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Randy Jewell – *City Assessor*
Cullen Harkness – *City Attorney*

**CITY OF EATON RAPIDS
WORK SESSION AGENDA**

September 23, 2024
5:00 pm
200 S. Main Street

This meeting will be streamed live for viewing only at:

<https://us06web.zoom.us/j/85394331944>

Meeting ID: 853 9433 1944

Please note all public comments must be made in person.

Call to Order

Public Comments

Unfinished and Special Business

New Business

1. Wellhead Protection Plan Draft Presentation, Megan Fleig, Project Hydrogeologist, Peerless Midwest Inc.
2. Dewpoint Annual Contract Renewal Presentation, John Varilek, Customer Success Manager, Dewpoint
3. Technical, Professional and Office Workers Association of Michigan (TPOAM) Contract
4. Blue Care Network Medicare Advantage Plan Renewal
5. Drinking Water State Revolving Fund Draft Intended Use Plan Fiscal Year 2025
6. Board & Committee Reports

Closed Session to consider the purchase or lease of real property up to the time an option to purchase or lease that real property is obtained (MCL 15.268(d))

Public Comments

Adjourn



MEETING DATE: SEPTEMBER 23, 2024

CITY MANAGER

To: Mayor and City Council

Work Session

From: Yvonne Ridge, City Manager

Regular Meeting

Submitted: September 19, 2024

Subject: Wellhead Protection Plan Draft

SUMMARY

The purpose of Michigan's Wellhead Protection Program (WHPP) is to protect public water supply systems (PWSS), which use ground water, from potential sources of contamination. Protection is provided by identifying the area which contributes ground water to PWSS wells, identifying sources of contamination within the area, and developing methods to manage the area and minimize the threat to the PWSS.

Director Pierce is the primary contact for the WHPP project and has been instrumental in developing the updated plan, working closely with Peerless. The program operates on a voluntary basis by local governments and requires updates at least every six years to remain effective and relevant.

Peerless has a history of assisting with WHPP updates, having contributed in 2007 and 2015. In 2023, OHM Engineering Services through MI Water Navigator completed a basic update to the WHPP, a move made to be compliant and increasing the chances of securing points when applying for the Drinking Water State Revolving Fund (DWSRF).

By maintaining an up-to-date WHPPs, we ensure the continued protection and safety of our public water supplies, ultimately safeguarding the health and well-being of our residents.

STAFF RECOMMENDATION/MOTION

Discussion

LIST OF SUPPORTING DOCUMENTS

Wellhead Protection Plan Draft



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CITY MANAGER

To: Mayor and City Council

Work Session

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Regular Meeting

Submitted: September 19, 2024

Subject: Dewpoint Annual Contract Renewal

SUMMARY

Dewpoint has been delivering Information Technology services to the City since April 2020. Our Customer Success Manager, John Varilek, will be present at the meeting to discuss the Contract Renewal and address any questions Council members may have. John brings over 40 years of Information Technology experience and has worked with the city in development of the contract renewal.

STAFF RECOMMENDATION/MOTION

Adopt Resolution 2024-33 to approve the Dewpoint Annual Contract Renewal for the period beginning September 1, 2024, and ending on August 31, 2026.

LIST OF SUPPORTING DOCUMENTS

Dewpoint PowerPoint Presentation
Statement of Work for Managed Services
Resolution 2024-33



MEETING DATE: SEPTEMBER 23, 2024

CITY MANAGER

To: Mayor and City Council

Work Session

From: Yvonne Ridge, City Manager

Regular Meeting

Submitted: September 19, 2024

Subject: Technical, Professional and Officeworkers Association of Michigan (TPOAM)

SUMMARY

In January 2024, the Department of Public Works (DPW) voted to decertify the Union of Operating Engineers. In August, DPW employees chose to contract with TPOAM. The current contract mirrors the one negotiated in January 2024 when the workers initially decided to decertify and seek a new union.

I have provided two versions of the contract for your review: a redlined version highlighting the changes, and a clean copy of the new contract. Both TPOAM and DPW have been cooperative throughout this process. Since the City has already honored the previously negotiated pay increases and benefits, the transition to TPOAM will be seamless.

STAFF RECOMMENDATION/MOTION

Adopt Resolution 2024-34 to approve the Technical, Professional and Officeworkers Association of Michigan (TPOAM) contract for the period beginning September 1, 2024, and ending December 31, 2026.

LIST OF SUPPORTING DOCUMENTS

TPOAM Redlined Contract
TPOAM Contract
Resolution 2024-34



MEETING DATE: SEPTEMBER 23, 2024

CITY MANAGER

To: Mayor and City Council Work Session
From: Yvonne Ridge, City Manager Regular Meeting
Submitted: September 19, 2024
Subject: Blue Care Network Medicare Advantage Plan Renewal

SUMMARY

The City received the Blue Care Network (BCN) Medicare Advantage Plan including Part D prescription drug coverage (MAPD) renewal. All carriers are seeing higher than normal renewals do the below changes.

- The inflation Reduction Act (IRA) which goes into effect January 1, 2025, lowers the Part D Out-of-Pocket maximum to \$2,000 and shifting more financial liability onto carriers.
- In addition, Blue Care Network is experiencing low Centers for Medicare Services (CMS) funding, with 2025 being the second consecutive year of negative funding which causes the inability to offset healthcare trend, in combination with high post-pandemic trend in both medical and pharmacy spaces.

The rate increase for the City BCN MAPD current plan is 32.79%. We requested alternate plans to consider for the 2025 plan year to provide a better option to our retirees. The Benefit Comparison is provided for your review.

Brown and Brown's recommendation is to change coverage to the BCNA MAPD, Option 1 Plan. This plan keeps cost stable and has minimal changes to the plan. Treasurer/Finance Director, Genny Allen and I reviewed the options with Brandon Weslock, Employee Benefits Operations Manager with Brown and Brown and agree we should move forward with the change to BCNA MAPD, Option 1 Plan. All retirees affected by the change will be send notification in October. At this time, we have one retiree enrolled in this plan.

STAFF RECOMMENDATION/MOTION

Information and Discussion

LIST OF SUPPORTING DOCUMENTS

Brown & Brown BCN MAPD Benefit Comparison



MEETING DATE: SEPTEMBER 23, 2024

CITY MANAGER

To: Mayor and City Council Work Session

From: Yvonne Ridge, City Manager Regular Meeting

Submitted: September 19, 2024

Subject: Drinking Water State Revolving Fund (DWSRF) Draft Intended Use Plan Fiscal Year 2025

SUMMARY

The City has received partial funding for its drinking water infrastructure project. Our team is collaborating with EGLE, C2AE Engineering, and our Bonding Agent to secure additional funds needed to complete the project fully. I wanted to share the great news, however, this process will take several months, so please expect several updates as we progress.

STAFF RECOMMENDATION/MOTION

Information and Discussion

LIST OF SUPPORTING DOCUMENTS

DWSRF Draft Intended Use Plan Fiscal Year 2025