

**ESSEXVILLE CITY COUNCIL  
REGULAR MEETING  
July 9, 2019 7:00 PM  
COUNCIL CHAMBERS**

Mayor Scott Wittbrodt called the REGULAR MEETING of the Essexville City Council held on July 9, 2019 to order at 7:00 PM.

Councilmember John Connelly led the Pledge of Allegiance.

**ROLL CALL**

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

ABSENT: Adam Hughes, Russell Tanner

**APPROVAL OF AGENDA**

Covieo, Rondeau:

**Resolved the agenda be approved as written.**

YES: Covieo, Rondeau, Connelly, Weiler, Wittbrodt

Motion Carried

ABSENT: Hughes, Tanner

**CONSENT AGENDA**

Connelly, Rondeau:

**A. Resolved; City Council hereby approves the minutes of its June 11, 2019 regular meeting, said minutes prepared by the City Clerk and submitted for the City Council's consideration at its July 9, 2019 regular meeting.**

**B. Resolved; pursuant to the City Code, the City Council hereby confirms the City Manager's appointment of Millie Zurvalec to the Board of Review to a partial term effective July 9, 2019 through December 31, 2020.**

YES: Connelly, Rondeau, Covieo, Weiler, Wittbrodt

Motion Carried

ABSENT: Hughes, Tanner

**PRESENTATIONS**

None

**CITIZEN INPUT**

The following citizens addressed the Council:

Fred Walraven, 300 27<sup>th</sup> Street, Bay City

Lisa Orlando, 1506 Borton Avenue

**COUNTY COMMISSIONER'S REPORT**

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

**COMMITTEE REPORTS**

**FINANCE COMMITTEE**

**PAYMENT OF BILLS**

Connelly, Rondeau:

**Resolved; that expense vouchers 1 through 2 totaling \$291,071.16 and payroll voucher 3 through 6 totaling \$75,610.45 for a grand total of \$366,681.61 paid as stated.**

YES: Connelly, Rondeau, Covieo, Weiler, Wittbrodt

Motion Carried

ABSENT: Hughes, Tanner

**LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEE**

Councilmember Weiler had no report.

**MUNICIPAL RELATIONS COMMITTEE**

Councilmember Hughes was not in attendance, there was no report.

**PARKS AND RECREATION COMMITTEE**

Councilmember Weiler had no report.

**PUBLIC IMPROVEMENT COMMITTEE**

Councilmember Rondeau had no report.

**PUBLIC RELATIONS COMMITTEE**

Councilmember Weiler reported the committee met today at 4:00 to do the judging for the Mayor's Curb Appeal Award. The winner was 1604 Borton Avenue.

**UTILITY AND SPECIAL COMMITTEE**

Councilmember Connelly reported the final payment was made for the Consumer's water line project and the project is complete.

**PLANNING COMMISSION**

No Meeting

**DOWNTOWN DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY**

No Meeting

**MAYOR'S REPORT**

Mayor Wittbrodt reported on the following:

- Attended the Public Relations Committee meeting to assist with judging for the Mayor's Curb Appeal Award
- 5k run/walk on June 15<sup>th</sup> went well with over 60 participants

**ATTORNEY'S REPORT**

City Attorney Pergande had no report.

**CITY MANAGER'S REPORT**

City Manager, Dan Hansford, reported on the following:

- Lead and copper
- Trash collection
- Tree trimming
- School Resource Officer
- Rental inspections
- Pump station repairs
- Paving of Garside
- Answered questions from the council

**UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

None

**NEW BUSINESS**

CONSIDERATION OF APPROVING THE "STANDARD LIGHTING AGREEMENT" WITH CONSUMERS ENERGY THAT ALLOWS THEM TO CHANGE THE EXISTING HIGH PRESSURE SODIUM STREETLIGHTS TO MORE EFFICIENT LED'S.

Rondeau, Weiler:

**Resolved; The City Council hereby authorizes the City Manager and City Clerk to agree to change the street lighting service in Essexville as stated in the Standard Lighting Agreement.**

YES: Rondeau, Weiler, Connelly, Covieo, Wittbrodt

Motion Carried

ABSENT: Hughes, Tanner

CONSIDERATION OF APPROVING THE CONTRACT WITH CONSUMERS ENERGY TO PROVIDE THE STREET LIGHTING IN ESSEXVILLE FOR THE NEXT TWO YEARS AND ON A YEARLY BASIS AFTER THAT.

Connelly, Covieo:

**Resolved; The City Council hereby authorizes the City Manager and City Clerk to enter into a two year contract with Consumers Energy to provide street lighting for Essexville.**

YES: Connelly, Covieo, Rondeau, Weiler, Wittbrodt

Motion Carried

ABSENT: Hughes, Tanner

CONSIDERATION OF APPROVING THE CONTRACT WITH ESSEXVILLE HAMPTON SCHOOL DISTRICT FOR A SCHOOL RESOURCE OFFICER.

Weiler, Rondeau:

**Therefore; it is hereby resolved that the City of Essexville shall enter into a contract with the Essexville Hampton School District for a full time School Resource Officer as detailed in the attached Contract and including Exhibit "A".**

YES: Weiler, Rondeau, Connelly, Covieo, Wittbrodt

Motion Carried

ABSENT: Hughes, Tanner

CONSIDERATION OF WAIVING PENALTIES OF NON-FILING OF PROPERTY AFFIDAVITS UNDER MCL211.27b.

Weiler, Covieo:

**WHEREAS, MCL 211.27a (10) requires that the buyer, grantee, or other transferee of the property shall notify the appropriate assessing officer in the local unit of government in which the property is located of the transfer of ownership of the property within 45 days of the transfer of ownership, on a form prescribed by the state tax commission that states the parties to the transfer, the date of the transfer, the actual consideration for the transfer, and the property's parcel identification number or legal description and**

**WHEREAS, MCL 211.27b(1) requires if the buyer, grantee, or other transferee in the immediately preceding transfer of ownership of property does not notify the appropriate assessing office of the transfer, then penalties as described in MCL 211.27b(1)(c) or (d) are levied and**

**WHEREAS, MCL 211.27b(5) provides the governing body of a local tax collecting unit may waive, by resolution, the penalty levied under MCL 211.27b (1)(c) or (d).**

**NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED; that the City of Essexville waives the penalty for failure to file the Property Transfer Affidavit following a transfer of ownership pursuant to the local unit's authority contained in MCL 211.27b.**

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

Motion Carried

**INFORMATIONAL COMMUNICATIONS**

None

**CITIZEN INPUT**

The following citizens addressed the Council:

- June Weiler, 314 Main Street
- Lisa Orlando, 1506 Borton Avenue
- John Connelly, 10 West Sharlear Drive
- Fred Walraven, 300 27<sup>th</sup> Street
- Jack Covieo, 311 Virginia Drive
- Lisa Orlando, 1506 Borton Avenue

**EXECUTIVE SESSION**

None

**ADJOURNMENT**

Weiler, Rondeau:

**Resolved; that the meeting be adjourned.**

YES: Weiler, Rondeau, Connelly, Covieo, Wittbrodt

ABSENT: Hughes, Tanner

The meeting adjourned at 7:58 pm.

Motion Carried

Scott Wittbrodt  
Mayor

---

Sarah Wilcox  
City Clerk

---