

VILLAGE OF HICKSVILLE
REGULAR COUNCIL MINUTES

Monday, December 17TH, 2018, at 6:00 p.m.

The meeting was called to order by Mayor Diane Collins, followed by the invocation.

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited by all present.

Roll Call was read with the following persons in attendance: Mayor Diane Collins; Council Members Eric Bassett, Mike Barth, Ron Jones, Shelia Baker, Larry Ridgway, and Ron Beverly; Administrator Kent Miller; Fiscal Officer Cheryl Smith; and Solicitor Troy Essex.

Minutes from the December 4th Regular Council Meeting were presented. Eric Bassett made a motion to approve, seconded by Larry Ridgway. All voted yes.

A list of bills was presented. Ron Beverly made a motion to approve the bills, seconded by Ron Jones. Bassett, Ridgway, Baker, Jones and Beverly voted yes. Barth abstained.

Mayor Collins performed the swearing in ceremony naming Mark Denning as Police Chief.

Boards & Commissions:

No reports

Council Committees:

No reports

NOTE: All committee meeting minutes are available in their entirety in the Fiscal Officer's office at 111 South Main Street, Hicksville or by email request to hixcs@defnet.com.

Administrator's Report:

- Miller gave a written report to council outlining current projects and listing projects to begin next year. Leaf raking is over. 74 loads of leaves were collected. Commodities will remain the same. Miller thanked Nelson Hershberger for letting the village store frozen food this month. Christmas trees will be picked up as always if they are free of decorations. Werlor will collect trash on Thursday for the next 2 weeks due to the holidays. During December through February the recycle lot will be closed Mondays.
- Beverly asked Miller how much has been pulled out at the Wastewater Treatment Plant. Miller told him the rain gauges had frozen last year and have not been replaced. Beverly then asked if Jeff Rumble could give council flow numbers.
- Miller has questions about a piece of property at the cemetery location being farmed. Troy Essex has been asked to investigate and clarify the situation.
- We have received a letter from the EPA officially moving the Chicago Avenue project from Phase I of the Long Term Control Plan to Phase II.

Solicitor's Report:

- Second and final reading of **Ordinance 2018-15** by caption only listing 2019 Appropriations and declaring an emergency. Ron Jones made a motion to suspend the rules, seconded by Mike Barth. Baker voted no. Bassett, Barth, Beverly, Jones and Ridgway voted yes. Ron Jones made a motion to approve, seconded by Mike Barth. Baker voted no. Bassett, Barth, Beverly, Jones and Ridgway voted yes.
- Second and final reading of **Ordinance 2018-16** by caption only listing 2019 Pay Rates and declaring an emergency. Ron Jones made a motion to suspend the rules, seconded by Ron Beverly. Baker voted no. Bassett, Barth, Beverly, Jones and Ridgway voted yes. Mike Barth made a motion to approve, seconded by Ron Jones. Baker voted no. Bassett, Barth, Beverly, Jones and Ridgway voted yes.
- First reading of **Resolution 2018-29** by caption only to provide services to territory proposed for annexation and declaring an emergency. Ron Beverly made a motion to suspend the rules, seconded by Ron Jones. All voted yes. Second and final reading of Resolution 2018-29 by caption only. Ron Beverly made a motion to approve, seconded by Eric Bassett. All voted yes.
- First reading of **Resolution 2018-30** by caption only providing that the village will carry insurance on the sign located on FWT LLC property and declaring an emergency. Eric Bassett made a motion to suspend the rules, seconded by Mike Barth. All voted yes. Second and final reading of Resolution 2018-30 by caption only. Mike Barth made a motion to approve, seconded by Ron Beverly. All voted yes.

Department Heads:

Police: Mark Denning – no report

Fire/EMS: Scott Cramer-

- asked the mayor to recommend John Elwood as Deputy Chief of the EMS Department. He had discussed the promotion with the committee earlier. The mayor made the recommendation. Ron Beverly made a motion to approve her recommendation, seconded by Eric Bassett. All voted yes.*
- He reported the Fire Department Jaws is broken. He has been pricing replacements and wanted council to know they now have battery operated cutters and spreaders available as a combination tool. The cost could be around \$7,550.00.*
- Christmas for Kids is being completed tonight with handing out gifts to parents who signed up. About 70 families / 140 + kids received packages.*
- Fireman Mitchell Weatherhead addressed council about the Spring Fund Raiser for the Fire Department. Traditionally this is held at St. Michael’s Catholic Church, but he would like to “shake things up” and use the Fire Hall. It would occur in April or May 2019. Troy Essex was asked to clarify the legality, and Kent Miller will check with Conrad Beck about insurance.*

Park Director: No report

Fiscal Officer Report:

The following reports were presented:

- Fund Status
- Purchase Order Listing
- November Revolving Loan Report

Mayor’s Report:

Christ Cupboard has sent out their annual request for donations. If anyone wants information, contact the mayor.

At 6:35 pm Eric Bassett made a motion to go into executive session to discuss possible litigation, seconded by Larry Ridgway. Council resumed open session at 6:50 pm.

Eric Bassett made a motion to adjourn, seconded by Larry Ridgway. All voted yes. Meeting adjourned at 6:55 pm.

Mayor

Fiscal Officer