

**CITY OF SWARTZ CREEK  
SWARTZ CREEK, MICHIGAN  
MINUTES OF THE REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING  
DATE 07/08/2019**

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m. by Mayor Krueger in the Swartz Creek City Council Chambers, 8083 Civic Drive.

Invocation and Pledge of Allegiance.

Councilmembers Present: Cramer, Farmer, Hicks, Krueger, Pinkston.

Councilmembers Absent: Gilbert, Root.

Staff Present: City Manager Adam Zettel, Clerk Connie Eskew.

Others Present: Lania Rocha, Bob Plumb, Steve Shumaker, Nate Henry, Erik Jamison, Vanessa Warren OHM, Juan Zuniga, Jim Barclay, Chris Stritmatter City Attorney.

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

**Resolution No. 190708-01**

**(Carried)**

Motion by Councilmember Cramer  
Second by Councilmember Hicks

**I Move** the Swartz Creek City Council approve the Minutes of the Regular Council Meeting held Monday June 24, 2019 to be circulated and placed on file.

YES Farmer, Hicks, Krueger, Pinkston, Cramer.  
NO: None. Motion Declared Carried.

**APPROVAL OF AGENDA**

**Resolution No. 190708-02**

**(Carried)**

Motion by Councilmember Farmer  
Second by Councilmember Cramer

**I Move** the Swartz Creek City Council approve the Agenda as, presented for the Regular Council Meeting of July 8, 2019, to be circulated and placed on file.

YES: Hicks, Krueger, Pinkston, Cramer, Farmer.  
NO: None. Motion Declared Carried.

**EXCUSE COUNCILMEMBERS GILBERT & ROOT**

**Resolution No. 190708-03**

**(Carried)**

Motion by Councilmember Cramer  
Second by Councilmember Hicks

**I Move** the Swartz Creek City Council excuse Councilmember Gilbert and Councilmember Root.

YES: Unanimous Voice Vote.  
NO: None. Motion declared carried.

**CITY MANAGER'S REPORT**

**Resolution No. 190708-04**

**(Carried)**

Motion by Councilmember Hicks  
Second by Councilmember Cramer

**I Move** the Swartz Creek City Council accept the City Manager's Report of July 8, 2019, including reports and communications to be circulated and placed on file.

Discussion Ensued.

YES: Krueger, Pinkston, Cramer, Farmer, Hicks.  
NO: None. Motion Declared Carried.

**MEETING OPENED TO THE PUBLIC:**

None.

**COUNCIL BUSINESS:**

**RESOLUTION TO APPOINT OFFICIALS TO THE PLANNING COMMISSION & DOWNTOWN DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY**

**Resolution No. 190708-05**

**(Carried)**

Motion by Mayor Pro Tem Pinkston  
Second by Councilmember Cramer

**WHEREAS**, the laws of the State of Michigan, the Charter and Ordinances of the City of Swartz Creek, interlocal agreements in which the City of Swartz Creek is a member, and previous resolutions of the city council require and set terms of offices for various appointments to city boards and commissions, as

well as appointments to non-city boards and commissions seeking representation by city officials; and

**WHEREAS**, there exists a vacancy on the Planning Commission and Downtown Development Authority; and

**WHEREAS**, said appointments are Mayoral appointments, subject to affirmation of the city council.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, the Swartz Creek City Council concur with the Mayor and City Council appointment as follows:

**#190708-05C1** **MAYOR APPOINTMENT:** **Robert Plumb**  
DDA, Non-property interest/resident  
Four Year Term, expiring June 30, 2023

**#190624-05C2** **MAYOR APPOINTMENT:** **Juan Zuniga**  
Planning Commission, Resident  
Three year term, expiring June 30, 2022

Discussion Ensued.

YES: Pinkston, Cramer, Farmer, Hicks, Krueger.

NO: None. Motion Declared Carried.

## **RESOLUTION TO AMEND THE PARK RULES FOR THE PURPOSE OF OPERATING A DOG PARK**

**Resolution No. 190708-06**

**(Carried)**

Motion by Councilmember Cramer  
Second by Councilmember Farmer

**WHEREAS**, the City of Swartz Creek owns, operates, and maintains public park and recreation facilities and desires to promote safe and equitable use of those facilities; and

**WHEREAS**, the city regulates use of city parks through the adoption of "Park Rules and Regulations" as enabled by City Ordinance Section 11-47, Park Rules and Regulations, which reads as follows: the City Council may by resolution adopt rules and regulations governing the use of parks, including prohibitions or restrictions on uses and acts within parks; and

**WHEREAS**, the city park and recreation commission recommends amending of the attached Park Rules and Regulations to enable the operation of a dog park as donated by community Boy Scouts of America members.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, the Swartz Creek City Council hereby approve the amended park rules as attached.

Discussion Ensued.

YES: Cramer, Farmer, Hicks, Krueger, Pinkston.

NO: None. Motion Declared Carried.

**A RESOLUTION TO APPROVE INCENTIVE PROGRAM GUIDELINES FOR SELECT PROPERTIES IN THE CITY AS PART OF THE REDEVELOPMENT READY COMMUNITIES INITIATIVE**

**Resolution No. 190708-07**

**(Carried)**

Motion by Councilmember Farmer  
Second by Councilmember Cramer

**WHEREAS**, the city, in pursuing certification as a Redevelopment Ready Community, must demonstrate an ability to provide for site-specific incentives for select redevelopment sites within the city, and;

**WHEREAS**, specific properties shall be noted in the community economic development strategy as priority sites for redevelopment, and;

**WHEREAS**, such sites are noted to have functional, environmental, or other deficiencies that makes reuse, preservation, and enhancement financially impractical, and;

**WHEREAS**, staff has consulted with the Swartz Creek Planning Commission, CIB Planning, and the MEDC to compile a set of tools that will be most likely to have a positive impact on repurposing existing RRC sites and similar sites without compromising public processes, fairness in treatment/access to incentives, or public services, and;

**WHEREAS**, guidelines, a checklist, processes, and an application have been developed to enable the incentive program in a manner that meets the intent of the program and is predictable, fair, and proportionate to the benefit produced, and;

**WHEREAS**, the Planning Commission recommended approval of the incentive program, with changes, at their regular meeting on July 2, 2019.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, the City of Swartz Creek City Council hereby approves the Swartz Creek RRC Incentive Program, including the attached application, checklist, and policy guidelines, which shall enable consideration of incentives for development projects within the city that meet program criteria.

Discussion Ensued.

YES: Cramer, Farmer, Hicks, Krueger, Pinkston.  
NO: None. Motion Declared Carried.

## **RESOLUTION TO APPROVE PRELIMINARY ENGINEERING FOR THE GENESEE VALLEY TRAIL EXTENSION**

**Resolution No. 190708-08**

**(Carried)**

Motion by Councilmember Hicks  
Second by Councilmember Farmer

**WHEREAS**, the City of Swartz Creek Master Plan, as well as the Parks and Recreation Plan, encourage the establishment and expansion of a non-motorized trail system within the city that will connect to the Genesee Valley Trail at Dye Road; and

**WHEREAS**, the city has been awarded conditional grant funds from the Michigan Department of Transportation to support the construction of this trail extension; and

**WHEREAS**, an application is pending with the Michigan Department of Natural Resources to provide additional funds for this project, with said announcement expected to occur in late fall of 2019; and

**WHEREAS**, the city seeks to bid the project immediately after such award is announced in order to get better pricing on the construction elements of the project; and

**WHEREAS**, the State of Michigan Public Act 51 requires that street authorities allocate 1% or greater of their road revenues to non-motorized transportation; and

**WHEREAS**, OHM Advisors, the city engineering firm that designed the schematic engineering that is being used to request grant support, has submitted a proposal for the preliminary engineering of the project that will be required for bidding.

**THEREFORE, I MOVE** the City of Swartz Creek City Council approves the schematic engineering proposal submitted by OHM Advisors on July 3, 2019, funds to be paid from Fund 101 General Fund and/or Fund 202, the Major Street Fund, as directed by the city treasurer, in the amount of \$82,500.00 and further directs the Mayor to execute said proposal on behalf of the city.

Discussion Ensued.

YES: Farmer, Hicks, Krueger, Pinkston, Cramer.  
NO: None. Motion Declared Carried.

**MEETING OPENED TO THE PUBLIC:**

Michael Berry, 9251 Jill Marie concerns on the Fortino Drive/Morrish Road project. He would like a performance bond required and he was concerned about the selling price of the property. He was also concerned of the proposed selling price of the townhomes, he felt it was high.

**REMARKS BY COUNCILMEMBERS:**

Councilmember Cramer discussed the Michigan Brownfield Redevelopment Program brochure he passed out.

Councilmember Farmer reminded everyone that the Slip & Slide is Saturday, July 20<sup>th</sup> 11-4 @ Elms Park.

Councilmember Hicks commented on the Cappy and Fairchild intersection stop signs.

Mayor Pro Tem Pinkston commented on the proposed sports betting bill.

Mayor Krueger thanked Councilmember Cramer for the brochure.

**ADJOURNMENT**

**Resolution No. 190708-09**

**(Carried)**

Motion by Mayor Pro Tem Pinkston  
Second by Councilmember Farmer

**I Move** the Swartz Creek City Council adjourn the regular meeting at 7:59 p.m.

Unanimous Voice Vote.

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**David A. Krueger, Mayor**

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**Connie Eskew, City Clerk**