

**CITY OF SWARTZ CREEK
SWARTZ CREEK, MICHIGAN
MINUTES OF THE REGULAR (HYBRID) COUNCIL MEETING
DATE 3/08/2021**

The hybrid meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m. by Mayor Pro Tem Hicks.

Invocation and Pledge of Allegiance.

Councilmembers Present: Fountain, Farmer, Gilbert, Hicks, Krueger, Pinkston, Henry.

Councilmembers Absent: None.

Staff Present: City Manager Adam Zettel, Clerk Connie Olger, City Attorney Chris Stritmatter, Director of Public Services.

Others Present: Lania Rocha, Bob Plumb, Dennis Cramer, Brenda Huyck, Jason Christie.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Resolution No. 210308-01

(Carried)

Motion by Councilmember Henry
Second by Councilmember Gilbert

I Move the Swartz Creek City Council approve the Minutes of the Regular Council Meeting held Monday February 22, 2021 to be circulated and placed on file.

YES Farmer, Gilbert, Hicks, Krueger, Pinkston, Henry, Fountain.
NO: None. Motion Declared Carried.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Resolution No. 210308-02

(Carried)

Motion by Councilmember Pinkston
Second by Councilmember Gilbert

I Move the Swartz Creek City Council approve the Agenda as, printed for the Regular Council Meeting of March 8, 2021, to be circulated and placed on file.

YES: Gilbert, Hicks, Krueger, Pinkston, Henry, Fountain, Farmer.
NO: None. Motion Declared Carried.

CITY MANAGER'S REPORT

Resolution No. 210308-03

(Carried)

Motion by Councilmember Gilbert
Second by Councilmember Farmer

I Move the Swartz Creek City Council accept the City Manager's Report of March 8, 2021, including reports and communications to be circulated and placed on file.

Discussion Ensued.

YES: Hicks, Krueger, Pinkston, Henry, Fountain, Farmer, Gilbert.
NO: None. Motion Declared Carried.

MEETING OPENED TO THE PUBLIC:

Dennis Cramer 5299 Worchester Drive, questioned if individual objecting with easement if they have attended any council meetings and voiced their concerns and are they the only one objecting to the project. Mr. Zettel responded that the individual is the only one he is formally aware of not cooperating.

Mr. Cramer also commented on the race track and potential new owners.

COUNCIL BUSINESS:

RESOLUTION TO APPROVE TREE REMOVAL SERVICES RELATED TO THE GENESEE VALLEY TRAIL EXTENSION

Resolution No. 210308-04

(Carried)

Motion by Councilmember Fountain
Second by Councilmember Farmer

WHEREAS, the City of Swartz Creek intends to commence construction of the Genesee Valley Trail Extension in the city in 2021, and

WHEREAS, tree removal services are required as part of this project, and

WHEREAS, the city engineer recommends we perform these services in advance and separate from the MDOT related work, as a means to save money and time, and

WHEREAS, the work was bid in accordance with the city's finance ordinance, with multiple bid holders taking specifications and one contractor providing a price, and

WHEREAS, the city engineer has reviewed the bid price in relation to prior work in the city and in the region, and he recommends we proceed, and

WHEREAS, Great Lakes Tree Experts, Inc. has performed extensive work in the city and is in good standing.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the City of Swartz Creek City Council accepts the bid of Great Lakes Tree Experts, Inc. in the amount of \$8,160 for the noted services.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the City of Swartz Creek directs the Treasurer to apportion expenses from the major street and general funds.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the City Council directs the City Manager to prepare and execute a standard contractor's agreement on behalf of the city.

Discussion Ensued.

YES: Krueger, Pinkston, Henry, Fountain, Farmer, Gilbert, Hicks.

NO: None. Motion Declared Carried.

WASTE BID REVIEW COMMITTEE

Resolution No. 210308-05

(Carried)

Motion by Councilmember Farmer
Second by Councilmember Fountain

WHEREAS, under the General Operating Rules of the Council, the Mayor, with the advice and consent of Council, may appoint temporary committees whose membership may include persons not on Council; and

WHEREAS, such committees must be temporary in nature, have a specific purpose, and include a specific time frame for their activities; and

WHEREAS, the city has recently received bids for the collection of garbage, recycling, and yard waste from four different carries; and

WHEREAS, the council desires to enable a committee of councilmembers, staff, and other stakeholders to review the proposals, interview contractors, and check references; and

WHEREAS, the council further desires the committee to report a final recommendation regarding the preferred bidder.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, the City of Swartz Creek City Council hereby creates a temporary committee, to be referred to as the “Waste Bid Review Committee,” for the purpose of reviewing and making a recommendation regarding the preferred contractor for the city’s next waste, recycling, and yard waste collection contract.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, the Waste Bid Review Committee shall endeavor to deliver such findings at or before the regular meeting on April 26, 2021 and be subsequently dissolved unless otherwise engaged in further reviews at the direction of the city council.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, the membership of the Waste Bid Review Committee shall be coordinated by the City Manager and composed of the following individuals:

Councilmember Gilbert
Councilmember Henry
Chad Young
Andy Harris
Dennis Cramer

Discussion Ensued.

YES: Pinkston, Henry, Fountain, Farmer, Gilbert, Hicks, Krueger.
NO: None. Motion Declared Carried.

RESOLUTION TO APPROVE PROFESSIONAL SERVICES FOR PRELIMINARY DESIGN OF MILLER ROAD

Resolution No. 210308-06

(Carried)

Motion by Mayor Krueger
Second by Councilmember Farmer

WHEREAS, the City of Swartz Creek owns, operates, and maintains a system of major and local streets, and

WHEREAS, the major streets within the city qualify for federal rehabilitation and replacement assistance through the regionally administered Transportation Improvement Program, and

WHEREAS, this funding provides reimbursement of up to 80% of the cost for such street work, and

WHEREAS, additional funds are often made available due to delays on other federal projects within the region or because of additional funds made available for special purposes, and

WHEREAS, the city wishes to place a high priority on the rehabilitation of Miller Road, from N. Seymour to Morrish, with the hope that this will be a priority TIP project or otherwise be eligible for funding additions, and

WHEREAS, completion of preliminary design will increase the eligibility and likelihood that Miller Road can be a candidate for federal funding, and

WHEREAS, OHM Advisors, functioning as the city's consultant engineer, delivered a proposal, dated February 23, 2021 to provide such services.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the City of Swartz Creek City Council accepts the proposal from OHM in the amount of \$25,500 for the noted services.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the City of Swartz Creek directs the Treasurer to apportion expenses from the major street fund.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the City Council directs the Mayor to execute said proposal on behalf of the city.

Discussion Ensued.

YES: Henry, Fountain, Farmer, Gilbert, Hicks, Krueger, Pinkston.

NO: None. Motion Declared Carried.

MEETING OPENED TO THE PUBLIC:

Dennis Cramer 5299 Worchester Drive, commented on the State Historic Preservation Organization.

Brenda Huyck, Hometown Days Committee, they will be moving forward with Hometown Days June 3-6th. They will present a final plan once it's completed, she just asked the council to be patient.

REMARKS BY COUNCILMEMBERS:

Councilmember Henry saw a lot of people out walking and he thanked Andy Harris for taking care of issues he reported.

Councilmember Farmer wondered if we could put up the tennis nets. Mr. Harris replied he would get them put up this week.

Councilmember Fountain is excited about the news of Hometown Days happening this year.

Councilmember Pinkston the village looks good, trees are down already and glad to see construction starting.

Councilmember Gilbert everyone enjoy the weather.

Mayor Krueger thanked Rae Lynn for running the meeting tonight and appreciates the warmer weather.

Mayor Pro Tem Hicks remarked March is Women's History month and today is international women's day.

ADJOURNMENT

Resolution No. 210308-07

(Carried)

Motion by Councilmember Gilbert
Second by Councilmember Farmer

I Move the Swartz Creek City Council adjourn the regular meeting at 7:52 p.m.

Unanimous Voice Vote.

David A. Krueger, Mayor

Connie Olger, City Clerk