1. Mayor Keeler called the regular meeting to order at 7:00 PM in City Hall Council Chambers.
2. Matt Hooper from Lighthouse Baptist Church gave the invocation.
3. Pledge of Allegiance was given by all present.
4. Roll Call: Present: Mayor Keeler, Mayor Pro Tem Steele, Councilmember Keeney, Councilmember Overhuel and Councilmember Wisnaski. 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 08/26/2019 regular meeting. On voice vote, all voted in favor. Motion passed.**
6. Dale Burnham, 201 Prairie St, noted discussions around town to honor Mayor Brooks. He reported having heard several options including renaming Sherwood Park or the downtown plaza in the Mayor's honor. While the details have yet to be worked out, he recommended Council offer a motion for the concept of renaming a section of town to honor Mayor Brooks. Councilmember Overhuel said the downtown plaza was a great idea, since the Mayor always enjoyed lighting the Christmas Tree there.  
**A motion by Keeney, seconded by Overhuel, to agree in concept to rename the downtown plaza near the Fountain and Campbell's in honor of Mayor Rick Brooks, with details to follow. On a voice vote, all in favor. Motion passed.**
7. County Commissioner Report:  
Commissioner Rick Cain reported that the County had voted to move forward with modifications to the Courthouse facility and that plans are being drafted.
8. Agenda Amendments: None.
9. Mayor's Report:  
Mayor Keeler noted recent birthdays for Mayor Pro Tem Lori Steele and City Clerk Brian Kelley. He also reported the Paul Warnament had suffered a stroke and asked for prayers for the family. Finally, he reported that the City Manager's evaluation resulted in a 4.97 mark out of a possible 5.00 grade. He noted Manager Wilson is an asset to the community and that he handles the city's money as if it were his own.  
  
City Manager Wilson thanked the Council for their support and said that he loves this community and he thanked the staff.
10. Recommendations and Reports:
  - A. City Manager Wilson noted that as part of the grant application for mill demolition, a public meeting was required, and that it had been some time since the public had an update. He also reported wanting the public's input regarding co-locating power poles, currently along the river, to the north side of M-89. It was suggested September 26 for the public meeting.

**A motion by Steele, seconded by Wisnaski, to set a public meeting for Thursday, September 26, 2019 at 7:00pm in Council Chambers for a Mill Demolition Grant Update. 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 August 2019 Investment and Fund Balance Reports. On a voice vote, all in favor. Motion passed.**

12. Accounts Payable:

**A motion by Keeney, seconded by Steele, that the bills be allowed and orders drawn in the amount of \$318,420.29 for payment of same. On a roll call vote, all in favor. Motion passed.**

13. Public Comments: None

14. Staff Comments:

Community Development Manager Siegel reported a vintage baseball game will take place September 21 and that the Sherwood Park Restroom will be placed on September 16. She also reported on various site plans and business events in the works.

Superintendent Pond recognized Jeff Gilliland for 20 years of service.

Public Safety Director Bomar briefed Council about active assailant drill trainings.

Clerk/Treasurer Kelley reported that absent voter applications were mailed over the weekend and that the financial auditors will be onsite next week (week of September 16).

15. Council Comments:

Council all thanked Dale Burnham and Pat Shannon for their input in honoring Mayor Brooks.

16. Adjournment:

**A motion by Steele, seconded by Overhuel, to adjourn the meeting at 7:27 PM. On voice vote, all voted in favor. Motion passed.**

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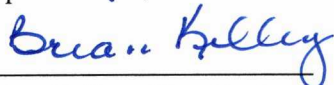
Submitted by,

Brian Kelley

City Clerk/Treasurer

MINUTES APPROVED BY CITY COUNCIL

September 23, 2019



Brian Kelley, City Clerk