# ESSEXVILLE CITY COUNCIL REGULAR MEETING JANUARY 14, 2020 7:00 PM COUNCIL CHAMBERS

Mayor Scott Wittbrodt called the REGULAR MEETING of the Essexville City Council held on January 14, 2020 to order at 7:00 PM.

City Manager Dan Hansford, led the Pledge of Allegiance.

## **ROLL CALL**

The following City Council Members were present at the meeting: John Connelly, Jack Covieo, Jennifer Gradowski, Adam Hughes, Dennis Rondeau, Russell Tanner, and Mayor Scott Wittbrodt. ABSENT: None

# **APPROVAL OF AGENDA**

Tanner, Hughes:

Resolved the agenda be approved as amended.

YES: Tanner, Hughes, Connelly, Covieo, Gradowski, Rondeau, Wittbrodt Motion Carried ABSENT: None

## **CONSENT AGENDA**

Hughes, Gradowski:

- A. Resolved; City Council hereby approves the minutes of its December 10, 2019 regular meeting, said minutes prepared by the City Clerk and submitted for the City Council's consideration at its January 14, 2020 regular meeting.
- B. Resolved; In accordance with Section 1.2 of Chapter 1 of Title I of the Code of Ordinances of the City of Essexville, Chapter 13 of Title IX of the Code of Ordinances is hereby repealed and a new Chapter 13 of Title IX is hereby created in its place and stead, which shall be entitled "FRONT YARD PARKING", at this the second reading of said ordinance to be effective on January 29, 2020.

YES: Hughes, Gradowski, Connelly, Covieo, Rondeau, Tanner, Wittbrodt Motion Carried ABSENT: None

## **PRESENTATIONS**

Captain Nate House presented his Public Safety Department annual report.

### **COUNTY COMMISSIONER'S REPORT**

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

#### **CITIZEN INPUT**

The following citizens addressed the Council: Dennis Rondeau, 704 Langstaff

### **COMMITTEE REPORTS**

## FINANCE COMMITTEE

PAYMENT OF BILLS

Tanner, Covieo:

Resolved; that expense vouchers 43 through 44 totaling \$119,732.95 and payroll voucher 45 through 49 totaling \$84,307.41 for a grand total of \$204,040.36 paid as stated.

YES: Tanner, Covieo, Connelly, Gradowski, Rondeau, Tanner, Wittbrodt Motion Carried ABSENT: None

#### LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEE

Councilmember Connelly had no report.

## MUNICIPAL RELATIONS COMMITTEE

Councilmember Rondeau reported that the city manager's review/evaluation will be at the February 11<sup>th</sup> regular city council meeting during executive session. A committee meeting was scheduled for Tuesday, January 21<sup>st</sup> at 5:30 p.m.

### PARKS AND RECREATION COMMITTEE

Councilmember Gradowski had no report.

### PUBLIC IMPROVEMENT COMMITTEE

Councilmember Covieo had no report.

#### PUBLIC RELATIONS COMMITTEE

Councilmember Gradowski reported nominations for citizen of the year are being accepted until the end of January. She would like to schedule a committee meeting for the first week in February. St. Patrick's Day Parade is coming up, and she would like to coordinate the 5k race and kidsfest together.

#### UTILITY AND SPECIAL COMMITTEE

Councilmember Connelly reported on the water rate increase, and a committee meeting was scheduled for January 23<sup>rd</sup> at 4:00 p.m.

### **PLANNING COMMISSION**

No Meeting

### DOWNTOWN DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY

Councilmember Tanner asked City Manager Hansford if he could send a congratulatory letter to the City of Bay City for winning the 2019 Community Excellence Award, and also Shaheen Development informing them of developmental opportunities in Essexville.

## **MAYOR'S REPORT**

Mayor Wittbrodt reported on the following:

- He attended a meeting with Mayor's from surrounding municipalities.
- There was a nice article about Bay City in the MML Review magazine

## ATTORNEY'S REPORT

City Attorney Pergande reported on financing of lead lines, rental properties ordinance, air bnb's, medical marijuana dispensaries, and took questions from the council.

### **CITY MANAGER'S REPORT**

City Manager, Dan Hansford, reported on the following:

- Recycle schedule
- Water rate increase
- Lead line replacement
- Answered questions from the council.

### **PUBLIC HEARING(S)**

None

## **UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

CONSIDERATION OF ADOPTING ORDINANCE NO. 2020-1 "CITY COUNCIL SALARIES" Rondeau, Covieo:

Resolved: That a new Chapter 8 in Title I of the Code of Ordinances is hereby created, which shall be entitled "CITY COUNCIL SALARIES" and contain those provisions for the salaries of the City Council and the Mayor that shall take effect at the Organizational meeting of the next city council to be held in November of 2020 as allowed and provided for in the City Charter at this second reading and as passed by a majority vote of five or more members of the city council.

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

NO: Connelly ABSENT: None

### **NEW BUSINESS**

CONSIDERATION OF APPROVING A RETAIL WATER RATE INCREASE. Covieo, Rondeau:

Therefore the following resolution would be appropriate; The City Council of Essexville hereby approves an increase in the retail cost of water of .23 cents per hundred cubic feet effective the February 2020 billing cycle.

YES: Covieo, Rondeau, Connelly, Gradowski, Hughes, Tanner, Wittbrodt Motion Carried ABSENT: None

## **INFORMATIONAL COMMUNICATIONS**

None

### **CITIZEN INPUT**

The following citizens addressed the Council: None

# **EXECUTIVE SESSION**

None

## **ADJOURNMENT**

Tanner, Rondeau:

Resolved; that the meeting be adjourned.

YES: Unanimous voice vote

**ABSENT: None** 

The meeting adjourned at 8:37 pm.

**Motion Carried** 

Mayor

Sarah Wilcox City Clerk

Scott Wittbrodt