

Regular Council

Monday, December 21, 2015 at 6:00 p.m.

The meeting was called to order by Mayor Michael Headley.

A Prayer was given by Mayor Headley.

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited by all present.

Present were: Council members Mike Barth, Ron Jones, Mark Haver, Ron Beverly, and Mick Pocratsky; Solicitor Troy Essex; Administrator Kent Miller and Clerk-Treasurer Diane Collins. Council Member Bruce Hart was absent. Media and council elect Shelia Baker were the only visitors present.

Jones moved to approve the December 7 minutes. Haver seconded. voted yes
Beverly moved to approve the bills. Pocratsky seconded. Haver, Beverly, Jones & Pocratsky voted yes. Barth abstained.

Zoning Board of Appeals: Mayor Headley recommended Tom Stuckman for the board to replace John Keller who passed away this year. Pocratsky moved to approve the Mayor's recommendation. Jones seconded. All voted yes.

Planning Commission: A notice of a public hearing scheduled for January 1 was in the council packets. Michael Helf requested to re-zone Lots 127, 128, 129, 130, 131, 132, 133, & 143 Shoe Factory Addition a/k/a 800 Ogen Street. It is presently zoned Light Industrial (M-1). The request is to re-zone to Single Family, Two Family, Multiple Family.

Street/Light /Property: Minutes of a December 14 committee meeting were in council packets. Beverly pointed out that it is the desire of the committee to donate the decorations to the Cruise Thru. He reported the committee is still waiting for information about the downtown parking from the engineer. It is not expected to be completed until late January. The topic is not forgotten.

A newspaper article about donating holiday decorations was in the council packet at the request of Beverly.

Personnel Committee: Minutes from a December 14 committee meeting were in council packets. Pocratsky explained the committee would like to see longevity pay for those employees and volunteers working 30, 35 & 40 years also. Essex was asked to bring back legislation.

Water/Sewer/Refuse: Barth reported Adam Voris is coming to the January 18 council meeting to discuss sewer projects.

Administrator's Report: Miller reported the following:

- Bid opening for the Veteran's Memorial was December 18 (copy attached). There are some wrinkles in this project which need addressed before a final vote can be taken. The bid results for the Veteran's Memorial were in council packets. The Bid came in at \$241,402.
- Trash collection will not be affected by either Christmas or New Year's holidays. There will also be general pickups both weeks as is done every year.
- The Village will also pick up "natural" Christmas trees as usual. Lights and ornaments must be removed but white plastic outer wraps can stay on. Residents can also take trees to the lot. Austin Hathaway obtained his CDL and should be taken off probation. His pay or position will not change. Mayor Headley recommended. Beverly moved to approve. Pocratsky seconded. All voted yes.

Miscellaneous:

Ordinance 2015-19 to establish pay rates was read by caption only for the first reading. Collins asked that it have a couple pay rates changed with council's permission. She asked that the Fire Chief's pay be increased from \$2,777.56 annually to \$3,600 annually. She also asked that the part-time Patrolman pay be increased from \$13.32 per hour to \$15 per hour. Pocratsky moved to suspend the rules. Jones seconded. All voted yes. Ordinance 2015-19 was by caption only for the second and third readings with the changes. Barth moved to approve. Beverly seconded. All voted yes.

Ordinance 2015-20 to amend the annual appropriations ordinance was read by caption only for the first reading. Jones moved to suspend the rules. Beverly seconded. All voted yes. Ordinance 2015-20 was read by caption only for the second and third readings. Jones moved to approve. Barth seconded. All voted yes.

Resolution 2015-25 to contract Dave Brown Designs for the construction of a Veteran's Memorial was read by caption only for the first reading. Mayor Headley indicated the

Veteran’s Memorial Committee is considering getting its own 501©3 status to make things easier.

Resolution 2015-26 to dispose of personal property was read by caption only for the first reading. This specifically refers to holiday decorations. Mayor Headley commented that this was a very nice gesture.

Essex explained to council that Cheryl Smith should be named as a replacement on the BORMA board since Collins is moving into the Mayor’s seat. Pocratsky moved to appoint Cheryl Smith to the BORMA Board. Beverly seconded. All voted yes.

Essex reported he has the signed documents and a check for purchasing the Poling property on Antwerp Drive. He stated the documents should be filed and in our name tomorrow.

Police/Fire/EMS: EMS Chief Kesler was absent but requested council to approve Tiffany Vollmer advancing from a Basic EMT to an Advanced positon. Mayor Headley approved to new designation. Pocratsky moved to approve. Barth seconded. All voted yes.

Clerk/Treasurer’s Report: Collins shared a letter from Mediacom regarding rates adjustments.

Pocratsky presented the name of Brandy Havens for the Assistant to the Clerk/Treasurer opening that will occur January 1 when Cheryl Smith becomes the interim Clerk/Treasurer. Haver asked to see the application which Pocratsky provided for his review. Mayor Headley recommended Brandy Havens for the positon pending a good drug screen, physical and background check. Beverly moved to approve the Mayor’s recommendation. Barth seconded. All voted yes.

Mayor’s Report - Mayor Headley reminded the department heads the employee evaluations are due.

Mayor Headley read a letter from Bruce Hart thanking several people for their service and allowing him to serve.

Mayor Headley thanked the employees, specifically Diane Collins, Mark Haver & Bruce Hart for their service. They all received plaques. Swearing in the new officials will take place at 10 a.m. on December 30. Council President Ron Jones presented Mayor Headley with a plaque recognizing him for the term he served as Mayor.

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

Mayor

Clerk/Treasurer