

## Minutes of Regular Council

January 21, 2008, at 6:00 p.m.

The meeting was called to order by Mayor Larry Haver.

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

Foster moved to approve the January 7 minutes. Haver seconded. All voted yes.

Beverly moved to approve the bills. Hart seconded. All voted yes.

Pocratsky moved to elect Ron Jones as Council President. Beverly commented he thought it is not a good idea to have the same person in the position for 20 years. Foster stated maybe we would want to do a backup. Foster moved to close the nominations. Haver, Hart, Beverly, Pocratsky & Foster voted yes. Jones abstained. Motion carried. Jones became Council President.

**Planning Commission:** A 2007 Building Permit report was passed out.

Isaac Lee of the Defiance County Economic Development office was present to present A & P Tool's request for a \$25,000 loan to purchase computers, software and training equipment.

**Cable TV Committee:** There was a meeting Saturday, January 12 at 8 a.m. Minutes were passed out.

**Finance Committee:** Jones reported the committee will meet on February 4 at 6:15 to audit the books.

**Water/Sewer Committee:** Beverly asked for comments regarding the Stormwater Management Rules and Regulations draft. Pocratsky had concerns about what employee is qualified to do the calculations and see that we follow through. Kent said as long as he has a zoning inspector there should be time to grant the permits and keep up with the observations. Beverly will contact Rick Weaver of Poggemeyer Design Group about one change and Essex will bring legislation back for council to approve.

**Personnel Committee:** Haver reported the committee met prior to this meeting at 6 p.m. They reviewed present job descriptions and recommend making a new job descriptions for a Senior Grade I laborer position.

Beverly moved to go into executive session for compensation of personnel. Hart seconded. All voted yes.

Jones moved to add an executive session for an eminent law suit. Foster seconded. All voted yes.

(7:45 p.m. – 8:23 p.m.) Beverly moved to go back into regular session. Pocratsky seconded. All voted yes.

**Administrator's Report:** Miller reported the following:

- Bid opening for a reconditioned jet/vac was held on the 18th. He asked council to approve the bid of Brown Equipment Company for \$75,950. Beverly wants to make sure there will be a manhole vac on the truck before approving. Foster wants to know the hours on the truck. Miller will get the answers to the questions.
- He is waiting to hear from Ohio Gas on when they can run a line to tin shed. We will have a furnace installed, the garage door insulated, and the interior walls spray foamed. The garbage truck and jet/vac will be stored here with the sand filter building housing the old jet and some misc equipment currently in the tin shed.
- Gerken came Friday to compact the stone areas from the dig on N. Main. They will place a cold patch overlay to get us through until spring.
- Miller will be in Toledo the majority of Tuesday the 22nd to attend a Health Risk Management seminar.

**Miscellaneous:** Resolution 2008-01 to loan money to A & P Tool was read by caption only for the first reading. Foster moved to suspend the rules. Haver seconded. All voted yes. Resolution 2008-01 was read by caption only for the second and third readings. Jones moved to approve. Pocratsky seconded. All voted yes.

Essex mentioned that we did manage to collect from a trucking company for damage they did to a pole. The fire department is expecting to get a refund for propane left in a tank at the Ruan building on West High Street.

**Clerk's Report:** The 2007 Utility Report and Property Tax Report were put in the packets. The request to write off some accounts was not being considered at this time.

**Police Report:** No report was given

**Fire Department:** Chief Elwood reported that 17 firemen took 16 hours of Hazmat training.

**EMS Department:** No report was given.

**Mayor's Report:** Mayor Haver told council that Trident was purchased by Birkshire Hathaway Inc. This could be good for the community since it is such a large company. He informed council about Maumee Valley RC & D Elected Officials Workshop. A year end Mayor's Court Report was passed out.

The residents were thanked for their understanding and patience during the recent water main break. The February council meeting will be held on the usual first and third Mondays.

Foster reported the council has had some discussion on how we handle unpaid water bills. The current legislation makes the property owner responsible for the water bills if a tenant does not pay their bill. Foster would like to get some input from the community.

Motion was made and seconded to adjourn.

MAYOR

CLERK