

**ESSEXVILLE CITY COUNCIL
REGULAR MEETING
April 23, 2019 7:00 PM
COUNCIL CHAMBERS**

Mayor Scott Wittbrodt called the REGULAR MEETING of the Essexville City Council held on April 23, 2019 to order at 7:00 PM.

2019 Dennis Rondeau led the Pledge of Allegiance.

ROLL CALL

The following City Council Members were present at the meeting: John Connelly, Jack Covieo, Dennis Rondeau, Russell Tanner, Timothy Weiler and Mayor Scott Wittbrodt.

ABSENT: Adam Hughes

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Tanner, Covieo:

Resolved the agenda be approved as written.

YES: Unanimous voice vote

Motion Carried

ABSENT: Hughes

CONSENT AGENDA

Weiler, Rondeau:

- A. Resolved; City Council hereby approves the minutes of its March 12, 2019 regular meeting, said minutes prepared by the City Clerk and submitted for the City Council's consideration at its April 23, 2019 regular meeting.**
- B. Resolved; the amendments recommended by the City Manager to be made to previously approved appropriations within the fiscal year 2018/2019 budget, as set forth in his communication to the City Council on this subject dated April 23, 2019 are authorized.**

General Fund	Increase	Decrease
Accounting & Audit	\$7,500	
Wages Holiday Worked - Police Division	\$8,000	
Salaries - Zoning/Code Enforcement		\$3,000
Conference & Workshop - City Manager		\$1,000
Education & Training - City Treasurer		\$500
Equipment Rental - City Hall		\$1,000
Equipment Repairs - City Hall		\$2,000
Wages Holiday - Police Division		\$8,000
Fund Totals	\$15,500	\$15,500

Sewer Fund	Increase	
Depreciation Expense - Treatment Plant	\$218,667	
Repairs & Maintenance - Sewer System	\$14,710	
Fund Totals	\$233,377	

General Fund

Increase

Equipment - Fire Division	\$50,000
Fund Totals	\$50,000

YES: Weiler, Rondeau, Connelly, Covieo, Tanner, Wittbrodt
 ABSENT: Hughes

Motion Carried

PRESENTATIONS

None

CITIZEN INPUT

The following citizens addressed the Council:

Tom Burnham, 700 Main Street
 Jack Covieo, 311 Virginia Dr.
 Mark Graham, 306 Woodside Avenue
 Kimberly Graham, 306 Woodside Avenue

COUNTY COMMISSIONER'S REPORT

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

COMMITTEE REPORTS

FINANCE COMMITTEE

PAYMENT OF BILLS

Covieo, Weiler:

Resolved; that expense vouchers 69 through 70 totaling \$158,015.69 and payroll voucher 71 through 78 totaling \$112,756.34 for a grand total of \$270,772.03 paid as stated.

YES: Covieo, Weiler, Connelly, Rondeau, Tanner, Wittbrodt
 ABSENT: Hughes

Motion Carried

LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEE

Councilmember Weiler had no report.

MUNICIPAL RELATIONS COMMITTEE

Councilmember Rondeau had no report.

PARKS AND RECREATION COMMITTEE

Councilmember Weiler stated that a playscape for Ransom Essex Park is a good idea.

PUBLIC IMPROVEMENT COMMITTEE

Councilmember Rondeau had no report.

PUBLIC RELATIONS COMMITTEE

Councilmember Weiler reported June 15th is the race into summer 5K, kidsfest and kids fishing contest. The curb appeal award judging will occur on July 9th. There will be a committee meeting at 6:00 on May 14th before the council meeting.

UTILITY AND SPECIAL COMMITTEE

Councilmember Connelly reported the Consumers water main project started and the next progress meeting is scheduled for Friday, April 26th at 8:00 a.m.

PLANNING COMMISSION

Councilmember Covieo reported the planning commission met on March 25th at 5:00 p.m. and discussed proposed amendments to the zoning ordinance regarding marihuana establishments and telecommunication facilities. The commission also approved the owners of 1300 Woodside Avenue request to live and have a business at the location.

DOWNTOWN DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY

No Meeting

MAYOR'S REPORT

Mayor Wittbrodt reported on the following:

- Race into Summer 5K road race promotion
- Participated in St. Patrick's Day Parade
- Essexville boy's basketball teams that he coached won their league championships

ATTORNEY'S REPORT

City Attorney Pergande reported on the charter revision question that will be on the November 2019 ballot.

CITY MANAGER'S REPORT

City Manager, Dan Hansford, reported on the following:

- Bay County Storm Regulations
- OPEB report to Treasury was accepted
- Public Safety Department and Department of Public Works union contracts
- Police Week
- Budget workshops will be May 21 and May 22
- Pyramid Paving will be doing Garside Drive in a couple weeks
- MTF funds from MDOT

PUBLIC HEARING(S)

None

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

None

NEW BUSINESS

CONSIDERATION TO ACCEPT THE BAY AREA STORM WATER AUTHORITY ENVIRONMENTAL RESPONSE PROGRAM.

Weiler, Connelly:

Resolved;

Whereas: The City of Essexville falls within the urbanized area of Bay County and is subject to the provisions of the Federal Clean Water Act of 1974 through the National Pollution Discharge Elimination System Phase II guidelines; and

Whereas: Under the current guidelines developed by the MDEQ. The City of Essexville has applied for a permit. As part of the application, the City is committed to carry out a number of storm water quality improvement activities, including developing "Storm Water Regulations; and

Whereas: The permit requirements submitted by Essexville includes a strategy to reduce harmful peak storm water flows entering the City's storm water system; and

Whereas: The Bay Area Storm Water Authority has developed the Bay Area Storm Water Authority Storm Water Quality Management and Discharge Regulations approved by the MDEQ to protect general health and natural resources; and

Therefore be it resolved: The City of Essexville City Council formally adopts the “Bay Area Storm Water Authority Storm Water Quality Management and Discharge Regulations”

Be it further resolved: The City of Essexville City Council endorses all proposed enforcement of the regulations as outlined in the Regulations and the MDEQ approved Bay Area Storm Water Authority Environmental Response Program.

YES: Weiler, Connelly, Covieo, Rondeau, Tanner, Wittbrodt Motion Carried
ABSENT: Hughes

CONSIDERATION OF ADOPTING THE PROPOSED FREEDOM OF INFORMATION ACT CHANGES TO THE CITY GUIDELINES AND SUMMARY AS REQUIRED BY RECENT STATE LEGISLATIVE ACTION.

Tanner, Covieo:

I move that the city create and amend its Freedom of Information Act guidelines, procedures, and summaries as required by state law to include those amendments in red text in the drafts of such documents as presented to the City Council.

YES: Tanner, Covieo, Connelly, Rondeau, Weiler, Wittbrodt Motion Carried
ABSENT: Hughes

CONSIDERATION OF ADOPTING ORDINANCE NO. 2019-4 PROHIBITION OF RECREATIONAL AND MEDICAL MARIHUANA ESTABLISHMENTS.

Connelly, Tanner:

Resolved; A published notice of the intent of the Planning Commission to meet and consider approval of amendments to the City Zoning Ordinance to prohibit marihuana establishments within the City having occurred, such meeting having been held, and the Planning Commission having by majority vote recommended passage of such proposed amendment by the City Council and the City Council, being of the belief that a public hearing regarding the same is not necessary by it, it is hereby moved that the proposed amendment to the City Zoning Ordinance presented to the City Council as new Section 6.3 of Article 6 be added to and become part of the City Zoning Ordinance.

YES: Connelly, Tanner, Covieo, Rondeau, Weiler, Wittbrodt Motion Carried
ABSENT: Hughes

CONSIDERATION OF ADOPTING ZONING ORDINANCE 2019-5 ZONING EXEMPTIONS INVOLVING SMALL WIRELESS COMMUNICATION FACILITIES

Weiler, Covieo:

The Essexville Planning Commission met on Monday, March 25th to review proposed amendments to city zoning ordinance that would allow telecommunications facilities to be allowed in the zoning districts of the city by special use permit as is now required by Michigan law and its statutes. The Essexville Planning Commission recommends to the Essexville City Council that said proposed amendments be added to the city zoning ordinance as Section 6.4 and 6.5.

YES: Weiler, Covieo, Connelly, Rondeau, Tanner, Wittbrodt Motion Carried
ABSENT: Hughes

CONSIDERATION OF ADOPTING A RESOLUTION TO DECLARE MAY 12-18, 2019 AS POLICE WEEK.

Weiler, Tanner:

Resolved; The City Council of Essexville declares by this Resolution that May 12 – 18, 2019 shall be known as POLICE WEEK in honor of our excellent Essexville Public Safety Officers.

YES: Weiler, Tanner, Connelly, Covieo, Rondeau, Wittbrodt

Motion Carried

ABSENT: Hughes

INFORMATIONAL COMMUNICATIONS

None

CITIZEN INPUT

The following citizens addressed the Council:

- Craig Goulet, 202 Hart Street
- John Connelly, 10 W. Sharlear Drive
- Tom Burnham, 700 Main Street
- Russ Tanner, 1411 Borton Avenue

EXECUTIVE SESSION

None

ADJOURNMENT

Covieo, Connelly:

Resolved; that the meeting be adjourned.

YES: Unanimous voice vote

Motion Carried

ABSENT: Hughes

The meeting adjourned at 8:07 pm.

Scott Wittbrodt
Mayor

Sarah Wilcox
City Clerk
