

Minutes of Regular Council

December 3, 2007 at 7 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, Amy Haver, Ron Jones, Tom Haase, Mick Pocratsky, Ron Beverly, and Ed Foster; Solicitor, Troy Essex; Administrator, Kent Miller; and Clerk/Treasurer, Diane Collins.

Foster moved to approve the November 19 minutes with two additions: The personnel committee reported the wages of the youth director should remain the same in 2008. Council agreed to approve payment of a housing rehab furnace if qualifications are met. Pocratsky seconded. Haver, Jones, Pocratsky, Beverly, and Foster voted yes. Haase abstained.

Haase moved to approve the bills. Beverly seconded. All voted yes.

Zoning Board of Appeals: Minutes of the November 29 meeting were passed out. The board approved two lot splits. One is located on West High Street. The other is located on Antwerp Drive.

Steve Zachrich of Zachrich Leasing was present to answer questions about change orders for the new fire hall. The change orders were originally brought up last meeting. Jones moved to approve change order #17. Haase seconded. All voted yes. Change order #18 is left open until Mr. Zachrich compares plans with Mayor Haver. Pocratsky moved to approve change orders #19 & #20. Haase seconded. Haver, Jones, Pocratsky, Haase and Foster voted yes. Beverly voted no. Change order #21 is left open until Mr. Zachrich talks to Baird. Foster moved to approve Change order #22. Jones seconded. Both rescinded their motions

Water/Sewer/Refuse Committee: Beverly will try to get his committee together.

Administrator's Report: Miller reported the following:

- Miller asked council to vote to approve funds he spent to bolt down and grout around the fire dept. washing machine. Jones moved to approve. Foster seconded. Beverly, Haase & Pocratsky voted no. Haver, Jones & Foster voted yes. Mayor Haver voted yes.
- Mayor Haver recommended hiring Dave Schooley as the zoning inspector pending a good physical and drug screen. The pay would be \$11.51 during the probationary period. It would be for 15 – 20 hours per week typically. Haase moved to approve the Mayor's recommendation. Beverly seconded. All voted yes.
- Leaf pick up will be done December 7th. Brush pick up will resume.

Miscellaneous:

Ordinance 2007-17 the annual appropriations ordinance, was not read in anticipation of last minute changes.

Ordinance 2007-18 to establish pay ranges was read by caption only for the second reading.

Ordinance 2007-19 to amend Section 147.01 was read by caption only for the first reading.

Ordinance 2007-20 to amend Section 147.04 was read by caption only for the first reading.

Essex has a proposed ordinance for a source water protection plan if anyone wants to read it.

Someone asked if this would have an affect on economic development.

Essex explained the sheriff has called a meeting for Tuesday at 4 p.m. about EMS contracts. Essex put information in the packets about Sherwood's plan for billing. Beverly objected to covering more territory when several months ago we couldn't cover our own territory. Chief Harris was not present but told the Mayor the squad could cover the proposed area. Mayor Haver, Fire Chief Bill Elwood and Troy Essex will attend for Hicksville.

Essex reported the following agenda items are pending:

Status of Section 125 for payroll insurance deduction

further information about CAUV as related to platting industrial park

Railroad Street Easements

Status on vacating Edgerton Street alley

Clerk's Report: MTD/YTD Financial Statement and Income Tax Report were put in the packets. Tax collections are down 5% compared to the same time last year.

Police: No report was given.

Fire: Chief Elwood passed out a monthly report.

EMS: No report was given.

Mayor's Report: No report was given.

Beverly brought up the notice in the packets that Mediacom is raising their rates. It was felt we should send them a letter asking what the rate increase is based upon.

A motion was made and seconded to adjourn.

MAYOR

CLERK