

MINUTES
Plainwell City Council
May 28, 2024

1. Mayor Keeler called the regular meeting to order at 7:00 PM in City Hall Council Chambers.
2. Invocation: None.
3. Pledge of Allegiance was given by all present.
4. Roll Call: Present: Mayor Keeler, Mayor Pro Tem Steele, Councilmember Overhuel, Councilmember Keeney and Councilmember Wisnaski. Absent: None.
5. Approval of Minutes:
A motion by Steele, seconded by Overhuel, to accept and place on file the Council Minutes of the 05/13/2024 regular meeting. On a voice vote, all voted in favor. Motion passed.
6. Public Comment: None.
7. County Commissioner Report: None.
8. Agenda approval:
A motion by Steele, seconded by Keeney, to approve the Agenda for the May 28, 2024 meeting as presented. On a voice vote, all voted in favor. Motion passed.
9. Mayor's Report: None.
10. Recommendations and Reports:
 - A. Finance Director/Treasure Kelley discussed the draft BRA/DDA/TIFA budget for fiscal year 2024/2025.
A motion by Overhuel, seconded by Keeney, to approve the draft 2024/2025 BRA/DDA/TIFA budget as presented. On a roll call vote, all voted in favor. Motion passed.
 - B. Finance Director/Treasure Kelley discussed setting a required Public Hearing concerning the 2024/2025 City Budget.
A motion by Keeney, seconded by Wisnaski, to set a Public Hearing for June 24, 2024 at 7pm to consider and adopt the 2024/2025 City Budget. On a roll call vote, all voted in favor. Motion passed.
 - C. City Manager Lakamper discussed a PFAS Settlement Agreement the City is participating in.
A motion by Keeney, seconded by Wisnaski, to authorize the City of Plainwell's participation in the 3M/Dupont Class Action Settlement, and to authorize the City Manager to take all necessary steps to effectuate the settlement. On a voice vote, all in favor. Motion passed.
 - D. City Manager Lakamper discussed two change orders for the Old Orchard Project.
A motion by Wisnaski, seconded by Keeney, to approve Change Orders 1 and 2 for Old Orchard Neighborhood Sanitary Sewer Extension and Water Main Upgrades. On a roll call vote, all voted in favor. Motion passed.
11. Communications:
A motion by Steele, seconded by Overhuel, to accept and place on file the April 2024 DPS Council report, the draft 5/14/24 BRA/DDA/TIFA meeting minutes, the draft 5/15/24 Planning Commission meeting minutes and the draft

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5/16/24 Parks & Trees meeting minutes. On a voice vote, all voted 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 \$302,935.40 for payment of same. On a roll call vote, all voted in favor. Motion passed.

13. Public Comments: None.

14. Staff Comments:

Treasurer/Finance Director Kelley stated that he continues to focus on the budget.

Personnel Coordinator Kersten stated that the open position at Public Safety had been filled. Insurance open enrollment begins in June, with changes taking effect in August.

Superintendent Nieuwenhuis said that City flowers and hanging baskets will be finished this week. He stated that the meeting today concerning the Old Orchard Project went well.

Community Development Manager Siegel stated that the Farmer's Market has several new vendors, and is Thursdays from 3pm – 6:30pm. She is working on Redevelopment Ready requirements which are due in January. The lead abatement project on the Old Mill buildings is complete. She is applying for a 50k grant through T-Mobile to for the fire pit at Brook's Plaza.

Superintendent Pond stated that both clarifying drives need new bearings. The drives are ~20 years old.

Clerk Leonard shared that she is attending several training events next month.

Manager Lakamper shared that there are plans for a kayak launch to be installed at Darryl Park, though there are some land ownership challenges to address first. The prior lead abatement contractor has agreed to reduce their fee. Acceptance of the offer requires Council approval.

15. Council Comments:

Mayor Pro Tem Steele asked where funding to repair or replace the City Clock was coming from.

Council member Keeney said that the Old Orchard Project is going well. He walks the neighborhood daily, and has heard less complaints recently.

16. Adjournment:

A motion by Steele, seconded by Overhuel, to adjourn the meeting at 7:34 PM. On a voice vote, all voted in favor. Motion passed.

Minutes respectfully
Submitted by,
JoAnn Leonard
City Clerk

MINUTES APPROVED BY CITY COUNCIL
June 10, 2024



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