

Minutes of the regular Durand City Council meeting held on Monday, July 17, 2023 at 6:30 p.m. in the Conference room at the Railroaders Athletic Center (RAC), 9591 E. Monroe Rd., Durand, Michigan.

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

**ROLL CALL:**

Present: Brian Boggs, Mayor Jeff Brands, Deb Doyle, Nick Florindi, Rich Folaron, Sara Pettit

Absent: Pat O'Connor

**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 addition of Q. Approval of Invoice from Northern Pump & Well.

Carried

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES:**

Florindi moved, Pettit supported to approve the minutes of the regular meeting held on June 5, 2023 and the minutes from the Closed Session held on June 5, 2023, as presented.

Carried

**APPROVAL OF BILLS:**

Pettit moved, Boggs supported to pay bills #56202-56365.

YEAS: Boggs, Mayor Brands, Doyle, Florindi, Folaron, Pettit

NAYS: None

Carried

**HEARING OF REPRESENTATIVES AND CITIZENS PRESENT:**

Mel Reitzel, 7789 E. M-71, VFW #2272

He asked for funding for Veteran's grave markers and flag holders citing Act 63 of 1915 which they believe requires the City of Durand to provide funding for this project.

Leslie Dietrich, 211 N. Saginaw Street. She would like to consider Durand as a bicycle friendly community. Would like to see bicycle racks put on the streets.

Paula Brooks, 104 W. Summit St. Asked about water/sewer increase for the year. Asked about the craft show and basketball tournament. Asked the procedure for bringing text amendments to council.

Deb White, 512 N. Saginaw St. She offered a prayer

Derrick Huff, Durand Area School Board Member. He welcomed everyone to their new facility.

Nancy Dorrence, 210 McBride Street- She asked if the residents near 209 S. Oak Street would be notified when the demolition of the building would take place and if any other precautions would be needed for the dust.

**CITY COUNCIL RESPONSE TO CITIZEN'S COMMENTS:**

Boggs: He thanked Deb White for the prayer. He also thanked Derrick Huff for inviting us to hold our meeting here tonight. He said as for the VFW request for flag holders; he believes that Act 63 of 1915

should be reviewed by our attorney. He further explained that ordinances pertaining to the City come before Council, Zoning ordinances go before Planning Commission.

Florindi: He said that the basketball tournament will not have a food truck selling alcohol. He said that CJ Lauderdale, tournament organizer was able to secure insurance today from Blackmore Rowe.

**ITEMS OF BUSINESS:**

Doyle moved, Folaron supported to approve the Consent Agenda which includes, Mayoral's appointment of Rich Folaron to another term on the SATA Board, approval to Kayla Harris to hold a block party with the stipulation that she must secure an event insurance police and name the City as an additional insured party, to allow the Durand Band Boosters to hold a fundraiser on city streets, and to approve the ballot for the MML Board of Trustees Election.

YEAS: Mayor Brands, Doyle, Florindi, Folaron, Pettit, Boggs

NAYS: None

Carried

Boggs moved, Folaron supported to approve road closures for the specific purpose of having a food truck event in Durand if needed contingent upon the date and time being established and acceptable to the City Manager.

YEAS: Doyle, Florindi, Folaron, Pettit, Boggs, Mayor Brands

NAYS: None

Carried

Boggs moved, Florindi supported to approve the proposal presented by Rustic Revival Craft Fair with the following conditions:

- Provide an insurance policy naming the City of Durand as an additional insured
- Pay \$200.00 to the City of Durand before the event takes place
- Submit proof of Safe Serve certification and County Health Department approval for food trucks, to the city prior to event occurring
- They must coordinate with the schools for parking arrangements and the possibility of food truck locations

YEAS: Doyle, Florindi, Folaron, Pettit, Boggs, Mayor Brands

NAYS: None

Carried

Folaron moved, Florindi supported to approve the repairs to DPW Truck #624 as presented in the quote provided by Truck & Trailer Specialties Incorporated of Howell, in the amount of \$4,735.00.

YEAS: Florindi, Folaron, Pettit, Boggs, Mayor Brands, Doyle

NAYS: None

Carried

Boggs moved, Doyle supported to approve the SATA commitment request for FY 24 in an amount not to exceed \$9,813.75.

YEAS: Folaron, Pettit, Boggs, Mayor Brands, Doyle, Florindi

NAYS: None

Carried

Pettit moved, Folaron supported to approve the pay application 1 of the CWSRF WWTP project in the amount of \$139,948.40.

YEAS: Pettit, Boggs, Mayor Brands, Doyle, Florindi, Folaron

NAYS: None

Carried

Boggs moved, Doyle supported to approve the purchase of the street sweeper for a purchase price of \$25,000, anticipated repairs of \$5,000.00 and the transport of the equipment to Michigan of \$3,550.00 for a total price not to exceed \$33,550.00.

YEAS: Boggs, Mayor Brands, Doyle, Florindi, Folaron, Pettit

NAYS: None

Carried

Boggs moved, Pettit supported to award the bid for demolition of 209 S. Oak Street to Gentry Demolition/Huntington Machinery Inc. as presented in the amount of \$268,000.00.

YEAS: Mayor Brands, Doyle, Florindi, Folaron, Pettit, Boggs

NAYS: None

Carried

Boggs moved, Florindi supported to approve the quotation from ADS Pipe to purchase the culvert for the driveway at the WWTP for a price not to exceed \$4,700 and approve Perrin Construction for a price not to exceed \$3,000.00 to excavate and do the work.

YEAS: Mayor Brands, Doyle, Florindi, Folaron, Pettit, Boggs

NAYS: None

Carried

Pettit moved, Folaron supported to approve the first reading amending the City Code of Ordinance No. 06-01 as presented.

YEAS: Mayor Brands, Doyle, Florindi, Folaron, Pettit

NAYS: Boggs

Carried

Florindi moved, Folaron supported to approve the first reading amending The Code of Ordinances Section 50-184 as presented.

YEAS: Doyle, Florindi, Folaron, Pettit, Mayor Brands

NAYS: Boggs

Carried

Discussion: SSES Update - After much discussion it was the consensus of the Council to have SSES put their proposal in writing and have the City Manager contact other providers for pricing, being mindful that if the city decides to hold a special election in November that filing deadlines are coming up in early August.

Discussion: Library Roof – It was the consensus of the Council that they wanted to go forward with getting a new roof on the library. The Council directed the City Manager to reach out to the library for shared costs agreement.

Boggs moved, Pettit supported to approve the invoice from Northern Pump and Well in the amount of \$3,501.00 to repair pump #1 at the Goodall Rd well house.

YEAS: Florindi, Folaron, Pettit, Boggs, Mayor Brands, Doyle

NAYS: None

Carried

**CITIZENS SPEAK ON AGENDA ITEMS ONLY:**

Paula Brooks, 104 W. Summit St.- She asked if people are following the bicycle ordinance. She doesn't like animals at the Farmer's market, they have had some issues in the past. She asked how do you control animals at events?

**COUNCIL COMMENTS:**

Doyle: No comments

Florindi: No comments

Boggs: He said that he is excited to have the old Simplicity building down. The land bank would like to have an event at the location when the demo takes place. He said that he would be following up regarding Consumer's Energy, before the trees in Durand are butchered.

Pettit: No comments

Folaron: He talked about a truck on S. Oak Street that hadn't been moved in weeks. Someone from the audience said that they were moving that truck as we speak.

Mayor Brands: He told the DPW Foreman that the no parking sign on Oakland Street, by the Trumble Park is completely faded and he would like it replaced.

Mayor Brands adjourned the meeting at 8:03 p.m.

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Jeffrey Brands, Mayor

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Mindy McKay, City Clerk