

Minutes of Regular Council Meeting

January 16, 2012 at 7:00 p.m.

The meeting was called to order by Mayor Larry Haver.

The Pledge of Allegiance was repeated by all present.

Present were:, Council members, Mark Haver, Ron Jones, Mick Pocratsky, and Ron Beverly; Clerk/Treasurer, Diane Collins; and Administrator, Kent Miller. Absent were: Solicitor, Troy Essex; Council members, Mike Headley & Mike Barth. There were 10 visitors present.

Jones moved to approve the January 3 minutes. Pocratsky seconded. All voted yes.

Pocratsky moved to approve the bills list. Jones seconded. All voted yes.

Planning Commission: A public hearing was held January 5, 2012 at 4 p.m. to consider a request for lot splits on East Smith Street by the Hicksville Schools. Minutes approving the lot splits were in the packets.

Water/Sewer/Refuse: Pocratsky reported the committee met on January 9 to tweak the ordinance to punish those residents that do not voluntarily remove sump pumps and down spouts from the village sewers. Other matters were discussed also but need to be continued.

Sidewalk Committee: Beverly reported the committee met a couple Saturdays ago and discussed grants to do a sidewalk project.

Personnel Committee: Jones reported the committee met and reviewed applications for the building inspector position.

Administrator's Report: Miller reported the following:

- The second half of general pick-up generated 19 tons of trash.
- Weather permitting, Miller will be out of the office on the following dates:
 - January 17 in Archbold for Black Swamp Safety Council,
 - January 19 in Toledo for an all day Census Bureau meeting related to yearly zoning and boundary reporting.
- A trailer mounted four inch trash pump has been ordered through State Purchasing. In addition to being used in flooded areas, it can be used in lift station and plant applications.
- Miller is planning to be out of the office January 23-27.

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Miscellaneous:

Ordinance 2011-13 increasing the bond required prior to curb excavation and road excavation for sewer work was read by caption only for the third reading. Beverly moved to approve. Jones seconded. All voted yes.

Ordinance 2012-01 to pay the Green family for an easement was read by caption only for the first reading.

Police/Fire: No reports.

EMS: Doug Miller reported that late February/early March there will be a Basic EMT course taught in Hicksville. Currently there are four persons interested.

Clerk's Report: Collins did not have a report.

Mayor's Report: Mayor Haver recommended Mike Bailey for the zoning inspector's position effective February 1 pending a good physical and drug screen. Pay will be \$10 per hour and there will be a probationary period. Jones moved to approve the Mayor's recommendation. Pocratsky seconded. All voted yes.

Ed Foster, speaking on behalf of the water advisory committee, recommended that any time a building permit is required the

plans should be reviewed to see that it isn't going to create a problem. Pocratsky said that will be discussed at the next committee meeting.

Pocratsky moved to adjourn. Haver seconded. All voted yes. (7:20 p.m.)

MAYOR _____

Larry Haver

CLERK/TREASURER _____

Diane Collins