

The regular meeting of the Harrisville City Council was held on December 14, 2020. This was a Virtual Zoom meeting.

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 P.M. by Mayor Gehring and the Pledge of Allegiance was said.

Present: Mayor Gehring, Treasurer Luenberger, Aldermen Peterson and Kaiser in attendance. Clerk Pierce, Council Members: Schwanz, Mason, Bean, and City Attorney Cook attended by Zoom call.

Motion by Mason support by Schwanz to accept the minutes of November 9, 2020 as amended. Motion carried: 5-0.

Motion by Kaiser, support by Peterson to pay the bills in the amount of \$49,940.41. Motion carried 5-0.

Mayor Gehring informed council of the County Designated Assessor agreement between the city and the county. Discussion.

Motion by Kaiser, support by Peterson for Mayor Gehring to enter into agreement with the County of Alcona for the services of the designated assessor upon approval of the State Tax Commission. Ayes: Schwanz, Kaiser, Mason, Bean, Peterson. Nay: 0. Motion carried: 5-0.

Mayor Gehring informed council of a new Water Line Policy for the City of Harrisville, recommended by the mayor and the city maintenance department. It defines the extent of the city and the property owner's liability when a water line is deemed necessary for replacement because of outdated lines from the city curb stop to the owners building.

Motion by Mason, support by Kaiser to adopt this city policy of water line replacement. Ayes: Schwanz, Kaiser, Mason, Bean, Peterson. Nay: 0. Motion carried: 5-0.

Mayor Gehring informed council of the Charging Station Agreement. RED E Charging will install electric vehicle chargers (EV Chargers) on the premises as defined herein, and will provide value to the city by attracting electric vehicle owners and the public to, and providing additional visibility of the property described as: 1 E. Harbor LN. (lower parking lot). Installation to begin upon review and inspection of site, beginning January 1, 2021.

Motion by Schwanz, support by Kaiser to accept Charging Station Agreement. Ayes: Schwanz, Kaiser, Mason, Bean, Peterson. Nay: 0. Motion carried: 5-0.

Mayor Gehring introduced Richard Castle from Consumers Energy to inform council about solar energy options for Consumer Energy customers in the city of Harrisville. A presentation and conversation was also put forth by Jeff Myrom of Consumers Energy as to the feasibility of electric fleet vehicles for the city and education and technical development for such a project.

Mayor Gehring opened the Water/Sewer Budget Hearing for 2021 at 8:10 PM with a public comment period. No public comments concerning the budget were made. Budget meeting closed at 8:18 PM. Treasurer Luenberger presented budget overview with discussion by council. The millage rate will be 3.30 mils for the water debt.

Motion by Kaiser, support by Peterson to approve the Water/Sewer Budget for 2021. Motion carried: 5-0.

REPORTS

Mayor Gehring, with advice from Attorney Cook, to discuss administrative and municipal employees pay raises at the next finance meeting scheduled for February, 2021, prior to the setting of the General Fund Budget in March, 2021.

Treasurer Luenberger reminds residents that Winter Taxes will be due February 15, 2021.

Airport Commission Assistant Manager Colleen Higgins, submitted a written report on the ongoing logging of obstructions at the south end of the runway. State Aeronautics member, Mary

Trierweiler, has approved Harrisville Airport to stay on the state provisional list for certification until the obstructions have been removed and is in accordance with MDOT and FAA regulations.

Comment Cards: None.

Councils Last Comments: Alderman Mason addressed the issue and development of the Huron Bluffs area which is located within Harrisville Township.

Motion to adjourn by Mayor Gehring.

Adjourned at 8:29 P.M.

Next regularly scheduled City Council meeting is Monday, January 11, 2021, at 7:00 PM.

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Mayor _____

Clerk _____