

MINUTES
Plainwell City Council
June 25, 2018

1. Mayor Brooks called the regular meeting to order at 7:00 PM in City Hall Council Chambers.
2. Peter Dams of Lighthouse Baptist Church gave the invocation.
3. Pledge of Allegiance was given by all present.
4. Roll Call: Present: Mayor Brooks, Mayor Pro-tem Steele, Councilman Keeler and Councilman Overhuel.
Absent: Councilman Keeney.
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 06/11/2018 regular meeting and the Council Minutes from the 06/14/2018 Budget Workshop. On voice vote, all voted in favor. Motion passed.
6. General Public Comments:
County Commissioner Candidate Rick Cain introduced himself and gave a brief biography.
7. Presentations:
State Representative Mary Whiteford presented retired DPW Superintendent Rick Updike with a proclamation signed by herself, State Senator Tonya Schuitmaker and Governor Rick Snyder thanking Mr. Updike for his service. Representative Whiteford read the proclamation aloud and Superintendent Updike thanked her and the Council for the opportunities to serve.

Representative Whiteford also gave a brief legislative update highlighting work on the Kalamazoo River Revitalization, auto insurance reforms, revenue sharing (including an additional \$48,580 of road funding for the City of Plainwell), mental health issues and broadband internet access.
8. County Commissioner Report:
County Commissioner Don Black highlighted a recent meeting with the Tribal Council that covered a number of topics and noted the upcoming millage renewal vote for the Commission on Aging.
9. Agenda Amendments: None.
10. Mayor's Report: None
11. Recommendations and Reports:
 - A. Clerk/Treasurer Kelley reported three positions on various boards were up for renewal. Having been in contact with each of the incumbents, each was willing to continue serving.
A motion by Keeler, seconded by Overhuel, to confirm the Mayor's re-appointment of Ted Lewis to the Board of Review, Tracee Dunlap to the DDA Board and Chris Haas to the Planning Commission. On a voice vote, all in favor. Motion passed.
 - B. Clerk/Treasurer Kelley reported that the Plainwell Days Festival had requested to be recognized as a non-profit so that it could make application to the State of Michigan for a gaming license for fundraising purposes. A similar request for the Plainwell Arts Council had been granted in 2013.
A motion by Steele, seconded by Keeler, to adopt Resolution 18-19 recognizing Plainwell Days Festival as a non-profit organization operating in the community. On a voice vote, all in favor. Motion passed.

- C. Superintendent Pond noted that one of the SCADA radios has failed and needs immediate replacement. The original project to replace all the radios was delayed, but one of them failed. The SCADA radios monitor the water and sewer systems and issue alarms as needed to the Superintendents.
A motion by Steele, seconded by Overhuel, to confirm the emergency purchase of two (2) SCADA radios from Kendall Electric for \$3,766.66. On a roll-call vote, all in favor. Motion passed.
- D. Clerk/Treasurer Kelley reminded Council of a 2003 permit issued to, then, Michigan Bell to allow the utility access to the city right of way. The permit is issued under State Statute and is a source of revenue for the city. The permit is good for five (5) years and was renewed by Council in 2008 and 2013. The current permit expires in December 2018 and AT&T has requested the permit be extended.
A motion by Steele, seconded by Keeler, to extend the Right of Way Permit with AT&T under the METRO Act. On a voice vote, all in favor. Motion passed.
- E. Clerk/Treasurer Kelley presented Council with budget amendments for the 2017/2018 budget year to capture re-allocations of appropriations and to capture several known projects affecting use of fund balance.
A motion by Steele, seconded by Keeler, to approve the 2017/2018 budget amendments as presented. On a voice vote, all in favor. Motion passed.
- F. Clerk/Treasurer Kelley presented Council with an updated schedule of fines & fees for the upcoming fiscal year. The only change noted was a peddler's permit issued for less than one month.
A motion by Overhuel, supported by Steele, to adopt Resolution 18-16 Fines & Fees as presented. On a voice vote, all in favor. Motion passed.
- G. **A motion by Steele, supported by Overhuel, to open a public hearing for the 2018/2019 Budget at 7:24pm. On a voice vote, all in favor. Motion passed.**

City Manager Wilson presented Council and the public an overview of the 2018/2019, including capital projects.

A question from the audience regarding the assessed value of city as presented by the City Manager and why that amount has yet to reach the pre-recession level.

A motion by Steele, supported by Overhuel, to close the public hearing at 7:44pm. On a voice vote, all in favor. Motion approved.

A motion by Keeler, supported by Overhuel, to adopt Resolution 18-17, General Appropriations Act and Resolution 18-18, Special & Operating Funds Appropriations for Fiscal Year 2018-2019. On a voice vote, all in favor. Motion passed.

12. Communications:

- A. A motion by Steele, seconded by Overhuel, to accept and place on file the May 2018 Water Renewal Report. On a voice vote, all in favor. Motion passed.**

13. Accounts Payable:

A motion by Keeler, seconded by Steele, that the bills be allowed and orders drawn in the amount of \$119,421.28 for payment of same. On a roll call vote, all in favor. Motion passed.

14. Public Comments None.

15. Staff Comments

Superintendent Pond reported the Hill Street Lift Station replacement would hopefully happen this week.

Clerk/Treasurer Kelley reported having attended Clerk training last week and continues working on elections and year-end. 2018 Summer Property Tax Bills will be issued this week.

16. Council Comments: None.

17. Adjournment:

A motion by Steele, seconded by Keeler, to adjourn the meeting at 7:47 PM. On voice vote, all voted in favor. Motion passed.

Minutes respectfully
Submitted by,
Brian Kelley
City Clerk/Treasurer