CITY OF HART
407 S. STATE ST.
HART, MI 49420
COUNCIL PROCEEDINGS - AMENDED
JANUARY 8, 2019, 7:30 P.M.

PRESENT: Mayor Ron LaPorte, Councilors: Joe Frontiera, Steve Hegedus, Rob Splane, Jason La Fever and Vicki Platt.
ABSENT: ~~Jason La Fever~~ and Patrice Martin
OTHERS PRESENT: City Manager – Lynne Ladner, City Attorney – Julie Springstead, Energy Department Superintendent – Mike Schiller, BioPure Superintendent – Paul Cutter, DPW Superintendent – Brad Whitney and Deputy Clerk - Cheri Eisenlohr. See attached list for others in attendance.

Mayor LaPorte called the meeting to order at 7:30 p.m., following the roll call, the Mayor lead the Council in the pledge of allegiance.

A motion was made by Mr. La Fever to approve the agenda and supported by Mr.Hegedus. The minutes from December 18, 2018, regular meeting, were approved with corrections motioned by Ms. Platt and supported by Mr. Splane. All ayes, both motions were carried.

- Corrections are:
  - Ms. Platt asked about Ordinance 2019 – the paragraph below was to be omitted.

~~(B) Any applicant for a state or local license to establish a marihuana establishment, as defined by the Act, within the boundaries of the City shall be deemed to be not in compliance with this Ordinance or with the Code of Ordinances amended by this Ordinance.~~

  - ~~o~~ Brackets in the body of the ordinance are typos per Ms. Ladner
  - Mayor LaPorte asked that his statements regarding marijuana and the state of Colorado be clarified to state:
    - "The state raided 30 dispensaries that were operating that did not have licenses, and they were shut down."

PUBLIC COMMENTS, CORRESPONDENCE, EVENTS, PRESENTATIONS:

- MEDC Grant for the Pocket Park: The MEDC is interested in funding the park improvements, the City's portion will be $100,000.00 and $50,000.00 from the TIFA account. The project is estimated to cost $350,000.00.
- An application will be submitted again for a grant to make the proposed improvements to the Veterans Park.
  - Ms. Ladner needs a letter from Pentwater Outfitters stating their interest in using the lake for water sports.
  - Prein and Newhof will look into ways to improve the City's scoring for the next grant go-round.
- Ms. Platt stated that the New Year's Eve Ball Drop was a success.

DEPARTMENT REPORTS:

- BioPure Superintendent, Paul Cutter:
  - He thanked those who attended the January 3 tour.

- Kennedy Industries will be meeting with him on February 12 to discuss a new SCADA system.
- Discussed the blower report that he provided.
- Ms. Ladner stated that the BioPure board would be meeting more frequently due to the need for a new rate study being needed to assess sewer and water fees.

- Police Chief, Juan Salazar: Absent
- DPW Superintendent, Brad Whitney:
  - There was a styrene hit in a well in November. ACT 399 requires the City to do two quarterly water samples. The last sample did not detect any styrene.
  - The loose boat has been removed from the lake.
  - Low tree branches are being trimmed to allow for the plow trucks.
  - Performing vehicle maintenance.
  - There have been very few Miss Digs.
  - Reading meters.
  - Removed all Christmas decorations within the City.
  - Picked up Christmas trees within the City.
- Energy Superintendent – Mike Schiller:
  - Three-phase was installed in a retail shop on Oceana and Polk Rd.
  - A guy wire was installed at Harrison
  - A new transformer was installed on Jefferson
  - New roadway lighting was installed at Seneca Foods
  - The new digger-derrick is on premises for anyone that wants to see it
- Mainstreet Manager, Julie Kreilick: Absent

REPORTS OF BOARDS, COMMISSIONS, AND COMMITTEES:

None

BILLS, CLAIMS, PAYROLL:

Ms. Ladner pointed out the following invoices to the attention of the Council:

- Changes were made to the "Payroll Amount" report in that employee's names were removed, and codes are being used to identify the employees. This document is a FOIAable document, and by eliminating the employee names, it provides a measure of privacy.
  $13,961.50 – Empire Roofing
  $8,899.00 - Penz

Bills totaled: $359,354.21 Payroll totaled: $170,048.91 Grand Total: $529,403.12

A motion was made by Mr. Splane and supported by Mr. Hegedus to approve bills, claims and payroll in the amount stated.

Ayes: ~~5~~ 6 Nay: 0 Absent: ~~2~~ 1

Ms. Platt asked why some items were in bold and italic on the payroll sheet. It was explained that those amounts were salaried amounts that very rarely changed.

ACTION ITEMS:

City Manager, Lynne Ladner presented the following:

RESOLUTION 19-01
City Council
City of Hart, Michigan
Oceana County

AUTHORIZE SUBMISSION OF THE AUDIT CORRECTIVE ACTION PLAN

WHEREAS, the City of Hart received notice from the Department of Treasury requiring that a Corrective Action Plan be submitted to address deficiencies identified by the auditors; and

WHEREAS, the Corrective Action Plan has been developed and reviewed by the Finance Committee for submission by the January 12, 2019 deadline;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT THE HART CITY COUNCIL:

Authorizes submitting Audit Corrective Action Plan to the Department of Treasury

Moved by Ms. Splane, supported by Mr. Hegedus, and thereafter adopted by the Hart City Council at a regular meeting held on Tuesday, January 8, 2019

Ayes: ~~5~~ 6 Nays: 0 Absent: ~~2~~ 1

I hereby certify this to be a true and correct copy of the document on file with the office of the City of Hart Clerk.

Cheri Eisenlohr

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Cheri Eisenlohr, Deputy Clerk

RESOLUTION 19-02
City Council
City of Hart, Michigan
Oceana County

ADOPT THE CITY OF HART'S PY 19/20 POWER POSITION AGREEMENT AND 4-YEAR POWER FORECAST

WHEREAS, the City of Hart relies on the expertise and experience of the staff at MPPA to provide knowledgeable recommendations for the purchase of power and future forecasting, and

WHEREAS, the MPPA have submitted their PY 19/20 Power Position Agreement recommendation and the 4-year power forecast through PY22/23 which has been reviewed by the power board;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT THE HART CITY COUNCIL:

Adopts the City of Hart's PY19/20 Power Position Agreement and 4-year Power Forecast

Moved by Mr. Frontiera, supported by Ms. Platt, and thereafter adopted by the Hart City Council at a regular meeting held on Tuesday, January 8, 2019
Ayes: ~~5~~ 6 Nays: 0 Absent: ~~2~~ 1

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Cheri Eisenlohr

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Cheri Eisenlohr, Deputy Clerk

RESOLUTION 19-03
City Council
City of Hart, Michigan
Oceana County

AUTHORIZE THE PURCHASE OF A 1500KV TRANSFORMER FOR THE GRAY & CO PROJECT AT A COST OF $19,959

WHEREAS, the City of Hart Energy department is working with Gray & Co on the expansion of their business within the city limits; and

WHEREAS, the size and scope of the project require the purchase and placement of a new 1500KV transformer to service the building;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT THE HART CITY COUNCIL:

Authorizes the purchase of a 1500KV transformer for the Gray & Co project at a cost of $19,519.

Moved by Mr. La Fever, supported by Mr. Frontiera, and thereafter adopted by the Hart City Council at a regular meeting held on Tuesday, January 8, 2019

Ayes: ~~5~~ 6 Nays: 0 Absent: ~~2~~ 1

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SPECIAL EVENTS PERMIT: None
DISCUSSION ITEMS:

- Authorize the City Manager to accompany the Main Street Director to the National Main Street Conference as part of the Main Street initiative to increase the involvement of the Community Administrators in the Main Street Program, March 25-27, 2019
    - Ms. Ladner received approval to attend the Main Street Meeting. Ms. Platt made a motion to approve, supported by Mr. Splane, all ayes, the motion carried.

CITY MANAGER REPORT:

- None

CITY ATTORNEY'S REPORT:

- None

COMMUNICATIONS FROM THE MAYOR AND COUNCIL:

- Mr. Frontiera would like to use the pocket park for an ice skating area. Not a feasible use for the area. Mr. Frontiera would also like to see the former Forner property at Veteran's park to be used as a recreational area.
- Mayor LaPorte complimented George Sadler on the Ball Drop Event.
- Ms. Platt asked if there was any type of award/recognition system in place for homeowners that improve their property. Mayor LaPorte explained that at one time there was a Beautification committee, but it no longer functions. Ms. Ladner will check into a program such as this.

There being no further business to come before the Council, the meeting adjourned at 8:14 p.m., upon motion by Mr. Frontiera and supported by Ms. Platt. The next regular meeting is January 22, 2019, at 7:30 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted

Cheri Eisenhauer

Deputy City Clerk