

Minutes of Regular Council Meeting

March 5, 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, Ron Beverly, Mike Barth and Mike Headley; Clerk/Treasurer, Diane Collins; Administrator, Kent Miller and Solicitor, Troy Essex. There were approximately 7 visitors present.

Jones moved to approve the February 20 minutes. Haver seconded. All voted yes.

Haver moved to pay the bills. Headley moved to approve. All voted yes.

Zoning Board of Appeals:

Minutes for the February 22 hearing to hear a request for a conditional use permit at 216 Columbia Street to run a dog grooming business were shared. Beverly suggested that if an applicant states they will “probably” have a “small” sign for example, exact measurements should be approved and noted for the record rather than leave the size of the sign wide open.

There will be a hearing on March 7, 2012 to consider a conditional use permit for 728 Ogen Street. The resident would like to operate a mower and small engine repair business.

Park Board: The Minutes of the February meeting were passed out along with a new job description for a pool manager. Park Board President, Eric Bassett, was present to inform council that Mike Altman stepped down as the Park Director. They would like to hire Val Shull as the Park Director and John Diehl as the Pool Manager. Bassett stated Gary Shull and last year’s pool head lifeguard are willing to help Diehl with any problems he may have at the pool. A council member suggested that there be some set hours involved in the positions but Bassett didn’t feel that was necessary. Essex noted that the pool director’s position will need to be established along with a pay rate. Headley commended the Park Board on the good job they do.

Water/Sewer/Refuse: Pocratsky reported the committee met on March 1, 2012 to hear Mike Barth explain information he collected from four other communities regarding the billing procedures. Three out of four have special revenue that deals specifically with storm water. It was also noted that most communities have a tendency to give a break to people if they have a water leak.

Pocratsky noted that we may have confused residents about the need to unhook downspouts and sump pumps from the village sewer system. He explained that if your downspouts and sump pumps are currently draining out into the yard, no action is required.

Resident, Robert Saum, asked council if we are getting a grant for a retention pond in Industrial Drive. Mayor Haver told him that we are applying for a grant right now.

Administrator’s Report: Miller did not have a report.

Miscellaneous:

Ordinance 2012 – 03 approving the codification of our village ordinances was read by caption only for the second reading.

Police/Fire/EMS: Acting Chief Scott Cramer reported that a new EMT class has started in Hicksville. We may possibly get three.

Clerk/Treasurer: The MTD/YTD Cash Report and Income Tax Reports were passed out.

Mayor’s Report: Mayor Haver congratulated wrestlers Cody and Austin Laney for their success at State Wrestling. Residents were reminded to vote tomorrow. He announced a Special Council meeting March 12 at 6 p.m. Scott Strahley from RCAP and Rick Weaver of Poggemeyer Design Group will be there to discuss the hydrology study PDG did years ago..

Headley moved to adjourn. Barth seconded. All voted yes. (7:25 p.m.)

MAYOR _____
Larry Haver

CLERK/TREASURER _____
Diane Collins