

Minutes of the regular meeting of the Durand City Council held on Monday, July 22, 2019 in the Council Chambers of Durand City Hall.

Mayor Doyle called the meeting to order at 7:30 p.m.

**ROLL CALL:**

Present: Brian Boggs, Jeff Brands, Connie Copley, Mayor Deborah Doyle, Rich Folaron, John Matejewski, Ken McDonough

Absent: None

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:**

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

**SPECIAL PRESENTATION:** Council presented Rowland Ferwerda a special resolution in honor of 28 plus years of service upon his retirement with the City of Durand.

**APPROVAL OF AGENDA:**

McDonough moved, Folaron supported to approve the agenda as presented.

Carried

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES:**

McDonough moved, Folaron supported to approve the minutes of the regular meeting held on June 3, 2019, the special meeting held on June 25, 2019 and the executive session held on June 25, 2019, as presented.

Carried

**APPROVAL OF BILLS:**

McDonough moved, Brands supported to approve bill numbers 51097-51274.

YEAS: Boggs, Brands, Copley, Mayor Doyle, Folaron, Matejewski, McDonough

NAYS: None

Carried

**HEARING OF REPRESENTATIVES AND CITIZENS PRESENT:**

No one spoke.

**ITEMS OF BUSINESS:**

Folaron moved, Boggs supported to cast the city's ballot for the candidates, as listed, for the Michigan Municipal League Worker Compensation Fund Board of Trustees.

Carried

Boggs moved, Copley supported to approve the FY2020 local funding commitment request from the Shiawassee Area Transportation Agency in an amount not to exceed \$9,937.00.

YEAS: Brands, Copley, Mayor Doyle, Folaron, Matejewski, McDonough, Boggs

NAYS: None

Carried

Boggs moved, Cobley supported to approve the purchase of eight East Jordon fire hydrants in the amount of \$12,800.00.

YEAS: Cobley, Mayor Doyle, Folaron, Matejewski, Boggs, Brands

NAYS: None

ABSTAIN: McDonough

Carried

McDonough moved, Folaron supported to approve the purchase of a spectrophotometer from Hach Company in the amount of \$4,143.60.

YEAS: Mayor Doyle, Folaron, Matejewski, McDonough, Boggs, Brands, Cobley

NAYS: None

Carried

Folaron moved, McDonough supported to approve City Manager's appointment of Nick Spaniola as Fire Chief subject to a standard six month probationary period.

Carried

Nick Spaniola was given the Oath of Office for the position of Fire Chief by the City Clerk.

Matejewski moved, Cobley supported to approve the mayoral appointment of Matthew Schaefer to the Parks and Recreation Board.

Carried

Brands moved, McDonough supported to approve the agreement for the State Fresh Zone Deodorization Program in the amount of \$454.44 monthly for one year.

YEAS: Folaron, Matejewski, McDonough, Boggs, Brands, Cobley, Mayor Doyle

NAYS: None

Carried

#### **CITIZENS SPEAK – AGENDA ITEMS ONLY:**

No one spoke

#### **DEPARTMENT REPORTS:**

Fire Chief: He thanked the Department and Council for their support.

DPW Supervisor: He thanked Rowland for his years of service to the City. He said that the Street Project will be starting on Wednesday, July 24<sup>th</sup>.

Police Chief: Reviewed his report that was provided to the Council. He said that the department is monitoring speeding in Durand. He stated that the department has routine training coming up soon. Officer Rogers is back to work after his shoulder injury.

City Engineer: Street Project begins Wednesday, July 24<sup>th</sup>. All appropriate notices have been delivered and will continue to be delivered as project progresses. Storm sewer project bids will be sent out by the end of this week.

City Attorney: Nothing new.

City Manager: We are looking to hire one position in the DPW and one position in Utilities. Master Plan survey is still open on our web page.

City Clerk/Treasurer: Congratulations to Rowland, we are going to miss you.

**COUNCIL COMMENTS:**

McDonough: He congratulated Nick and Rowland. He told the audience that the City pays for the railroad crossings to be repaired but we have no say as to when they will be repaired. He also said that the City has no authority on getting Consumer's Energy to remove the power pole at O'Reilly's Auto store. DPW Supervisor said that he talked to railroad and they are going to repair Oak Street crossing and Monroe Rd. crossing in August.

Cobley: She stated that residents are confused with the brush pickup. DPW Supervisor said that the city is going to be picking up brush this week.

Matejewski: He would like to see more of a police presence in the downtown with regards to illegal "U turns". He would like to see a part time officer that would write citations in that area.

Brands: Congratulations to Rowland and Nick. He stated that Rock the Block was a great success for the first year. Thanks to everyone that helped out with the event.

Boggs: Congratulations to Rowland and Nick.

Folaron: Congratulations to Rowland and Nick. He said that Rock the Block was great, and would like to help next year.

Doyle: Congratulations to Rowland and Nick. She said that the Attorney General announced that if you were without power for 16 hours or more, you will get a credit of \$25.00.

Mayor Doyle adjourned the meeting at 8:00 p.m.