

A regular meeting of the City Council was held at City Hall, 200 S. Main Street on Monday, November 24, 2008, at 7:00 p.m.

Mayor Pro Tem Greenhoe called the meeting to order.

Present were Mayor Pro Tem Greenhoe and Councilpersons Brown, Letarte and Harri. Mayor Davidson was absent and excused.

The invocation was given by Pastor Dallas McFarland of the Nazarene church.

The Agenda was approved as printed.

The minutes from the November 10, 2008, Regular Meeting and the November 17, 2008 Worksession Meeting were approved as printed.

Councilwoman Brown moved that disbursements of \$3,479,277.74 be approved; seconded by Councilman Harri, passed unanimously.

Todd Colthorp, from the Horner Mills Association, gave Council a presentation on what is being planned in the future for the Horner Mills Complex, and asked that Council release the City from the purchase agreement that is due to expire.

Councilwoman Brown moved Council approve the Mayor's recommendation to reappoint City Clerk Kristy Reinecke to the EATRAN Board of Directors for a two year term which will expire on December 31, 2010; seconded by Councilman Harri, passed unanimously.

Mayor Pro Tem Greenhoe Opened the meeting for a Public Hearing on changing property Tax Code 23-300-003-300-718-00, property commonly known as 402 Haven Street, Eaton Rapids, to IFT Tax Exempt for VWG, LLC d.b.a. White and Green Motors. The Public Hearing Opened at 7:35 p.m.

City Manager LeFevere explained that White and Green Motors had recently purchased a portion of the company from VonWeise, who the City had earlier granted an IFT Certificate to, but had gone out of business. City Manager LeFevere stated that White and Green Motors was a Company that made parts for snow blowers and lawn mowers. City Manager LeFevere stated that equipment would be moving from another facility to this location, and that with this IFT Certificate, this Company would be creating 87 jobs in Eaton Rapids. City Manager LeFevere stated that the Exemption was for \$996,710.00.

There were no further Public Comments. Mayor Pro Tem Greenhoe Closed the Public Hearing at 7:41 p.m.

Mayor Pro Tem Greenhoe Opened the meeting for a Public Hearing on changing property Tax Code 23-300-003-300-605-06, property commonly known as 450 Marilyn

City Manager LeFevere explained that this was for another piece of property that White and Green Motors had purchased from VonWeise, and that it was for the same purposes as the previous Public Hearing. City Manager LeFevere stated that the Exemption for this location was for \$1,072,109.00.

There were no further Public Comments. Mayor Pro Tem Greenhoe Closed the Public Hearing at 7:48 p.m.

Councilman Letarte moved Council approve the Resolution approving the Application for Industrial Facilities Exemption Certificate for VWG, LLC d.b.a. White and Green Motors, facilities in the Eaton Rapids Industrial Development District, for property commonly known as 402 Haven Street, Property Tax Codes 23-300-003-300-718-00, and 23-300-003-300-730-00, Eaton Rapids, Eaton County, for a 12 year tax abatement; seconded by Councilwoman Brown, passed unanimously.

Councilwoman Brown moved Council approve the Resolution approving the Application of Industrial Facilities Exemption Certificate for VWG, LLC d.b.a. White and Green Motors, facilities in the Eaton Rapids Industrial Development District, for property commonly known as 450 Marilyn Street, Property Tax Code 23-300-003-300-605-06, Eaton Rapids, Eaton County, for a 12 year tax abatement; seconded by Councilman Letarte, passed unanimously.

Councilwoman Brown moved Council approve the Electric Power Purchase Agreement between Commonwealth Power Company and the City of Eaton Rapids; seconded by Councilman Letarte. City Manager LeFevere explained that this was for the two hydro facilities in Eaton Rapids, one at Smithville Dam and the other at the Mix Plant. City Manager LeFevere stated that this Agreement would help with the City's Renewable Energy Credits, and that the cost would be .075 cents per kWh. Councilman Letarte asked if there were any plans to upgrade the facilities. City Manager LeFevere stated that this was being talked about. Councilman Harri asked what percentage this Agreement made for the City's electrical. City Manager LeFevere stated that this was a 3% portion of the total electrical. The motion passed unanimously.

Councilman Letarte moved Council approve the proposal for professional services from Sidock Group, Inc., for the Electrical Primary Distribution System, Isolation and Emergency Generation for the loop around parts of Dowding Industries and Precision Prototype in the South Industrial Park, for an amount of \$8,500.00; seconded by Councilman Harri, passed unanimously.

Councilman Harri moved Council approve the proposal for professional services from GRP Engineering, Inc., for the engineering cost for the Automatic Transformer Scheme

for Magnesium Products of America in the Island City Industrial Park, for an amount of \$13,500.00; seconded by Councilwoman Brown, passed unanimously.

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Councilman Letarte moved Council approve the Resolution for the Excessive Strength Sewage Surcharges Rates which would go into effect on January 1, 2009; seconded by Councilwoman Brown, passed unanimously.

Councilwoman Brown reported on the following: thanked the people of Eaton Rapids for their support and what a privilege it was to represent Precinct 2; thanked all the students for coming and participating in the meeting; that our prayers go out to our servicemen and women during this time; and wished everyone a Happy Thanksgiving.

Councilman Letarte reported on the following: Nice to see the students at the meeting; had attended Meet the Team Night, and it should be a good season for all Sports; and wished everyone a Happy Thanksgiving.

Councilman Harri reported on the following: Wished everyone a Happy Thanksgiving.

City Manager LeFevere reported on the following: Wished everyone a Happy Thanksgiving.

City Assessor Baker reported on the following: Wished everyone a Happy Thanksgiving.

Police Chief Malewski reported on the following: That the Department had given a Lock-down presentation for St. Peters School as well as Greyhound Central; that on November 19th he had prepared a Chili Luncheon at the Charlotte Senior Center to benefit the Siren Shelter; on December 6th from 10-2 at Family Fare will be Fill-A-Cop-Car to help benefit Hearts and Hands; the CERT Team was working on a Grant with the assistance of the Fire Department; and that Chief McNutt was absent at the meeting as the Fire Department was having equipment problems.

Mayor Pro Tem Greenhoe reported on the following: On behalf of the Mayor and himself wished everyone a Happy Thanksgiving.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:15 p.m.

Roger A. Greenhoe, Mayor Pro Tem

Kristy Reinecke, City Clerk