

Regular Council

December 2, 2013 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: Council members Mark Haver, Mike Barth, Ron Jones, Mike Headley, Ron Beverly and Mick Pocratsky; Solicitor, Troy Essex; Administrator, Kent Miller; and Clerk/Treasurer, Diane Collins. There were 7 visitors present.

Haver moved to approve the November 18 special council minutes. Headley seconded. All voted yes.

Haver moved to approve the November 18 regular council minutes. Jones seconded. All voted yes.

Jones moved to approve the bills list. Pocratsky seconded. All voted yes.

Susan Mack, interim director of the Community Service Center was present. She thanked council for the use of the apartment beside the police department and gave them an update on the progress they are making and future goals. Ms. Mack also gave a written report on the Hicksville Beautification Committee's past year and future goals. She thanked the businesses for their curb appeal efforts. She told council the group would like to beautify the park and concentrate some efforts on litter control around town.

Personnel Committee: Jones moved to approve the changes proposed to the Personnel Manual. Headley seconded. All voted yes.

Police/Fire/EMS Committee: Headley reported that the Fire Chief proposed rate changes which the committee did approve. The changes will be brought back in form. Fire Chief Cramer is working on rates with townships. They are considering changing the length of the fire contracts.

Park Board: Minutes of the November meeting were in council packets. Mark Haver voiced his concerns over repeated damage at the park and nothing being done about it. Surveillance cameras were suggested and Miller was asked to look into it. Headley stated he concurs with the Beautification Committee but feels the park was well run with very little issues.

Administrator's Report: Miller reported the following:

- Leaf collection is nearly finished. The guys had done 80 loads by the end of Wednesday, November 27th, compared to a total of 76 in 2012.
- The recycle lot has also changed to winter hours; Thursdays 1:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m. and Saturdays 9:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. It will be closed on Mondays until March.
- Miller gave council the schedule for Christmas and New Year's trash pick up. There have been notices in the Tribune and flyers placed at city hall.

Miscellaneous:

- **Resolution 2013 - 17** to update the Investment Policy of the Village of Hicksville was read by caption only for the third reading. Jones moved to approve. Haver seconded. All voted yes.
- **Ordinance 2013- 14** to approve the 2014 Annual Appropriations was read by caption only for the second reading.
- **Ordinance 2013-15** to amend the 2013 Annual Appropriation was read by caption only for the second reading.
- **Ordinance 2013-16** to sell a man lift was read by caption only for the first reading. Pocratsky moved to suspend the rules. Barth seconded. Haver, Headley, Jones, Barth & Pocratsky voted yes. Beverly abstained. Ordinance 2013-16 was read by caption only for the second and third readings. Barth moved to approve. Pocratsky seconded. Haver, Headley, Jones, Barth & Pocratsky voted yes. Beverly abstained.
- **Ordinance 2013 – 17** to sell a leaf loader was read by caption only for the first reading. Pocratsky moved to suspend the rules. Headley seconded. Haver, Headley, Jones, Barth & Pocratsky voted yes. Beverly abstained. Ordinance 2013-17 was read by caption only for the second and third readings. Barth moved to approve. Pocratsky seconded. Haver, Headley, Jones, Barth & Pocratsky voted yes. Beverly abstained.

Clerk/Treasurer's Report: Collins shared the MYD/YTD Cash Report and Income Tax Report. Tax Administrator, Zoe McMaster gave a written report about a recent Income Tax Meeting of the NW Ohio Tax Administrators.

Mayor's Report: Mayor Haver invited the community to the Christmas Tree Lighting and festivities this weekend.

Jones suggested that Miller consider quarterly general pickup since we do it four times a year anyways. There was a discussion about when and how it is handled now vs. what could be done differently. Going back to weekly general pickup was also brought up. Out of town people bringing trash in is still a concern. No decisions were made.

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

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Mayor	Clerk/Treasurer