

Minutes of the regular Durand City Council meeting held on Monday, March 18, 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: Brian Boggs, Mayor Brands, Deb Doyle, Rich Folaron, Amber Rochefort (arrived at 6:43 p.m.)

Absent: Pat O'Connor, Nick Florindi

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:

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

APPROVAL OF AGENDA:

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

Carried

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

Folaron moved, Doyle supported to approve the minutes of the regular meeting held on February 5, 2024 as presented.

Carried

APPROVAL OF BILLS:

Boggs moved, Folaron to approve bills number 57079-57230.

YEAS: Boggs, Mayor Brands, Doyle, Rochefort

NAYS: None

Carried

HEARING OF REPRESENTATIVES AND CITIZENS PRESENT:

Lisa Lahring, 708 S. Oak Street Offered Prayer

COUNCIL RESPONSE TO CITIZENS PRESENT:

Several council members thanked Ms. Lahring for the prayer.

ITEMS OF BUSINESS:

Doyle moved, Folaron supported to confirm Scott Fetting as the next DPW Director per the Durand City Charter statute.

Carried

Presentation: Jill Reynolds with Waste Management

Jill Reynolds along with Cody Baker made a presentation to the council to bring 98 gallon carts for refuse and recycling to the City of Durand. They explained that we are mid way into our five year agreement with Waste Management and now is the time to bring this to the council as a proposal. Ms. Reynolds said that she would bring this to Council once it was prepared and at that time, she would answer any questions or concerns that they may have.

Public Hearing for Purchase of Police Cruise with assistance from USDA:

Mayor Brands opened the hearing at 6:52 p.m.

No one spoke

Mayor Brands closed the hearing at 6:53 p.m.

Boggs moved, Rochefort supported to approve the grant proposal of a new police cruiser with the assistance of the USDA.

YEAS: Boggs, Mayor Brands, Doyle, Folaron, Rochefort

NAYS: None

Carried

Boggs moved, Doyle supported to approve the Resolution of Understanding to Utilize the Shiawassee County Brownfield Redevelopment Authority for the Old Simplicity Redevelopment project located at 209 S. Oak Street as presented by AKT Peerless.

YEAS: Mayor Brands, Doyle, Folaron, Rochefort, Boggs

NAYS: None

Boggs moved, Rochefort supported to approve the Resolution Concurring with the Provisions of a Brownfield Plan Adopted by the Shiawassee County Brownfield Redevelopment Authority as presented by AKT Peerless.

YEAS: Doyle, Folaron, Rochefort, Boggs, Mayor Brands

NAYS: None

Carried

Folaron moved, Boggs supported to approve invoice #2030240 from Wade Trim in an amount not to exceed \$4,877.68 for the Pedestrian Crosswalk Study.

YEAS: Folaron, Rochefort, Boggs, Mayor Brands, Doyle

NAYS: None

Carried

Boggs moved, Rochefort supported to approve the quote from Municipal Emergency Services for Fire Department equipment in an amount not to exceed \$7,884.50.

YEAS: Rochefort, Boggs, Mayor Brands, Doyle, Folaron

NAYS: None

Carried

Doyle moved, Rochefort supported to approve the quote from Kevin Tomlinson in an amount not to exceed \$4,725.97 to be paid for with ARPA funds.

YEAS: Boggs, Mayor Brands, Doyle, Folaron, Rochefort

NAYS: None

Carried

Boggs moved, Folaron supported to approve pay application #5 from Oak Construction for the WWTP CWSRF project in an amount not to exceed \$217,807.17.

YEAS: Mayor Brands, Doyle, Folaron, Rochefort, Boggs

NAYS: None

Carried

Boggs moved, Rochefort supported to approve the Protecting Local Government Retirement and Benefits Act Application Waiver for Defined Benefit Pension Retirement Systems as presented for submission to the Michigan Department of Treasury.

YEAS: Doyle, Folaron, Rochefort, Boggs, Mayor Brands

NAYS: None

Carried

Boggs moved, Folaron supported to approve invoice #93655 from Watkins Ross in an amount not to exceed \$4,500.00.

YEAS: Folaron, Rochefort, Boggs, Mayor Brands, Doyle

NAYS: None

Carried

Doyle moved, Rochefort supported to approve the revised Purchase Agreement between the City of Durand and Archway Management, LLC as presented.

YEAS: Rochefort, Boggs, Mayor Brands, Doyle, Folaron

NAYS: None

Carried

Boggs moved, Folaron supported to approve the revised rental agreement with Top Shelf Hockey League as presented.

YEAS: Boggs, Mayor Brands, Doyle, Folaron, Rochefort

NAYS: None

Carried

Doyle moved, Rochefort supported to approve invoice #3013 from FIP Irrigation Services in an amount not to exceed \$3,911.69 for irrigation service for the Veteran's Memorial Park.

YEAS: Mayor Brands, Doyle, Folaron, Rochefort, Boggs

NAYS: None

Carried

Boggs moved, Folaron supported to approve the proposal from SESSA for ambulance service as presented.

YEAS: Doyle, Folaron, Rochefort, Boggs, Mayor Brands

NAYS: None

Carried

Boggs moved, Rochefort supported to approve the Lease Agreement between the City of Durand and T-Mobile as presented.

YEAS: Folaron, Rochefort, Boggs, Mayor Brands, Doyle

NAYS: None

Carried

Discussion: Dover Estates Sidewalks

A resident asked to have sidewalks installed from Dover Estates to the elementary school. The City Attorney said that there is a "Safe Routes to Schools" grant that may help with necessary funding. It was the consensus to look into this grant opportunity.

CITIZENS SPEAK – AGENDA ITEMS ONLY:

Paula Brooks, 104 W. Summit She asked how much was the Fire Department Equipment and what was the amount for the Rural Readiness grant.

Deb White, 512 N. Saginaw Street. She wanted to know if Waste Management would be giving carts for yard waste also.

CITY COUNCIL COMMENTS:

Doyle: No comments

Rochefort: No comments

Boggs: Cody Baker said that if anyone on the council wanted to try out the new refuse/recycling carts that he would deliver them on tomorrow.

Folaron: No comments

Brands: He talked about the \$1,000,000 grant for Trumble Park that was recently announced. He also said that there were three new pickleball courts going into Optimist Park. The Chicken BBQ proceeds are being donated to the City to build dug outs and benches for the Optimist Park ball fields.

Mayor Brands adjourned the meeting at 7:40 p.m.

Jeffrey Brands, Mayor

Mindy McKay, City Clerk