

Minutes of the special meeting of the Durand City Council held on Monday, October 25, 2021 at 5:30 p.m. in the Council Chambers of Durand City Hall.

Mayor McDonough called the meeting to order at 5:30 p.m.

ROLL CALL:

Present: Brian Boggs, Jeff Brands, Connie Cobby, Mayor Ken McDonough, Matt Schaefer, Pat O'Connor

Absent: Rich Folaron

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:

All those present recited the Pledge of Allegiance to the United States of America.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA:

Boggs moved, Schaefer supported to approve the agenda as presented.

Carried

HEARING OF REPRESENTATIVES AND CITIZENS PRESENT:

Paula Brooks, 104 W. Summit-Sign on the old Kathy's School of Dance building that directed people to the Depot may be in the basement of building. Can it be saved before demolition?

COUNCIL COMMENTS:

Schaefer asked if it was safe to go into the building. City Manager said that he was in the building a while ago and the floors were "spongy" and he thinks anything in there is probably covered in mold.

ITEMS OF BUSINESS:

Boggs moved, O'Connor supported to approve the purchase of two new bulletproof vests from CMP Distributors Inc. for the amount of \$1,280.00.

YEAS: Boggs, Brands, Cobby, Mayor McDonough, O'Connor, Schaefer

NAYS: None

Carried

Schaefer moved, Mayor McDonough supported to approve the "AS-IS" sale of 209 S. Oak Street to J&J Ag Equipment, LLC and its affiliated subsidiaries (present or future) for the price of \$19.47 contingent upon a signed purchase agreement to be executed by the City Manager with approval and review from the City Attorney.

YEAS: Brands, Cobby, Mayor McDonough, O'Connor, Schaefer, Boggs

NAYS: None

Carried

Mayor McDonough moved, O'Connor supported to approve the purchase of an air compressor from Northern Well & Pump for the amount of \$7,056.00.

YEAS: Cobby, Mayor McDonough, O'Connor, Schaefer, Boggs, Brands

NAYS: None

Carried

Boggs moved, Mayor McDonough supported to approve the First Amendment to the Master Deed for Creek Point Estates Condominium as presented.

YEAS: Mayor McDonough, O'Connor, Schaefer, Boggs, Brands, Cobby

NAYS: None

Carried

Schaefer moved, O'Connor supported to approve the resolution authorizing acceptance to offer of dedication of road rights of way shown on master deed for Creek Point Estates Condominium.

YEAS: O'Connor, Schaefer, Boggs, Brands, Cobby, Mayor McDonough

NAYS: None

Carried

Schaefer moved, Mayor McDonough supported to approve the purchase of 3 additional AED's from Allied 100 for the price of \$4,185.00 to be placed at the DPW Barn, Water Plant and WWTP.

YEAS: Schaefer, Boggs, Brands, Cobby Mayor McDonough, O'Connor

NAYS: None

Carried

Mayor McDonough moved, Brands supported to award the bid to Great Lakes Fusion, accepting the base bid in the amount of \$41,560.00 for the demolition of 112 E. Main Street.

YEAS: Boggs, Brands, Cobby, Mayor McDonough, O'Connor, Schaefer

NAYS: None

Carried

CITIZENS SPEAK – AGENDA ITEMS ONLY:

Paula Brooks – Asked what the bid amount was for the demo of 112 E. Main St.

COUNCIL COMMENTS:

Boggs: He said that he is hearing of a few new businesses that haven't been inspected.

Cobby: Nothing to add

O'Connor: He said the Bistro on West Main Street needs to be taken down, the roof is caved in and it may be unsafe.

Brands: He told the Council that the story on the edible landscape made news all throughout our country and even into Switzerland. He said that he is starting to put up Christmas lights and the cost of them have gone up to \$5.00 per string, he asked for an additional \$1000.00 be added to the Christmas Lights fund.

Boggs moved, O'Connor supported to add an additional \$1,000.00 to the Christmas budget for lights.

YEAS: Cobby, Mayor McDonough, O'Connor, Boggs

NAYS: Schaefer

ABSTAIN: Brands

Carried

Brands continued saying he will be coming to the Council after the first of the year at ask to buy additional rocking chairs for the downtown.

Schaefer: Nothing to add

Mayor McDonough: He said that Grand Trunk Railroad is having serious issues with their gates/bells/lights not working. He said that if the City of Durand police respond to calls regarding the non-working gates/lights that the City should bill Grand Truck Railroad as their police should be responding.

City Manager: He reminded the council that pay apps for the 2021 USDA Street Project do not have to come before the Council for approval but he wants you to be informed as to what is being paid:

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| Zito Construction, Street Portion, Pay App#4A | \$481,483.84 |
| Zito Construction, Water Portion, Pay App#4B | \$420,709.37 |
| Rowe Engineering, Street Portion | \$ 13,892.75 |
| Rowe Engineering, Water Portion | \$ 27,704.00 |

City Manager: He told Council that part of the RRC Certification requires an annual meeting with the Regional Strategic Planning Committee, which includes the City of Durand, Village of Vernon and Vernon Township representatives. He said that they met last week and reviewed their plans and decided that the plans would stay the same but that they are moving slowly due to lack of funding.

Mayor McDonough adjourned the meeting at 6:13 p.m.

Ken McDonough, Mayor

Mindy McKay, Deputy City Clerk