

**CITY OF SWARTZ CREEK  
SWARTZ CREEK, MICHIGAN  
MINUTES OF THE COUNCIL MEETING  
DATE 09/08/2008**

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

Invocation and Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

Councilmembers Present: Mayor Abrams, Adams, Mayor Pro-Tem Christie, Hicks, Hurt, Shumaker.

Councilmembers Absent: Porath.

Staff Present: City Manager Bueche, City Attorney Colin Linsenman, City Clerk Juanita Aguilar.

Others Present: Boots Abrams, Tommy Butler, David Krueger, Betty Binder, Chuck Shinouskis, Jim Florence, Natalie Dennings, Bruce Beatty, Ron Schultz, John Gilbert, Jamie Adams.

**Resolution No. 080908-01**

**(Carried)**

Motion by Mayor Pro-Tem Christie  
Second by Councilmember Hurt

**I Move** the Swartz Creek City Council hereby excuse the absence of Councilmember Porath from the September 8, 2008 Council meeting due to work commitments.

YES: Adams, Christie, Hicks, Hurt, Shumaker, Abrams.  
NO: None. Motion Declared Carried.

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

**Resolution No. 080908-02**

**(Carried)**

Motion by Mayor Pro-Tem Christie  
Second by Councilmember Hurt

**I Move** the Swartz Creek City Council hereby approve the Minutes for the Regular Council Meeting, held August 25, 2008, to be circulated and placed on file.

YES: Christie, Hicks, Hurt, Shumaker, Abrams, Adams.  
NO: None. Motion Declared Carried.

**APPROVAL OF AGENDA**

**Resolution No. 080908-03**

**(Carried)**

Motion by Councilmember Shumaker  
Second by Councilmember Hurt

**I Move** the Swartz Creek City Council approve the Agenda, as amended, for the Regular Council Meeting of September 8, 2008 to be circulated and placed on file.

Item 8D, Phase I Non-Motorized Trailway, Change Order, was dropped from the Agenda due to lack of information at this time and will be put on the Agenda for the next Council meeting.

YES: Hicks, Hurt, Shumaker, Abrams, Adams, Christie.  
NO: None. Motion declared carried.

**REPORTS AND COMMUNICATIONS:**

**City Manager's Report**

**Resolution No. 080908-04**

**(Carried)**

Motion by Councilmember Hicks  
Second by Councilmember Hurt

**I Move** the Swartz Creek City Council approve the City Manager's Report of September 8, 2008, to be circulated and placed on file.

Discussion Took Place.

YES: Hurt, Shumaker, Abrams, Adams, Christie, Hicks.  
NO: None. Motion declared carried.

All other reports and communications were accepted and placed on file.

**MEETING OPENED TO THE PUBLIC:**

Betty Binder, 8079 Bristol Road, talked about the Veteran's Memorial. Ms. Binder stated that the Navy statue is ordered and there is money in the fund to pay for it. The Air Force statue is being built at this time as well, however, Ms. Binder stated that they are \$16,000 short of paying for the Air Force statue. Ms. Binder stated that bricks are still available and donations are needed. Ms. Binder said that they are looking for organizations to adopt a flag to help costs for replacing the flags at the memorial.

Jim Florence, 4296 Springbrook, talked about the Marathon station. Mr. Florence asked for an update on the Senior Center Levy Building and Future Funding plan.

**COUNCIL BUSINESS:**

**Appropriation, 2009 Annual Fang Dues**

**Resolution No. 080908-05**

**(Carried)**

Motion by Councilmember Adams  
Second by Councilmember Shumaker

**I Move** the City of Swartz Creek appropriate and approve the expenditure in an amount not to exceed \$8,368 from Fund 265, the City's annual fees for membership of the Flint Area Narcotics Group.

YES: Shumaker, Abrams, Adams, Christie, Hicks, Hurt.  
NO: None. Motion Declared Carried.

**Appointment, Remainder of Vacated Planning Commission Term, James Florence**

**Resolution No. 080908-06**

**(Carried)**

Motion by Councilmember Hurt  
Second by Mayor Pro-Tem Christie

**I Move** the City of Swartz Creek Council concur with the Mayor's appointment of James Florence, of 4296 Springbrook Drive, to the Swartz Creek Planning Commission, to fill the remainder of the vacated term of Tom Kohloff, term expiring June 30, 2009.

YES: Shumaker, Abrams, Adams, Christie, Hicks, Hurt.  
NO: None. Motion Declared Carried.

**Re-Appointment, Local Officers Compensation Commission, Ron Schultz**

**Resolution No. 080908-07**

**(Carried)**

Motion by Mayor Pro-Tem Christie  
Second by Councilmember Shumaker

**I Move** the City of Swartz Creek re-appoint Ron Schultz, of 4279 Springbrook, to the Swartz Creek Local Officers Compensation Commission, term to run September 30, 2008, expiring September 30, 2011.

Discussion Took Place.

YES: Abrams, Adams, Christie, Hicks, Hurt, Shumaker.  
NO: None. Motion Declared Carried.

**Water and Sewer Bond Obligation**

**Resolution No. 080908-08**

**(Carried)**

Motion by Councilmember Shumaker  
Second by Councilmember Hurt

**Whereas**, the City of Swartz Creek has a need to pay to the County of Genesee the sum of \$84,068.07 to meet the bond and principal requirements on all bond obligations for water and sewer facilities in the calendar year 2008; and

**Whereas**, there are several means by which the funds can be secured to meet these payments; and

**Whereas**, all various means of securing these funds have been reviewed and considered.

**Now Therefore, Be It Resolved**, by the City of Swartz Creek, that the monies to meet the principal and interest requirements and all bond obligations for water and sewer facilities due in calendar year 2008 will be secured from the following funds:

Funds Already Available	\$84,068.07
<b>Grand Total</b>	<b>\$84,068.07</b>

Discussion Ensued.

YES: Adams, Christie, Hicks, Hurt, Shumaker, Abrams.  
NO: None. Motion Declared Carried.

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John Gilbert, 7459 Miller Road, stated that this year the Veteran’s Day service that the VFW /AMVETS/American Legion put on jointly will be at the Veteran’s Memorial.

**REMARKS BY COUNCILMEMBERS:**

Councilmember Shumaker commented on the payment of a bill; DDA Final Reimbursement Program for \$1503.49. Mr. Shumaker questioned what it was for. City Manager Bueche advised that it was for enhancements or improvements; the façade program through the DDA.

Councilmember Hicks questioned whether City Hall could create a “Wall of Volunteers” to showcase local volunteer organizations.

Mayor Pro-Tem Christie questioned where the schools get the fuel for the buses. He questioned whether the City could look into possibly joining forces with the schools to buy fuel for the City vehicles and possibly lowering the City’s fuel costs. City Manager Bueche stated that he would look into it.

Mayor Abrams talked about the banners on the wall at Kroger. City Manager Bueche stated that they had them removed and there were more back up a couple days later. Mayor Abrams talked about a car for sale at the entrance to Springbrook and stated that he was not happy with the way that looks. Mr. Florence stated that it wasn't on Springbrook property, just near the entrance. Mr. Abrams reported on the Genesee County Small Cities and Villages Association. He stated that 100% of those municipalities that belong to the organization attended the meeting.

**ADJOURNMENT:**

There being no objection, Mayor Abrams declared the meeting adjourned at 7:40p.m.

Richard Abrams, Mayor

Juanita Aguilar, City Clerk