

February 14, 2022
City Council Meeting

A regular meeting of the Eaton Rapids City Council was held at City Hall, 200 S. Main Street, on February 14, 2022, at 7:00 p.m.

Mayor Colestock called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

Present were: Mayor Colestock, Councilwoman Politza, Councilwoman Robison, Councilman Nicholas, and Councilman Steele.

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

The invocation was given by Pastor Jenny Rouble of First Congregational Church.

Steele moved, Politza seconded, PASSED, to approve the agenda.

Steele moved, Politza seconded, PASSED, to approve the January 24, 2022 Worksession Minutes .

Steele moved, Politza seconded, PASSED, to approve the January 24, 2022 Council Meeting Minutes.

Public Comments:

Chris Allen, 1015 Hyatt, commented on the G.A.R. Memorial Day application and clarified the firing of muskets.

Proclamations / Special Presentations: None

Consent Agenda:

Steele moved, Politza seconded, PASSED, to approve the consent agenda as follows:

- a. Check Register. Approve check disbursements totaling \$1,046,398.97.
- b. Special Event Application-Brittany Siple. Approve Special Event Application to hold a wedding ceremony at G.A.R. Island Park on October 15, 2022.
- c. Special Event Application-Samantha Hardenbaugh. Approve Special Event Application to hold a wedding ceremony at G.A.R. Island Park on June 4, 2022.
- d. Special Event Application-G.A.R. Memorial Hall & Museum Memorial Day Event. Approve Special Event Application to hold Memorial Day Parade, wreath laying and musket firing on May 30, 2022.
- e. First Read of Ordinance 2022-02. An Ordinance to Amend Section 1-8 of Chapter I, General Penalty, of the Codified Ordinances of City of Eaton Rapids, Eaton County, Michigan.
- f. Board Appointments.
 - Brandy Miller- ZBA for a term ending 11.01.24
 - John Hetzer- ZBA for a term ending 11.01.24
 - Cheryl Kapff- Board of Review for a term ending 1.31.26
 - Martin Vanek- Planning Commission for a term ending 1.31.25
 - Russ Halsey- Planning Commission for a term ending 1.31.25
 - Larry Wicker- Planning Commission for a term ending 1.31.25
 - Valerie Hiltz- Planning Commission for a term ending 1.31.24
 - Scott VanderMoere- Board of Review for a term ending 1.31.26

Robert South- Board of Review for a term ending 1.31.26

Items of Business:

- a. Steele moved, Politza seconded, PASSED, to approve Treasurer Marrie Jo Carr, Clerk Laura Boomer, and City Manager Susan Montenegro as signatories at Independent Bank for the City of Eaton Rapids bank accounts 1135 Common Cash, 1151 Payroll, 1177 Waste Water, 1148 Tax, 1164 Utilities, 1180 Health, 8987 Money Market, 1193 Savings.
- b. Robison moved, Steele seconded, PASSED, to approve the proposal for a School Resource Officer in partnership with Eaton Rapids Public Schools.

Reports:

- a. Mayor- none.
- b. Council-
Councilwoman Robison reported that she is thankful for School Resource Officer efforts.
- c. Staff-
City Manager Montenegro reported that she is becoming situated at the City. She is working on meeting with Council members and Department Heads individually. She is working on union contracts and IT updates.

Public Comments: None

Steele moved, Politza seconded, to enter Closed Session to consider a matter of attorney client privilege.
PASSED by roll call vote:

Yeas: Robison, Nicholas, Colestock, Steele, Politza

Nays: 0

Absent: 0

Council entered closed session at 7:40 p.m.

Council reconvened at 8:18 p.m.

Politza moved, Steele seconded, PASSED, to adjourn.

The meeting adjourned at 8:19 p.m.

Pamela Colestock, Mayor

Laura Boomer, City Clerk