Minutes of Regular Council Meeting and Zoning Hearing

April 17, 2006 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: Mayor, Larry Haver; Council members, Ron Jones, Amy Haver, Mick Pocratsky, Tom Haase, and Ed Foster ; Solicitor, Robert D. Aplin; and Clerk/Treasurer, Diane Collins.. Councilman, Ron Beverly and Administrator, Kent Miller were absent.

Haase moved to approve the April 3 minutes. Haver seconded. All voted yes.

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

Planning Commission and Zoning Board of Appeals: April 17 is the hearing for council concerning rezoning 117 S. Main Street. No one was present for the hearing to change the zoning from R-4 to A-1 Public Use. Aplin will bring legislation to the next meeting.

Finance Committee: Jones did not have a report.

Park Board: The minutes were in the packets.

Personnel Committee: Pocratsky did not have a report however everyone got a copy of a Grievance Policy that Miller would like passed. Foster moved to approve. Haase seconded. All voted yes.

HIXTV Committee: They met on April 8th. Foster explained the committee would like to hire a college student or HS senior during the summer to produce 5 hours of video per week for the station to play. The pay would be $400 per week as a contracted person, not an employee. The funds would initially come out of the CABLE TV fund but the committee plans to seek underwriters to break even. The cost will be approximately $4800. Council is supportive. Aplin will draw up a contact and legislation.

Cemetery Board: Pocratsky announced they met at 9:30 am on April 7. They agreed to move the smaller of the two trees out front to the cemetery. The next meeting will be May 19th at 9:30 a.m. in the council room.

Street/Light/Building: Haver reported they will meet with architectural firms April 21 starting at 2:30 to go over the proposed fire hall plans.

Police/Fire/EMS: Foster said the committee is working on benefits for the EMT's and reminded council of the recognition banquet on April 22.

Administrator's Report: Miller's report reflected the following notes: Poggemeyer (and possibly LA Electric) would like to meet with the Water/Sewer Committee. to discuss a few items.

Miller asked the Sidewalk Committee if they would be agreeable to changing the requirement to repair sidewalks to a 90 or 120 day one time notice.

The Nuisance Board needs to set a date to meet again so that he can send out notices on the two properties.

Miller has noticed a few people raking leaves/junk out to the side of the street. He is not planning on having a spring pick up program and asks that residents bag the material and take to the recycle lot. We will, however, continue with limb chipping.

Miller has had quite a few calls the past couple of days about zoning issues. He will be moving forward on warnings or citations for un-plated vehicles and boats, junk vehicles in yards, removal of trash which does constitute a health risk and sidewalk repairs. He is attempting to get caught up on the sidewalk notices sent out last year. On sidewalks, there are specific guidelines for folks to follow, so perhaps it would be wise to publish the entire 909 Section so people can see that sloping, plastering, etc. is not acceptable.

Council is agreeable to having curb-side spring clean-up if that is the way the administrator wants to do it this spring.

Miscellaneous: Resolution 2006-02 recognizing the importance of a Sole Source Aquifer Designation, was left on the table. Jones will speak to Matt Gilroy about this matter in a few days.

Ordinance 2006-01 approving and accepting an Annexation Agreement was read by caption only for the third reading. Foster moved to approve. Jones seconded. All voted yes.

Resolution 2006-06 to award Interim and Active Deposits for the period from January 1, 2006 through December 31, 2010 was read by caption only for the third reading. Pocratsky moved to approve. Haase seconded. All voted yes.

Ordinance 2006-03 to prohibit installation and use of booster pumps was read by caption only for the third reading. Jones moved to approve. Foster seconded. All voted yes.

Ordinance 2006-04 changing the EMS rates was read by caption only for the first reading.

Foster moved to spent $1500 of the Housing Rehabilitation Funds to share a housing project with Northwestern Ohio Community Action Commission for 209 Dixon Avenue. Haver seconded. All voted yes.

<u>Clerk's Report</u>: The YTD Financial Statement was passed out. Collins reminded the Water/Sewer/Refuse Committee that Cheryl Smith is awaiting a response to her request for refuse related decisions. The committee asked that the information be given to them again. Collins explained that all committee minutes would be placed in council packets in the future.

<u>Mayor's Report</u>: Mayor Haver recently spoke to Randy Eisle of Hicksville Grain. Randy does not feel the proposed building will be on any of our lines. Foster feels we need to start the process of getting an easement from Hicksville Grain for our water and sewer lines anyway. Miller was given the task at the last council meeting.

The EMS banquet will be on April 22 at the High Street Grill. Service awards will be given out. Council members were invited to attend and should contact Greg Zimmerman to make reservations.

The monthly fire report was passed out along with the Mayor's Court Report.

A discussion about the Tax Expenditure Limitation (TEL) Proposal took place. Everyone agreed that they did not like the idea. Aplin will bring legislation to the next council meeting.

Mayor Haver called John Clifford today about the proposed RUAN Lease Agreement. Mr. Clifford promised a response in a couple days.

A resident contacted the Mayor regarding the lack of a sidewalk in the vicinity of Columbia/Pearl and Defiance Avenue. The Sidewalk Committee noted they need to meet regarding several areas in town.

Mayor Haver asked Pocratsky if prisoners could be used in the cemetery to dig footers for the rehabilitation project. Pocratsky will check into it.

A motion was made by Haase and seconded by Foster to adjourn after an executive session. All voted yes.

Pocratsky moved to into executive session to discuss personnel. Foster seconded. All voted yes. The meeting adjourned as planned immediately afterwards.

MAYOR CLERK