

September 12, 2022
City Council Meeting

A regular meeting of the Eaton Rapids City Council was held at City Hall, 200 S. Main Street, on September 12, 2022, at 7:00 p.m.

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

Present were Mayor Colestock and Councilpersons Steele, Nicholas, Robison, and Politza.

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

The invocation was given by Pastor Katie Lance of Thrive Church.

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

Steele moved, Nicholas seconded, PASSED, to approve the August 22, 2022 Worksession Minutes .

Steele moved, Nicholas seconded, PASSED, to approve the August 22, 2022 Council Meeting Minutes.

Steele moved, Nicholas seconded, PASSED, to approve the disbursements totaling \$748,979.38.

Public Comments:

Paul Malewski, 350 S. Miller, commented against the chicken ordinance.

Katie Lance, Thrive Church Pastor, commented that the Church is hosting free meals by Sharing Grace every Wednesday from 6-7:30 p.m.

Unfinished/Special Business: None

Items of Business:

- a. Politza moved, Robison seconded, PASSED, to approve the agreement with Gavin Historical Bricks for the purchase of unused bricks for \$.20 per usable brick.
- b. Steele moved, Politza seconded, PASSED, to approve the use of ARPA funds for one time hazard payments to Police Chief and Police Lieutenant in the amount of \$5,000 each.
- c. Politza moved, Steele seconded, PASSED, to approve the use of ARPA funds to pay a one-time hazard pay bonus to firefighters based on the number of alarms each individual firefighter responded to from March 1, 2020 through February 28, 2021.
- d. Steele moved, Nicholas seconded, PASSED, approve the board appointments to the Parks and Recreation Sub-Committee as follows: Ford & Lorente (1 Year ending 12/31/22), McNutt & Norton (2 Year ending 12/31/23), Burluson, Emerson, & Harmon (3 Year ending 12/31/24) and alternate Ash (2 Year ending 12/31/23).
- e. Robison moved, Nicholas seconded, to adopt Ordinance 2022-06. An Ordinance to amend Section 5-4 of Chapter 5 Animals and Fowl, of the Codified Ordinances of City of Eaton Rapids. PASSED by roll call vote:
Yeas: Robison, Nicholas, Steele, Colestock
Nays: Politza
Absent: 0

- f. Steele moved, Nicholas seconded, to adopt Ordinance 2022-07. An Ordinance to Amend Section 15-16 of Article II of Chapter 15, Use, Purchase, or Possession of Tobacco Products by Minor; Selling, Giving, or Furnishing Tobacco Product to Minor; Misrepresentation of Age and Fraudulent Identification Prohibited, of the Codified Ordinances of City of Eaton Rapids. PASSED by roll call vote:
Yeas: Politza, Steele, Colestock, Nicholas, Robison
Nays: 0
Absent: 0
- g. Steele moved, Nicholas seconded, to adopt Ordinance 2022-08. An Ordinance to Amend Section 15-16A of Article II of Chapter 15, Use, Purchase, or Possession of Alternative Nicotine Products or Vapor Products by Minors; Selling, Giving, or Furnishing Alternative Nicotine Products or Vapor Products to Minors; Misrepresentation of Age and Fraudulent Identification Prohibited, of the Codified Ordinances of City of Eaton Rapids to Penalize Possession of Vapor Products. PASSED by roll call vote:
Yeas: Nicholas, Robison, Steele, Colestock, Politza,
Nays: 0
Absent: 0
- h. First Read of Ordinance 2022-09. An Ordinance to amend Chapter 16, Article II, Division I, Generally, Sections 16-19 and 16-20, and to amend Division 2, Quality of Life Board Sections 16-26 through 16-36 of the codified ordinances of the City of Eaton Rapids.
- i. First Read of Ordinance 2022-10. An Ordinance to Amend Chapter 22, Article II Water, Division 1, Generally, Section 22-53, and to Amend Article III Sewers, Division 1, Generally Section 22-67, of the Codified Ordinances of City of Eaton Rapids.
- j. Steele moved, Nicholas seconded, PASSED, to adopt Resolution 2022-12 to transfer jurisdiction over a portion of Spicerville Highway.
- k. Steel moved, Nicholas seconded, PASSED, to approve the agreement with Eaton County Road Commission for the transfer of a section of Spicerville Highway to the City to become a City Major Street.
- l. Steele moved, Nicholas seconded, PASSED, to adopt Resolution 2022-13 to approve the Contract for Auditing Services with Siegfried Crandall, P.C. for Fiscal Year 2022, 2023, and 2024.
- m. Steele moved, Nicholas seconded, PASSED, to adopt Resolution 2022-14 A Resolution to Appoint Michigan Public Power Commissioners.

Public Comments: None

Reports:

- a. Staff-
City Manager Ridge reported that the Hall St. construction project has begun and is on schedule. She met with a representative from LEAP to review available resources. She visited Downtown Businesses with DDA/Main Street Director Began and Chamber of Commerce of Commerce Representative. She also toured the City with Building Official Hummel and Fire Chief McNutt. She has been busy attending various board meetings. She reported that she has met with Dewpoint to

review IT services and Independent Bank. She recently met with local developers to discuss opportunities for development in the City. She met with Roy Davis and toured the dams. Ridge reported that the Chamber is planning to hire a part-time Director. She asked Council to send requests for agenda items to her. The council chamber camera installation has been delayed. She reported that she enjoys working with great staff.

b. Council-

Councilwoman Robison reported that she is pleased with City Manager Ridge and likes seeing stuff get done.

Councilman Steele commented that he loves to see full agendas and getting work done. He reported that the City looks good.

c. Mayor-

Mayor Colestock reported that the Congregational Church will be hosting breakfast on the 4th Saturday of the month. She congratulated the pickleball group for reaching their goal. She reported that she and the Charlotte Mayor have a \$100 wager on the varsity football game with the proceeds going to the winners Athletic Boosters. She reported that "UPS" Mike McGhan recently passed away and will be missed.

Steele moved, Nicholas seconded, PASSED, to adjourn.

The meeting adjourned at 7:43 p.m.

Pamela Colestock, Mayor

Laura Boomer, City Clerk