

Minutes of Regular Council

November 17, 2008, at 7:00 p.m.

The meeting was called to order by Mayor Haver.

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

Foster moved to approve the November 3 minutes. Hart seconded. All voted yes.

Jones moved to pay the bills. Pocratsky seconded. All vote yes.

Water/Sewer/Street/Refuse: Pocratsky and committee met November 6th to discuss E Cornelia Street flooding issues.

Personnel Committee: Haver called a meeting for November 19th at 6:30 p.m.

HIXTV: Foster met with the Mediacom Area Director of Operations, Mike Dickerson. They are holding discussions to run fiber to the new school. Dickerson seems very interested in doing some things to be a part of the community. Channel 3, 5, & 7 are still having some problems.

Administrator's Report: Kent Miller reported the following:

- There is cabbage left from the commodities give-away that can be picked up by those that qualify.
- Christmas decorations will be put up Thursday. He would like some volunteers.
- We will pick leaves up through Thanksgiving.
- This Monday is the last Monday the recycling center is open during the winter months.
- Verizon has reimbursed the Village for paving done at the E. High St. viaduct.

Miscellaneous:

Ordinance 2008-09 to establish a Job Creation Tax Incentive was corrected and read by caption only for the third reading. Pocratsky moved to approve. Hart seconded. All voted yes.

Ordinance 2008-10 establishing pay ranges for the village employees was read by caption only for the second reading.

Ordinance 2008-11 a revised version of the Annual Appropriations Ordinance was read by caption only for the second reading.

Resolution 2008-14 paying longevity pay to the Clerk/Treasurer was read by caption only for the third reading. Jones moved to approve. Pocratsky seconded. All voted yes.

Troy will type a simple Confidentiality Agreement for employees to sign as the one proposed is overkill. Its purpose is to reduce risk.

Pat Hire of Clemens, Nelson & Associates sent Essex an opinion on our current Family Medical Leave (FML) policy. He suggested since we do not qualify for FML we could create our own policy for time off and call it whatever we want to.

Troy has written a job description for the full time EMT position. Copies were passed out to council for review.

Clerk's Report: The MTD/YTD Cash Report was passed out. Some notes about the income tax collections were shared.

Police Report: No report was given.

Fire Department: Chief Elwood passed out a report. Elwood stated three firemen have completed a year of work and will be taken off probation.

EMS Department: Acting Chief Wendy Goeltzenleucter stated the runs are up.

Foster moved to hire Wendy as the EMS chief for a period of three years. Time spent as acting chief will count towards her six months probationary period. Beverly seconded. All voted yes.

Mayor's Report: Mayor asked council members to attend the Hicksville School Foundation's Dedication Gala sponsored by Jim Schmidt Family of Dealerships on January 3.

A motion was made and seconded to adjourn.

MAYOR

CLERK