

**City of Ecorse  
Receivership Transition Advisory Board Special Meeting  
November 28, 2017**

**Meeting Minutes**

Ecorse City Hall  
Council Chambers  
Albert B. Buday Civic Center  
3869 West Jefferson  
Ecorse, MI 48229

**Members Present:** Rob Bovitz, Joan Brophy

**Others Present:** Eric Cline (Department of Treasury), David Flaten (Interim City Administrator), Dana Hughes (City Clerk), Mike Moore (Public Safety Director), Richard Marsh

**Call To Order** – The Meeting was called to order at 9:32 a.m. by Rob Bovitz.

**Roll Call** – Eric Cline called the roll. A quorum was present. It was noted that Jeff Sykes was excused from this meeting.

**Approval of Agenda** – The agenda was approved, as presented.

**Motion by Brophy to approve the agenda, as presented. Second by Bovitz. Motion passed by voice vote.**

**Old Business** – No Old Business was addressed.

**New Business** – Consideration was given to Resolution #689.17, City Administrator Contract with Richard J. Marsh.

At the request of the RTAB, Mr. Marsh provided a few comments. Mr. Marsh stated that it was good to return to Michigan where he has past city management experience. Mr. Marsh stated that he is looking forward to helping the City of Ecorse and looks forward to working with the State of Michigan. Mr. Bovitz asked if a decision has been made on the hiring of a Controller. Mr. Marsh stated that the Controller position is a crucial position for the City and will be a high priority for him. Mr. Bovitz stated that the RTAB is concerned about this because of the ongoing audit process and the overall financial stability of the City.

**Motion by Brophy to approve Resolution #689.17. Second by Bovitz. Motion passed by voice vote.**

David Flaten addressed the RTAB regarding a potential legal settlement. Mr. Flaten stated that he had just received information on this issue that could allow the City to resolve ongoing litigation. Eric Cline stated that he has not received anything from the City on this issue and is not aware of

the City Council taking action on it. Mr. Flaten noted that the City Attorney is out due to illness and is not expected to return for at least one month. Mr. Bovitz stated that the RTAB cannot address it today, as this is a special meeting. Mr. Flaten stated that he wants to ensure coordination with the RTAB on this issue prior to the December meeting. Eric Cline stated that he will be in communication with the City on this issue. Mr. Flaten stated that he will also continue to assist the City, in a consulting role, with this issue and in the filling of the Controller position.

**Public Comment** – No public comment was received.

**Board Comment** – Joan Brophy welcomed Mr. Marsh to the City of Ecorse.

**Adjournment** – The meeting was adjourned at 9:51 a.m.

**Motion by Brophy to adjourn the meeting. Second by Bovitz. Motion passed by voice vote.**

Respectfully Submitted:

R. Eric Cline, Manager  
RTAB Staff Liaison  
MI Department of Treasury