

**CITY OF SWARTZ CREEK
SWARTZ CREEK, MICHIGAN
MINUTES OF THE REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING
DATE 04/10/2023**

The meeting was called to order at 7:01 p.m. by Mayor Krueger in the Swartz Creek City Council Chambers, 8083 Civic Drive.

Invocation and Pledge of Allegiance.

Councilmembers Present: Cramer, Spillane, Gilbert, Hicks, Krueger, Henry.

Councilmembers Absent: Knickerbocker.

Staff Present: City Manager Adam Zettel, Clerk Connie Olger, City Attorney Chris Stritmatter, Economic & Community Development Director Samantha Fountain.

Others Present: Marianne McLanahan, Judy Russell, Jim Barclay, Metro PD Chief Bade.

Others Virtually Attended: Lania Rocha.

EXCUSE COUNCILMEMBER KNICKERBOCKER

Resolution No. 230410-01

(Carried)

Motion by Councilmember Cramer
Second by Councilmember Gilbert

I Move the Swartz Creek City Council excuse Councilmember Knickerbocker.

YES: Unanimous Voice Vote.
NO: None. Motion declared carried.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Resolution No. 230410-02

(Carried)

Motion by Councilmember Spillane
Second by Councilmember Gilbert

I Move the Swartz Creek City Council approve the Minutes of the Regular Council Meeting held Monday March 27, 2023, to be circulated and placed on file.

YES: Gilbert, Hicks, Krueger, Henry, Cramer, Spillane.

NO: None. Motion Declared Carried.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Resolution No. 230410-03

(Carried)

Motion by Councilmember Henry
Second by Councilmember Gilbert

I Move the Swartz Creek City Council approve the Agenda as printed for the Regular Council Meeting of April 10, 2023, to be circulated and placed on file.

YES: Hicks, Krueger, Henry, Cramer, Spillane, Gilbert.
NO: None. Motion Declared Carried.

CITY MANAGER'S REPORT

Resolution No. 230410-04

(Carried)

Motion by Councilmember Cramer
Second by Councilmember Gilbert

I Move the Swartz Creek City Council accept the City Manager's Report of April 10, 2023, including reports and communications to be circulated and placed on file.

Discussion Ensued.

YES: Krueger, Henry, Cramer, Spillane, Gilbert, Hicks.
NO: None. Motion Declared Carried.

MEETING OPENED TO THE PUBLIC:

Judy Russell 5122 McLain Street, spoke of her concerns of the speeding in the city , especially Ingalls, McLain & Fairchild. While on her routine walk with her dog, her dog was almost hit due to someone running a stop sign. She would like to see if something could be done before someone gets hurt. She also commented that she had fallen on a sidewalk downtown due to snow/ice. Mayor Krueger responded that there is a city ordinance in place for snow/ice removal. Mr. Zettel asked that she take his card and contact him if she has any future issues.

Marrienne McLanahan 5070 McLain Street, wanted to know when additional speed limit signs would be added to Ingalls to help slow down traffic.

COUNCIL BUSINESS:

RESOLUTION TO BID RECEIVED BY THE GENESEE COUNTY ROAD COMMISSION FOR COOPERATIVE BRIDGE MAINTENANCE WORK

Resolution No. 230410-05

(Carried)

Motion by Mayor Pro Tem Hicks
Second by Councilmember Henry

WHEREAS, the City of Swartz Creek owns, operates, and maintains a system of major streets, including two bridges; and

WHEREAS, Rowe Professional Services Company inspected the Elms Road bridge and determined that an epoxy overlay of the deck and other work needed to be completed; and

WHEREAS, the Genesee County Road Commission is engaging in such work at a large scale, and the city finds it to be in the best interest of the public to cooperate in the cooperative bid as offered by the GCDC; and

WHEREAS, the City of Swartz Creek approved a Local Road Agreement with Genesee County Road Commission for the Elms Road Bridge, as included in the March 14, 2022 city council packet; and

WHEREAS, the bids received for such work are in and are about 30% higher than expected, resulting in the need for the City to affirm participation in the agreement; and

WHEREAS, the City of Swartz Creek finds that the services are still competitive, valuable and affordable.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED the City of Swartz Creek approves participation in the bridge maintenance services at the new price of \$32,399.35, plus engineer and related expenses, as included in the April 10, 2023 city council packet.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the City Council directs the City Manager to execute the project agreement bid obligation form as included in the April 10, 2023 city council packet.

Discussion Ensued.

YES: Henry, Cramer, Spillane, Gilbert, Hicks, Krueger.
NO: None. Motion Declared Carried.

RESOLUTION TO APPROVE DONATION OF A LITTLE LIBRARY AT HOLLAND SQUARE

Resolution No. 230410-06

(Carried)

Motion by Councilmember Gilbert
Second by Mayor Pro Tem Hicks

WHEREAS, the city owns, operates, and maintains a system of parks, recreation facilities, and other public spaces; and

WHEREAS, the city constructed Holland Square as a multi-purpose public space in downtown that provides parking, as well as a base of operations for special events; and

WHEREAS, Holland Square is considered a visible and accessible space for the public; and

WHEREAS, the GFWC Swartz Creek Women's Club desires to donate a little library to the community and believes that the landscape island in the north east corner of Holland Square is a safe, visible, and appropriate space for such a feature; and

WHEREAS, the city park board, at their regular meeting on March 21, 2023, deliberated the opportunity and recommends approval of a Little Library for either the Michael R. Shumaker Bicentennial Park or Holland Square.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, the City of Swartz Creek City Council hereby authorizes acceptance and installation of the Little Library as well as any contributions from the public towards the same.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the City of Swartz Creek City Council authorizes and directs the DPW to assist with the installation of the Little Library.

Discussion Ensued.

YES: Henry, Cramer, Spillane, Gilbert, Hicks, Krueger.
NO: None. Motion Declared Carried.

MEETING OPENED TO THE PUBLIC:

None.

RESOLUTION TO ENTER CLOSED SESSION TO CONSIDER PROPERTY TRANSACTION (ROLL CALL VOTE)

Resolution No. 230410-07

(Carried)

Motion by Councilmember Spillane
Second by Councilmember Gilbert

WHEREAS, the City of Swartz Creek has potential business concerning the transaction or lease of real property, and;

WHEREAS, the MCL 15.268(d) permits a governing body to enter a closed session to consider the purchase or lease of real property up to the time an option to purchase or lease that property is obtained.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED the City of Swartz Creek City Council exit the regular session of the city council and enter into a closed session for the purpose of discussion related to the consideration of the purchase or lease of real property.

YES: Cramer, Spillane, Gilbert, Hicks, Krueger, Henry.
NO: None. Motion Declared Carried.

Reconvened Open Session at 9:01 p.m.

RESOLUTION TO HAVE ATTORNEY RECEIVE AN OFFER

Resolution No. 230410-09

(Carried)

Motion by Councilmember Cramer
Second by Councilmember Henry

I Move the Swartz Creek City Council to have attorney receive an offer from the seller.

YES: Gilbert, Hicks, Krueger, Henry, Cramer, Spillane.
NO: None. Motion Declared Carried.

REMARKS BY COUNCILMEMBERS:

Councilmember Cramer is looking forward to the Chief's cooking event. The Masonic Temple will be honoring Boots Abrams next year for a guest reward.

Councilmember Gilbert commented that the Masonic Temple will be having a Mother's Day Breakfast.

Mayor Pro Tem Hicks is concerned about the speeding on the back roads. She would like to look at different options to slow down vehicles. We need a plan.

Councilmember Spillane likes the idea of the signage or road decaling to help with the speeding on Ingalls.

Mayor encouraged everyone to get outside and enjoy the sunshine and warm weather.

Councilmember Gilbert commented that with the warm weather the motorcycles are out.

ADJOURNMENT

Resolution No. 230410-10

(Carried)

Motion by Councilmember Gilbert

Second by Councilmember Henry

I Move the Swartz Creek City Council adjourn the regular meeting at 9:13 p.m.

Unanimous Voice Vote.

David A. Krueger, Mayor

Connie Olger, City Clerk