

City of Bronson  
Regular Council Meeting  
December 9, 2019

Mayor McConn called the meeting to order at 5:00 p.m.

Roll Call: Present: McConn, Watkins, Earl, Johannes

Absent: Kenny

Councilman Earl moved to regretfully accept the resignation of Vice-Mayor Kenny. Seconded by Councilman Watkins. Motion carried. Councilman Watkins moved to appoint resident Joe Duke to fill out Vice-Mayor Kenny's term. Seconded by Councilman Johannes. Motion carried.

Presentations – Check Presentation – Consumer's Energy Grant for Farmer's Market Pavilion – Mr. Greg Moore of Consumer's Energy told Council when Consumer's Energy closed their facility in Bronson they felt like they wanted to give back to the City recognizing and thanking the City for being good neighbors for the many years Consumer's were located in the City. After considering some projects they decided to donate funds for building a pavilion for the City's farmers market. Mr. Moore and Carolyn Bloodworth, from Consumer's Energy Foundation, presented City Council with a check for \$35,000.00 to build a pavilion on the newly acquired property behind City Hall for a farmer's market. Council thanked Mr. Moore and Ms. Bloodworth for the generous donation toward the project.

FY 2019 Audit – Mr. Jeff Berry, CPA of Gabridge & Company – Mr. Berry presented the FY 2019 audit to City Council. He said the City received a clean opinion, the best opinion the City could receive. He reviewed the various funds and said the City was in a good financial position. He said the City's pension fund currently meeting the State's guidelines for being funded but that was something to always monitor. He thanked City staff, especially Clerk/Treasurer Smith, for their help during the audit. Council thanked him for the presentation.

Public Comments –None

Consent Agenda – Councilman Earl moved to approve the consent agenda including payment of invoices totaling \$68,613.90. Seconded by Councilman Watkins. Motion carried.

New Business – Police Ammo Purchase – Councilman Johannes moved to approve the purchase of police ammo from Michigan Police Equipment for \$3,164.25. Seconded by Councilman Watkins. Motion carried.

Staff Comments – Utilities Supervisor Buckley announced this would be the last week for leaf pickup with the leaf machine.

City Manager Comments - Manager Mersman told Council the annual Christmas luncheon for staff and Council would be December 20<sup>th</sup> at noon at Greenwald Park.

Council Comments – Council wished everyone Happy Holidays. Councilman Watkins thanked the DPW crew for their efforts decorating the downtown. He said everything looked very nice. He also said he was proud and happy to be on City Council and very proud of the Bronson community. Councilman Johannes echoed Councilman Watkin's comments. He said no one really understands what goes on behind the scenes to make a City run and he was very proud to be part of the City. Mayor McConn thanked the City team for everything they accomplish each week. He also thanked Councilman Kenny for his years of service on City Council and said he regretted his departure.

Adjourn – Councilman Earl moved to adjourn the meeting. Seconded by Councilman Watkins. Motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,

Karen A. Smith, Clerk/Treasurer