

**CITY OF SWARTZ CREEK
SWARTZ CREEK, MICHIGAN
MINUTES OF THE REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING
DATE 09/11/2023**

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 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, Knickerbocker, Henry.

Councilmembers Absent: None.

Staff Present: City Manager Adam Zettel, Clerk Connie Olger.

Others Present: Rick Henry, Amy L. Nichols, Metro PD Chief Bade, Betty Binder, Tom Spillane, Marcia Pavkovich.

Others Virtually Attended: Lania Rocha

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Resolution No. 230911-01

(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 August 28, 2023, to be circulated and placed on file.

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

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Resolution No. 230911-02

(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 September 11, 2023, to be circulated and placed on file.

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

CITY MANAGER'S REPORT

Resolution No. 230911-03

(Carried)

Motion by Councilmember Cramer
Second by Councilmember Gilbert

I Move the Swartz Creek City Council accept the City Manager's Report of September 11, 2023, including reports and communications to be circulated and placed on file.

Discussion Ensued.

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

MEETING OPENED TO THE PUBLIC:

None.

COUNCIL BUSINESS:

MILLER'S SETTLEMENT CITIZEN OF THE YEAR

PROCLAMATION

Mayor Krueger presented Rick Henry with the 2022 award. Rick was born in January 10th, 1950 to Willis and Carletta. He probably did not know it at the time, but he was born into one of the most influential, dedicated, and abundant families in the Swartz Creek area, with fourteen siblings to his household alone! With that being said, he is still very distinguished in his accomplishments.

Rick has lived in and around Swartz Creek for his entire life, including Mundy Township, Gaines Township, and Swartz Creek. He graduated in 1969 from Swartz Creek and hired into General Motors. He currently resides on Bristol Road, in a home that is well-kept and easy to distinguish because of the Coke collectibles and Gas Globes that Rick has acquired over the years.

He was married to Joan in November of 1970, a relationship that continues to this day, nearly fifty-three years on. From that marriage, they have raised Sarah, and Ben. The kids have moved on, but not so far. Sarah and her family have planted roots and built a new home of their own right next door to Rick and Joan, a sure sign of the quality of life that Rick has cultivated as a family man.

Beyond the family ties, which, again, are very extensive, Rick is a fixture in the community schools and parks. Rick is a large reason why Elms Park is as successful as it is today. He was instrumental in the building of the Elms Park Playscape, which is one of the most expensive, well-used, and popular features of the entire park system. This undertaking required massive amounts of volunteer time, donations, and planning.

One of Rick's most valuable contributions to the community was his work with the Swartz Creek Veterans' Memorial.

Currently, Rick is still involved with Morrish Elementary, working in the playground, cafeteria, and classrooms.

Break for photo op from 7:21-7:29pm.

RESOLUTION TO APPROVE THE FISCAL YEAR 2023 BUDGET FOR THE FIRE DEPARTMENT

Chief Plumb reviewed the fire budget.

Resolution No. 230911-04

(Carried)

Motion by Mayor Pro Tem Hicks
Second by Councilmember Cramer

WHEREAS, the agreement for fire service between Clayton Township and Swartz Creek City indicates a specific process for budgetary review and approval by the municipalities; and,

WHEREAS, the staff of Clayton Township and the Swartz Creek City have found the proposed budget to be acceptable by both parties; and,

WHEREAS, the Swartz Creek Fire Board affirmed the proposed budget at their regular meeting on August 21, 2023

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT the City of Swartz Creek approve the Fiscal Year 2024 Swartz Creek Area Fire Board Budget, a copy of which is attached hereto, gross maximum total not to exceed \$399,031.50, to be paid commensurate of the agreement between the City of Swartz Creek and the Township of Clayton, payment being the City's obligation of one-half of the proposed total budget.

Discussion Ensued.

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

Discussion ensued regarding future equipment needs and purchases.

RESOLUTION TO APPROVE COOPERATIVE PRICING AND ESTIMATE OF SERVICES FOR ROAD STRIPING SERVICES

Resolution No. 230911-05

(Carried)

Motion by Councilmember Gilbert
Second by Councilmember Henry

WHEREAS, the city finds it necessary to properly and adequately mark its streets with paint for lane delineation and related purposes; and

WHEREAS, this process requires various pavement markings and decals to be applied to the city streets to complete this process; and

WHEREAS, the City's Purchasing Ordinance, Chapter 2, Article VI, Section 2-406 provides for and encourages cooperative government purchasing practices; and

WHEREAS, the Genesee County Road Commission has accepted pricing from M & M Pavement Marking, Inc. for the purchase of linear pavement markings to public rights of way; and

WHEREAS, the Livingston County Road Commission has accepted pricing from M & M Pavement Marking, Inc. for the purchase of symbol markings to public rights of way; and

WHEREAS, the unit costs bid to the two counties have been made available to the City and the city council finds that the lineal foot costs and symbol costs listed cannot be matched if attempts were made to bid on the open market or through private sources.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, the City of Swartz Creek City Council accept the Genesee County Road Commission's cooperative purchasing extension for the purchase of linear pavement marking services and the Livingston County prices for symbols from M&M Pavement Marking, Inc., as in the September 11, 2023 city council packet, expenses to be distributed to the Local and Major Street funds proportionate to use at the direction of the City's Finance Director.

Discussion Ensued.

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

RESOLUTION TO OPT-IN TO THE GENESEE COUNTY FIVE YEAR PARKS, RECREATION, OPEN SPACE AND GREENWAYS PLAN

Resolution No. 230911-06

(Carried)

Motion by Councilmember Knickerbocker
Second by Councilmember Cramer

WHEREAS, the City of Swartz Creek continues to seek collaboration in providing recreation resources and meeting future needs for recreation lands, facilities, and services; and

WHEREAS, the City of Swartz Creek will continue to operate under the approved City of Swartz Creek Parks and Recreation Plan of 2023; and

WHEREAS, the Genesee County Parks and Recreation Commission has offered to include recreation action plan items for the City of Swartz Creek in its Five-Year Parks, Recreation, Open Space and Greenways Plan to allow for any future opportunities and cooperation.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the City of Swartz Creek City Council authorizes inclusion of the City of Swartz Creek Park Plan in the Genesee County Parks and Recreation Commission Parks, Recreation, Open Space and Greenway Plan, for submittal to the State of Michigan.

Discussion Ensued.

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

RESOLUTION TO APPROVE COMMISSION APPOINTMENT

Resolution No. 230911-07

(Carried)

Motion by Councilmember Henry
Second by Councilmember Cramer

WHEREAS, the laws of the State of Michigan, the Charter and Ordinances of the City of Swartz Creek, interlocal agreements in which the City of Swartz Creek is a member, and previous resolutions of the City Council require and set terms of officers for various appointments to City boards and commissions, as well as appointments to non-city boards and commissions seeking representation by City officials; and

WHEREAS, there exists a vacancy in such a position; and

WHEREAS, said appointment is a Mayoral appointment, subject to affirmation of the City Council.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, the Swartz Creek City Council concur with the Mayor and City Council appointment as follows:

#230911-07 MAYOR APPOINTMENT: Tamara Parenteau
Downtown Development Authority – Property Interest
Remainder of Four year term, expiring November 17, 2025

Discussion Ensued.

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

MEETING OPENED TO THE PUBLIC:

Chief Plumb appreciated the council approving the budget and commented on the good dialog.

REMARKS BY COUNCILMEMBERS:

Mayor Pro Tem Hicks thanked the Chief and welcomed Renee Kraft and Amy Nichols. Councilmember Cramer is waiting for a date for the tour of the recycling center, GFL. He invited everyone to attend a fundraiser for Steve Long on September 17 at 2:00pm at Jan's Bar. Commented on consolidating the fire departments.

ADJOURNMENT

Resolution No. 230911-08

(Carried)

Motion by Councilmember Gilbert

Second by Councilmember Henry

I Move the Swartz Creek City Council adjourn the regular meeting at 9:07 p.m.

Unanimous Voice Vote.

David A. Krueger, Mayor

Connie Olger, City Clerk