

Minutes of the regular Durand City Council meeting held on Monday, February 5, 2024 at 6:30 p.m. in the Council Chambers of Durand City Hall.

Mayor Brands called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m.

ROLL CALL:

Present: Dr. Brian Boggs, Mayor Jeffrey Brands, Deb Doyle, Nick Florindi, Rich Folaron, Pat O'Connor, Amber Rochefort

Absent: None

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:

The Council led the Pledge of Allegiance to the United States of America.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA:

Boggs moved, Florindi supported to approve the agenda with the removal of item I.

Carried

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

Folaron moved, Florindi supported to approve the minutes of the regular meeting held on January 22, 2024 as presented.

Carried

APPROVAL OF BILLS:

Florindi moved, Folaron supported to approve bills number 57038-57078.

YEAS: Boggs, Mayor Brands, Doyle, Florindi, Folaron, O'Connor, Rochefort

NAYS: None

Carried

HEARING OF REPRESENTATIVES AND CITIZENS PRESENT:

Lisa Lahring, 708 S. Oak Street Offered Prayer

CITY COUNCIL RESPONSE TO CITIZENS PRESENT:

Several Council members thanked Lisa Lahring for the prayer.

ITEMS OF BUSINESS:

Presentations to Jason Hartz. Ben Fredrick presented Jason with a Proclamation, Cameron Horvath presented him with a watch, Robert Brancheau presented him with a shadow box in honor of his years of service with the City of Durand.

The Council paused for 20 minutes for a small reception in honor of Retiring Chief of Police, Jason Hartz.

Boggs moved, O'Connor supported to approve the invoice from BS&A for support, as presented in an amount not to exceed \$11,516.00.

YEAS: Mayor Brands, Doyle, Florindi, Folaron, O'Connor, Rochefort, Boggs

NAYS: None

Carried

Folaron moved, O'Connor supported to approve a 3 year contract extension for Clean Cut Complete Lawn Care maintaining the original price list provided to the City of Durand last year dated 3-8-23.

YEAS: Doyle, Florindi, Folaron, O'Connor, Rochefort, Boggs, Mayor Brands

NAYS: None

Carried

Boggs moved, Folaron supported to approve the Farmers Garden to conduct the watering and maintenance of the flowers they have provided in an amount not to exceed a total of \$7,000 for 4 months of maintenance.

YEAS: Florindi, Folaron, O'Connor, Rochefort, Boggs, Mayor Brands, Doyle

NAYS: None

Carried

Boggs moved, O'Connor supported to approve the invoice from GovConnection Inc. dated 1/31/24 for an amount not to exceed \$4,463.34 for a firewall for both the Administration and Police Departments.

YEAS: Folaron, O'Connor, Rochefort, Boggs, Mayor Brands, Doyle, Florindi

NAYS: None

Carried

Boggs moved, O'Connor supported to approve the farm lease agreement with Levi Zdunic for a period of three years as presented.

YEAS: O'Connor, Rochefort, Boggs, Mayor Brands, Doyle, Florindi, Folaron

NAYS: None

Carried

Boggs moved, Doyle supported to approve the purchase of a new Ricoh combination printer for the police department, using ARPA funds, as presented in an amount not to exceed \$4,021.00.

YEAS: Rochefort, Boggs, Mayor Brands, Doyle, Florindi, Folaron, O'Connor

NAYS: None

Carried

Boggs moved, Rochefort supported to approve the proposal from AKT Peerless for the brownfield redevelopment plan in an amount not to exceed \$8,800.00.

YEAS: Boggs, Mayor Brands, Doyle, Florindi, Folaron, O'Connor, Rochefort

NAYS: None

Carried

CITIZENS SPEAK – AGENDA ITEMS ONLY:

No one spoke

COUNCIL COMMENTS:

Doyle: She congratulated Jason Hartz on his retirement.

Folaron: He thanked the DPW for the work they did in regards to the library remodel project.

Boggs: He stated that he wants to see more community engagement regarding the Headlee override. He said that SESSA should be contacted so they can help in this project. He congratulated Jason and wished him continued success.

Mayor Brands: He congratulated Jason. He said Jason’s unique sense of humor will be missed. He continued that it “is never goodbye,. but see you around”.

Mayor Brands adjourned the meeting at 7:15 p.m.

Jeffrey Brands, Mayor

Mindy McKay, City Clerk