

**ESSEXVILLE CITY COUNCIL
REGULAR MEETING
OCTOBER 9, 2018 7:00 PM
COUNCIL CHAMBERS**

Mayor Scott Wittbrodt called the REGULAR MEETING of the Essexville City Council held on October 9, 2018 to order at 7:00 PM.

Councilmember Jennifer Gradowski, led the Pledge of Allegiance.

ROLL CALL

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

ABSENT: John Kustuch

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Tanner, Hughes:

Resolved the agenda be approved as written.

YES: Tanner, Hughes, Gradowski, Rondeau, Weiler, Wittbrodt

Motion Carried

ABSENT: Kustuch

CONSENT AGENDA

Hughes, Rondeau:

- A. Resolved; City Council hereby approves the minutes of its August 14, 2018 regular meeting, said minutes prepared by the City Clerk and submitted for the City Council's consideration at its September 11, 2018 regular meeting.**
- B. Resolved; pursuant to applicable law and its own policy, the City Council authorizes the Board of Review for the City of Essexville to consider and grant, where appropriate, requests for exemptions from taxation of real property for homesteads of persons in poverty based on the federal income and poverty guidelines.**

YES: Hughes, Tanner, Gradowski, Rondeau, Weiler, Wittbrodt

Motion Carried

ABSENT: Kustuch

CITIZEN INPUT

The following citizens addressed the Council:

Pam Lowe, 1907 Ames Street

PRESENTATIONS

None

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 28 through 29 totaling \$107,275.03 and payroll voucher 30 through 33 totaling \$72,939.13 for a grand total of \$180,214.16 paid as stated.

YES: Hughes, Rondeau, Gradowski, Tanner, Weiler, Wittbrodt

Motion Carried

ABSENT: Kustuch

LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEE

Councilmember Kustuch was not present. No Report

MUNICIPAL RELATIONS COMMITTEE

Councilmember Tanner reported the committee met at 5:00 p.m. before the City Council meeting today. A special city council meeting is scheduled for Monday, October 22nd at 6:00 p.m.

PARKS AND RECREATION COMMITTEE

Councilmember Gradowski reported the committee met on Monday, October 8th with the DPW foreman Jerome Reinke, City Manager Dan Hansford, students and their teacher from Bay-Arenac Community High School to discuss ideas for the Ransom Essex Park.

PUBLIC IMPROVEMENT COMMITTEE

Councilmember Rondeau had no report.

PUBLIC RELATIONS COMMITTEE

Councilmember Gradowski had no report.

UTILITY AND SPECIAL COMMITTEE

Councilmember Weiler had no report.

PLANNING COMMISSION

No Meeting

DOWNTOWN DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY

No Meeting

MAYOR'S REPORT

Mayor Wittbrodt reported on the following:

- Thanked Councilmember Gradowski for her service on the City Council for the last eight years.

ATTORNEY'S REPORT

City Attorney Pergande reported on the use of right of ways by communication companies and answered questions from the councilmembers.

CITY MANAGER'S REPORT

City Manager, Dan Hansford, reported on the following:

- Old DPW building at 1500 Main Street
- Waste Management recycling fee increase
- He will have the County, Village, Township Revenue Sharing (CVTRS) program update for Treasury completed by months end.
- Purchase of newer plow truck
- A secured \$2500.00 tree grant from Consumers Energy for Ransom Essex Park
- Water and sewer bill late fees
- November regular city council meeting will be on Monday, November 19th due to the General Election.
- New exemption forms issued by the State Treasury

PUBLIC HEARING(S)

None

NEW BUSINESS

CONSIDERATION OF ADOPTING ORDINANCE 2018-7 AN ORDINANCE PROHIBITING MARIHUANA ESTABLISHMENTS

Gradowski, Hughes:

Resolved; The Essexville City Council in accordance with Section 1.2 of Chapter 1 of Title I of the Code of Ordinances of the City of Essexville, a new Chapter of the Code of Ordinances is hereby created, which shall be entitled "PROHIBITION OF MARIHUANA ESTABLISHMENTS", and shall be designated Chapter 5 of Title VII of the Code of Ordinances at this the first reading of said Ordinance.

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

ABSENT: Kustuch

CONSIDERATION OF APPROVING THE PURCHASE OF A PLOW TRUCK FROM THE MOTOR VEHICLE FUND.

Hughes, Tanner:

Resolved; the City Council hereby authorizes the City Manager to purchase a 2005 International plow truck a total budget expenditure not to exceed \$40,000.00 (Forty Thousand Dollars).

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

ABSENT: Kustuch

CONSIDERATION OF DECLARING THE 1996 INTERNATIONAL PLOW TRUCK SURPLUS EQUIPMENT.

Weiler, Hughes:

Resolved; the City Council hereby authorizes the City Manager to dispose of the surplus vehicle through a sealed bid process with the funds received being added to the Motor Vehicle Fund.

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

ABSENT: Kustuch

CONSIDERATION OF APPROVING THE USE OF NEWLY ISSUED STATE TREASURY EXEMPTION FORMS BY THE CITY ASSESSOR.

Gradowski, Weiler:

Resolved; the City Council hereby authorizes the City Assessor to adopt the use of the revised forms "APPLICATION FOR PROPERTY TAX EXEMPTION", "CHARITABLE NONPROFIT HOUSING PROPERTY EXEMPTION APPLICATION CHECKLIST" and "APPLICATION FOR EXEMPTION OF CHARITABLE NONPROFIT HOUSING PROPERTY Form Number 5241"

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

ABSENT: Kustuch

INFORMATIONAL COMMUNICATIONS

None

CITIZEN INPUT

The following citizens addressed the Council:

Adam Hughes, 610 Main Street

John Connelly, 10 W. Sharlear

EXECUTIVE SESSION

None

ADJOURNMENT

Hughes, Tanner:

Resolved; that the meeting be adjourned.

YES: Unanimous voice vote

ABSENT: Kustuch

The meeting adjourned at 8:04 pm.

Motion Carried

Scott Wittbrodt
Mayor

Sarah Wilcox
City Clerk
