

Minutes of Regular Council
And Annual Meeting with the Hicksville Township Trustees

December 18, 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, Amy Haver (arrived late), Ron Jones, Ed Foster, Ron Beverly, Tom Haase, and Mick Pocratsky; Solicitor, Troy Essex; Administrator, Kent Miller; and Clerk/Treasurer, Diane Collins.

Jones moved to approve the December 4 minutes. Haase seconded. All voted yes.

Pocratsky moved to approve the December 12 minutes. Haase seconded. All voted yes.

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

The Annual meeting with the Hicksville Twp. Trustees was called to order. Present were trustees Greg Collins, Jeff Green & Dave Wonderly. Councilmember Haver arrived at this time. Jones moved to reappoint Clark Poth to the Hicksville Cemetery Board if he wants to stay on. If Poth does not want to stay on Glenn Elser is appointed. Mayor Haver will follow up with Poth. Haase seconded. All voted yes. Other matters discussed were the Casebeer-Miller Road bridge replacement and yield signs for the Casebeer-Miller Road viaduct.

Police/Fire/EMS Committee: Foster reported the committee met with the EMT and Police Depts. on December 7. No action was taken. The committee recommends a two year term for EMS Squad Chief, Greg Zimmerman.

Beverly moved to go into executive session to discuss personnel issues. Pocratsky seconded. All voted yes. (7:15 p.m. – 8:25 p.m.) Returned to regular session.

Administrator's Report: Miller asked council to approve a change order of \$2,234 to get an auto dialer put in at the WWTP. Council was in agreement. Miller noted the AEP bill for the WWTP is getting pretty high. Peterson Construction notified Miller that our liability insurance should kick in on December 22. Miller will delete insurance on the old structure. The manufacturer of the grit pump and grit tube is looking into solving the problem of the tube freezing up. The pump has never worked right.

Miscellaneous: Ordinance 2006-13, the Annual Appropriations, was read by caption only for the third reading. Jones moved to approve. Haase seconded. All voted yes.

Ordinance 2006-15 to accept Old Mill Road was read by caption only for the second reading.

Ordinance 2006-16 consenting to the replacement of the Casebeer-Miller bridge was read by caption only for the first reading. Foster moved to suspend the rules. Haver seconded. All voted yes. Ordinance 2006-16 was read by caption only for the second and third readings. Foster moved to approve. Pocratsky seconded. All voted yes.

Ordinance 2006-17 to amend the annual appropriations ordinance was read by caption only for the first reading. Jones moved to suspend the rules. Pocratsky seconded. All voted yes. Ordinance 2006-17 was read by caption only for the second and third readings. Haase moved to approve. Foster seconded. All voted yes.

Beverly moved to approve the proposed telephone policy and the Credit Card Policy. Pocratsky noted the personnel committee approved them also. Pocratsky seconded. All voted yes.

The First Church of Christ has not signed the Property Agreement yet. Miller gave Essex some legal descriptions for Hicksville Grain Company property that we want to get an easement on.

Clerk's Report: EMS and Fire Dept. payroll reports and the November MTD/YTD Financial Statement were passed out. Collins asked the Ordinance Committee if they had a chance to review the Income Tax Rules and Regs. They have not but will in the near future. Essex suggested a resolution be passed to approve.

Police Report: No report was given.

Fire Department: No report was given.

EMS Department: No report was given.

Mayor's Report: Mayor Haver reported the Office of the Ohio Consumer Council will be holding a reliability hearing in Lima on January 10 at 6 pm. It is relates to American Electric Power's rates and service.

Mayor Haver presented two bids to survey & stake the Industrial Park. Poggemeyer Design Group bid \$2,360 to stake & pin. Paul Westoven bid \$2,250 to stake, pin and draw out each lot. Beverly moved to go with the lower bid. Haver seconded. All voted yes.

Mayor Haver asked council to look over some information in the packets regarding the cost of putting in taps and possibly increasing fees. He also asked the Street/Light/Property Committee to make a recommendation about the parking concerns on East High Street between Maple Street & Handle Lane.

A newspaper article from a Continental council meeting was pointed out because it mentioned issuing permits to farmers for tying field tile into village sewers.

We are waiting for a couple proposals to do the water run-off regulations.

The Christmas for Kids recycling dumpsters generated \$25,000 in a five county area. Residents were reminded that they can drop off their appliances at the recycling center during regular hours. Freon does not need to be removed.

The next council meeting is on Tuesday, January 2, 2007.

Motion was made to adjourn

MAYOR

CLERK