

**ESSEXVILLE CITY COUNCIL
REGULAR MEETING
AUGUST 14, 2018 7:00 PM
COUNCIL CHAMBERS**

Mayor Scott Wittbrodt called the REGULAR MEETING of the Essexville City Council held on August 14, 2018 to order at 7:00 PM.

Councilmember Dennis Rondeau, led the Pledge of Allegiance.

ROLL CALL

The following City Council Members were present at the meeting: Jennifer Gradowski, Adam Hughes, John Kustuch, Dennis Rondeau, Russell Tanner, Timothy Weiler, and Mayor Scott Wittbrodt.

ABSENT: None

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Kustuch, Rondeau:

Resolved the agenda be approved as amended, item b under Consent Agenda was moved to item a. under New Business.

YES: Kustuch, Rondeau, Gradowski, Hughes, Tanner, Weiler, Wittbrodt Motion Carried

ABSENT: None

CONSENT AGENDA

Hughes, Weiler:

A. Resolved; City Council hereby approves the minutes of its July 17, 2018 regular meeting, said minutes prepared by the City Clerk and submitted for the City Council's consideration at its August 14, 2018 regular meeting.

YES: Hughes, Weiler, Gradowski, Kustuch, Tanner, Rondeau, Wittbrodt Motion Carried

ABSENT: None

PRESENTATIONS

Representatives from Consumers Energy, Mary Kulis and Lynn Wilson, gave a presentation regarding the decommissioning of the Karn Weadock facility and energy changes.

CITIZEN INPUT

The following citizens addressed the Council:

Denise Rondeau, 704 Langstaff

Timothy Weiler, 805 Main

COUNTY COMMISSIONER'S REPORT

Mr. Michael Lutz, County Commissioner, was not in attendance.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

FINANCE COMMITTEE

PAYMENT OF BILLS

Hughes, Rondeau:

Resolved; that expense vouchers 11 through 12 totaling \$228,397.96 and payroll voucher 13 through 16 totaling \$74,326.79 for a grand total of \$302,724.75 paid as stated.

YES: Hughes, Rondeau, Gradowski, Kustuch, Tanner, Weiler, Wittbrodt Motion Carried

ABSENT: None

LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEE

Councilmember Kustuch had no report.

MUNICIPAL RELATIONS COMMITTEE

Councilmember Tanner had no report.

PARKS AND RECREATION COMMITTEE

Councilmember Gradowski reported the Planning Commission recommended the approval of the site plan for Ransom Essex Park. There was a tree planted in the park and she is trying to get electricity in the park.

PUBLIC IMPROVEMENT COMMITTEE

Councilmember Rondeau had no report.

PUBLIC RELATIONS COMMITTEE

Councilmember Gradowski reported the Cub Appeal Award Committee judged the nominations on August 7th. There was one winner, 311 Plummer, four runner ups, and six honorable mentions. She thanked Van Ooteghem's Farm and Greenhouse for sponsoring the event.

UTILITY AND SPECIAL COMMITTEE

Councilmember Weiler had no report, but foresees a meeting being scheduled to discuss lead pipes.

PLANNING COMMISSION

The Planning Commission met on July 30th where they approved the Ransom Essex Park site plan and changes to the Zoning Ordinance. Mayor Wittbrodt attended the meeting in place of Councilmember Weiler.

DOWNTOWN DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY

No Meeting

MAYOR'S REPORT

Mayor Wittbrodt reported on the following:

- Attended the Planning Commission meeting on July 30th
- Participated in the judging for the Curb Appeal Award on August 7th
- Received a letter from the Michigan Municipal League in regards to left over money in the State's Budget.
- Attended the Ribbon Cutting Ceremony for the community garden at Huntington Place Apartments.

ATTORNEY'S REPORT

City Attorney Pergande discussed the Rental Ordinance that took effect on August 2nd.

CITY MANAGER'S REPORT

City Manager, Dan Hansford, reported on the following:

- Essexville Public Safety Department received a congratulatory letter from the retired Saginaw Police Department Chief, Gerald Cliff, on solving a certain crime case
- Street paving project at the intersection of Pine and Borton
- Mill and fill on Garside Drive
- Decrease in cost of post-retirement health care on retirees 65 years and older
- Jill Reynolds from Waste Management will be at the September meeting with a presentation

- Answered questions from the City Council.

CONSIDERATION OF APPROVING A MILL AND FILL PROJECT ON GARSIDE DRIVE.

Kustuch, Rondeau:

Resolved, the City Council approves the hard quote from Pyramid Paving for the mill and fill of Garside Drive.

YES: Kustuch, Rondeau, Gradowski, Hughes, Tanner, Weiler, Wittbrodt Motion Carried

ABSENT: None

PUBLIC HEARING(S)

None

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

CONSIDERATION OF APPROVING THE RANSOM P. ESSEX PARK SITE PLAN AND TO ALLOW FOR CONSTRUCTION.

Gradowski, Kustuch:

The Planning Commission having met and approved without alteration the City Council’s proposed creation and site plan of the Ransom P. Essex Park to be located on Langstaff Street, I motion that construction of the park be considered authorized and commenced as proposed in the existing site plan.

YES: Gradowski, Kustuch, Hughes, Rondeau, Tanner, Weiler, Wittbrodt Motion Carried

ABSENT: None

NEW BUSINESS

CONSIDERATION OF APPROVING THE APPOINTMENT OF KIMBERLY VAN TIFFLIN AS THE ESSEXVILLE CITY TREASURER.

Weiler, Gradowski:

Resolved; The City Council hereby approves the appointment of Kimberly L. Van Tifflin as the duly sworn Treasurer for the City of Essexville in accordance with the Essexville Charter Article VII, Administrative Service, Section 7.1 paragraph 1 which reads in part “The Manager shall appoint the Clerk, Treasurer, Assessor and Department Heads, subject to confirmation by the Council”.

YES: Weiler, Gradowski, Hughes, Kustuch, Rondeau, Weiler, Wittbrodt Motion Carried

ABSENT: None

INFORMATIONAL COMMUNICATIONS

None

CITIZEN INPUT

The following citizens addressed the Council:

- June Weiler, 314 Main Street
- Russ Tanner, 1411 Borton Avenue

EXECUTIVE SESSION

None

ADJOURNMENT

Hughes, Tanner:

Resolved; that the meeting be adjourned.

YES: Unanimous voice vote

Motion Carried

ABSENT: None

The meeting adjourned at 8:28 pm.

Scott Wittbrodt
Mayor

Sarah Wilcox
City Clerk
