

**ESSEXVILLE CITY COUNCIL
REGULAR MEETING
FEBRUARY 8, 2022 7:00 PM
COUNCIL CHAMBERS**

Mayor Scott Wittbrodt called the REGULAR MEETING of the Essexville City Council held on February 8, 2022 to order at 7:00 PM.

Audience member Ari Goulet 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 and Mayor Scott Wittbrodt.

ABSENT: Todd Wendt

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Hughes, Connelly:

Resolved the agenda be approved as written.

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

ABSENT: Wendt

NO: None

CONSENT AGENDA

Hughes, Rondeau:

A. Resolved; City Council hereby approves the minutes of its January 11, 2022 regular meeting and January 26, 2022 special meeting, said minutes prepared by the City Clerk and submitted for the City Council’s consideration at its February 8, 2022 regular meeting.

B. Resolved that Craig Howell is appointed as the Building Official for the City of Essexville effective immediately.

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

ABSENT: Wendt

NO: None

PRESENTATIONS

Councilmember Gradowski presented the 2022 Citizen of the Year Award to Jerome Reinke and a special recognition to Auggie Reinke.

CITIZEN INPUT

The following citizens addressed the Council:

Craig Goulet, 202 Hart Street

COUNTY COMMISSIONER’S REPORT

Mr. Jayme Johnson, County Commissioner, was not in attendance at this time in the meeting. He made his report later in the meeting during Citizen’s Input.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

FINANCE COMMITTEE

PAYMENT OF BILLS

Connelly, Gradowski:

Resolved; that expense vouchers 52 totaling \$221,712.83 and payroll voucher 53 through 57 totaling \$74,276.79 for a grand total of \$295,989.62 paid as stated.

YES: Connelly, Gradowski, Covieo, Hughes, Rondeau, Wittbrodt
ABSENT: Wendt
NO: None

Motion Carried

LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEE

Councilmember Connelly had no report.

MUNICIPAL RELATIONS COMMITTEE

Councilmember Rondeau reported on the timeline for the City Manager's evaluation and a committee meeting was scheduled for Tuesday, February 15th at 7:00 p.m.

PARKS AND RECREATION COMMITTEE

Councilmember Gradowski reported the DDA will meet soon to discuss the matching grant for Smith Park.

PUBLIC IMPROVEMENT COMMITTEE

Councilmember Covieo had no report.

PUBLIC RELATIONS COMMITTEE

Councilmember Gradowski reported on the Citizen of the Year Award.

UTILITY AND SPECIAL COMMITTEE

Councilmember Connelly that waste collection proposals will be discussed later in the meeting under New Business.

PLANNING COMMISSION

A meeting will be scheduled once City Manager Hansford receives the extension drawings for St. Jude Thaddeaus Catholic Church.

DOWNTOWN DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY

A meeting will be scheduled for some time in February.

MAYOR'S REPORT

Mayor Wittbrodt reported on the following:

- St. Patrick's Day Parade

ATTORNEY'S REPORT

City Attorney Pergande reported on a notification City Manager Hansford received from Michigan Department of Environment, Great Lakes and Energy (EGLE) regarding cross connections.

CITY MANAGER'S REPORT

City Manager, Dan Hansford reported on the following:

- Disposal of 1990 Vactor Sewer truck
- Waste Collection proposals
- Waste collection fees being moved from the utility bills to property taxes
- Upcoming meetings
- Answered question from the Council.

PUBLIC HEARING(S)

None

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

None

NEW BUSINESS

CONSIDERATION OF APPROVING THE DISPOSAL OF THE 1990 VACTOR SEWER TRUCK.

Connelly, Rondeau:

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: Connelly, Rondeau, Covieo, Gradowski, Hughes, Wittbrodt Motion Carried

ABSENT: Wendt

NO: None

CONSIDERATION OF APPROVING A NEW 5 (FIVE) YEAR WASTE REMOVAL CONTRACT.

Gradowski, Rondeau:

Now therefore, be it resolved by the Mayor and Council of the City of Essexville, Michigan:

5 Hereby accept and authorize Mayor Wittbrodt and the City Clerk to enter into a (five) year contract with GFL Environmental Inc. under the terms and conditions as stated on the attached document Exhibit "A".

Councilmember Rondeau and Councilmember Gradowski withdrew their motions.

Gradowski, Rondeau:

Now therefore, be it resolved by the Mayor and Council of the City of Essexville, Michigan:

5 Hereby accept and authorize Mayor Wittbrodt and the City Clerk to enter into a (five) year contract with GFL Environmental Inc. under the terms and conditions as stated on the attached document Exhibit "A" non-carted.

YES: Gradowski, Rondeau, Connelly, Covieo, Wittbrodt Motion Carried

ABSENT: Wendt

NO: Hughes

INFORMATIONAL COMMUNICATIONS

None

CITIZEN INPUT

The following citizens addressed the Council:

Jayme Johnson gave his County Commissioner's report where he updated the council on Bay County events and took questions from the council.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

None

ADJOURNMENT

Connelly, Covieo:

Resolved; that the meeting be adjourned.

YES: Unanimous Voice Vote Motion Carried

Carried

ABSENT: Wendt

NO: None

The meeting adjourned at 8:37 pm.

Scott Wittbrodt
Mayor

Sarah Wilcox
City Clerk
