

Minutes of Regular Council

January 5, at 7:00 p.m.

The meeting was called to order by Mayor Haver.

The Pledge of Allegiance was repeated by all present. Present were: Mayor, Larry Haver; Council members, Amy Haver, Mick Pocratsky, Bruce Hart, Ron Beverly, Ron Jones and Ed Foster; Solicitor, Troy Essex; Administrator, Kent Miller; and Clerk/Treasurer, Diane Collins.

Jones nominated Pocratsky as council president. Haver seconded. Beverly moved to close the nominations. Foster seconded. Beverly, Haver, Foster, Jones & Hart voted yes. Pocratsky abstained.

Foster moved to approve the December 15 minutes. Hart seconded. Beverly, Foster, Hart & Pocratsky voted yes. Jones abstained.

Pocratsky moved to pay the bills. Jones seconded. All voted yes.

Planning Commission and Zoning Board of Appeals: Schooley gave council a yearly building permit report.

Ordinance Committee: Hart reported the committee did not meet prior to this meeting as scheduled. Another meeting will be set up.

Police/Fire/EMS: Foster gave a mutual aid list to the solicitor to request mutual aid. For the record it was noted that Wendy Goeltzenleuchter has served her probationary period already since she has served in the full time position since July. Foster moved to approve. Beverly seconded. All voted yes.

HIXTV: Foster reported the next meeting will be Saturday, January 10 at 8 a.m. Nate Ferrell, Dusty Harris and Jim Siler are going off the board. Foster is looking for replacements. He plans to have the results of the survey for the next council meeting. Mediacom has been contacted to get the fiberoptics ran to the new school.

Water/Sewer/Refuse/Street Committee: An Annual Sewage Sludge Report was passed out. Pocratsky scheduled a meeting for January 19th at 6:30 p.m. Foster passed two binders to Pocratsky that he received at an Ohio RCAP meeting. They relate to financial management and utility management. Foster recommended Pocratsky read them.

Safe Routes to School: The project should be awarded around March. Beverly will contact Dr. Miller & residents of East High Street to get them on board.

Administrator's Report: Kent Miller reported the following:

- There will be a general pickup this week
- Brush chipping is taking place now.

Miscellaneous:

Resolution 2009-01 approving the Solid Waste Management Plan was read by caption only for the first reading.

Essex added a penalty to the Confidentiality Agreement. Foster moved to approve. Pocratsky seconded. All voted yes.

Essex was given information regarding EMT mutual aid in Indiana. Essex said he will call someone about a waiver the State of Indiana uses to allow Ohio EMTs to perform in Indiana.

It was noted Clemens Nelson & Associates have not been paid.

Clerk's Report: The MTD/YTD Cash report and Income Tax reports were passed out. Taxes are up 5% compared to last year. Annual Utility and EMS collection reports were passed out.

Police Report: No report was given.

Fire Department: Chief Miller passed out the monthly report.

EMS Department: Chief Wendy Goeltzenleucter did not have a report.

Mayor's Report: Mayor Haver passed out the new committees for 2009. He recommended Wendy Edwards, EMT-I to the EMS with a six month probationary period. Foster moved to approve. Jones seconded. All voted yes. This makes 12.

The December Court Report and the Summary for the Year 2008 were passed out.

Beverly wanted the public to know that three council seats are opening up and anyone interested in running should contact the Board of Elections or a council person.

Foster moved to go into executive session to discuss personnel issues. Beverly seconded. All voted yes. (7:22 – 7:45 p.m.) Returned to regular session. Hart moved to return to regular session. Beverly seconded. All voted yes.

MVPO has received an application for Housing Rehabilitation emergency funds to replace a furnace and duct work in a resident's home. The lowest bid is \$4200. Jones moved to approve the expense provided it is put in the contract that the debt will be forgiven over a five year period and if the home is sold sooner the balance due will be returned. Pocratsky seconded. Beverly, Hart, Pocratsky, Jones & Foster voted yes. Haver voted no.

A motion was made and seconded to adjourn.

MAYOR

CLERK