Minutes of Regular Council Meeting

August 6, 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, Mike Headley, Mark Haver, Mick Pocratsky, Ron Beverly, Mike Barth and Ron Jones; Clerk/Treasurer, Diane Collins; Administrator, Kent Miller and Solicitor, Troy Essex. There were eight visitors.

Jones moved to approve the July 16, 2012 minutes. Haver seconded. All voted yes.
Beverly moved to approve two sets of bills. Headley seconded. All voted yes.

Dennis Miller of Maumee Valley Planning was present to explain the offer the Hicksville Revolving Loan committee wants to propose to Stoett Industries. Essex will bring legislation to the next meeting authorizing the offer. In the meantime Mayor Haver wanted a vote by council to get the deal moving. Beverly moved to approve. Headley seconded. All voted yes.

Planning Commission: A public hearing was held on July 26, 2012 concerning a request to split a portion of Lot 19, Edgerton's Outlots, a/k/a 322 Chicago Avenue. Minutes from the meeting were in the council packets. The split was approved.

Personnel Committee: Jones reported that the committee met prior to the council meeting to discuss pay increases for the employees. He noted it has been three years since the employees got a raise and currently the employees pay 15% of their insurance premiums. The committee is proposing a 3% pay increase effective January 1, 2013 and no increase in their insurance premium portion.

Water/Sewer/Refuse: Barth has called a meeting for tomorrow night. The committee will meet with EMHT representatives to discuss a contract for work needed. EMHT would be hired to perform a Hydrology and Hydraulic Study, develop a project area base map utilizing a GIS database, perform smoke testing, video sewer lines, and then develop a storm drainage master plan.

Street/Light/Property Committee: Beverly stated the committee met tonight prior to the council meeting to discuss the alleys in the vicinity of the municipal building and fire hall. The committee would like to make a drive way out of the parking lot behind the fire hall so that traffic flow will be one way in and one way out. They would also like to see steps from the fire hall parking lot towards the back door of the municipal building so the employees can use the parking lot more conveniently.

Personnel Committee: Jones reported that his committee is going to meet on August 6 at 6:30 p.m. to considering giving raises in 2013. He also reminded all department heads to buy local when possible.

Park Board: The July meeting minutes were in the council packets. Val Shull was present at the meeting.

Revolving Loan Committee: Meeting minutes were in council packets.

Administrator's Report: Miller reported the following:

- The Water Superintendents July operations report was in council packets.
- A resident brought Miller a handful of scrap metal that is regularly picked up in the street. Miller stated that he also finds it and is going to contact the trucking company that seems to be losing their load.
- Miller is going to be in Columbus Tues. and Wed. of next week then in Defiance all day Thursday for a meeting.

Miscellaneous:
Ordinance 2012-07 to transfer $440,000 of General Fund funds to the Police Pension and Capital Projects funds was read by caption only for the second reading.
Resolution 2012 – 10 to assess street light millage was read by caption only for the first reading.
Resolution 2012 – 11 to accept the rates as determined by the county budget commission was read by caption only for the first reading.

Police/Fire/EMS: It was mentioned that Scott Cramer will be acting EMS chief for the remainder of the year. The Police chief and Fire chief exchanged some friendly banter over the Summer Fest 5K race.

Clerk/Treasurer's Report: Collins passed out the quarterly MYD/YTD Cash Report and Income Tax Reports and the Liquor License distribution list to review.

Mayor's Report: The July Mayor's Court Report in council packets. Brenda Griffith, candidate for county commissioner was recognized. Mayor Haver reported an increase in Mediacom rates. Beverly asked if there would be any other cable companies available to offer services in Hicksville. Barth explained the process it would take to get another cable company in the village if one were even available, which is not the case, to our knowledge. Mayor Haver stated that ODOT wants our blessing to repave sections of route 2. It was pointed out that an ordinance needs passed by council. Mayor Haver gave council members a letter from Scott Straley of RCAP relating to the proposed Oak Park sanitary sewer project. Mayor Haver and some council members instructed Miller to get started on the project right away using our employees. Pocratsky stated he wanted to see the cost of the project before he votes on it.

Beverly moved to adjourn. Barth seconded. All voted yes.

MAYOR ________________________ CLERK/TREASURER___________________