

INFORMATION

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Next Meeting – January 9th, 2012

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Official Regular Council Meeting November 14th, 2011

I. CALL TO ORDER:

Mayor Stanton called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. Members present: Mayor Steve Stanton, Council members Joe Beck, Mel Armstrong, Nancy Leek, and Mark Larson. Councilmember McNary was absent. Employee Rita Christlieb, City Clerk was in attendance. Citizens in attendance were Sandi Goetz, Wayne McNary, Deb Gaskill and others.

OPENING COMMENTS:

In opening comments, LuAnn Petty of the Lambda Tau Sorority stated that the sorority would like to request a donation from the City for the Christmas program that they put on for the children of the community every year at the Township Hall.

Motion was made by Mel Armstrong to give the Sorority \$50.00 donation for the Christmas program, second by Joe Beck, carried 4-0.

II. COUNCIL COMMENTS/QUESTIONS/CONCERNS

Mayor Stanton stated that there had been prowlers in town late at night and that there has been vandalism to properties in town. He requested that if anyone sees anything suspicious to call the Sheriff's office immediately.

Mayor Stanton also stated that during hazardous conditions Sunflower Blvd. will be closed from Delaware to Main Street until conditions can be improved.

III. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Mayor Stanton requested that item # 4 become Yard Light Committee, and Hearing Appeal become #5, #6 Approval of Consent items, #7 will be Reports, and #8 will be Rental WST. Larson made a motion to accept the agenda with the requested changes, second by Beck. Carried 4-0.

IV. LIGHT COMMITTEE

Councilmember Leek gave the Council a letter the Committee desired to send out regarding the Yard Light Ordinance and notices. She stated that she would like to have it out by the first of December and have it enforced by January 1st, 2012. Ms. Goetz stated that "see 1-118" gives the City the option to change fines and fees without having to change and publish an ordinance.

Discussion followed. Councilmember Leek stated that she is very pleased with the Committee and all the work that they done.

Mayor Stanton stated that he would like this package to pass with the suggested changes to the letter to add "all fees incurred in notifications will be assessed to owner's real estate taxes" as discussed by the Council.

Motion by Larson to approve the package with changes, second by Armstrong. The motion passed 4-0.

V. HEARING APPEAL BOARD

Mayor Stanton stated that the Hearing Appeal Board for the Yard Light Ordinance would consist of himself, Mayor Stanton, one standing member of the Yard Light Committee, which would be Don Majors at this time and a citizen at large. Appeals regarding Yard Light Ordinance violations would go to the appeals board.

VI. CONSENT ITEMS

a) MINUTES OF THE OCTOBER 10th, 2011 MEETING

Council member Leek requested the addition of "This was approved to be a Standing Committee by Mayor Stanton." be added as the last statement under Governmental Affairs.

Motion by Armstrong to accept minutes as corrected, second by Larson. The motion passed 4-0.

b) OCTOBER TREASURER'S REPORT

Treasurer Bieker furnished the Mayor and Council with a monthly financial report for October. The report reflected credits/debits of \$4,640.47/\$6,563.34 for General, \$6,104.91/\$2,704.79 for Water, \$1,540.00/\$832.86 for Sewer, \$10.00/\$0.00 for Parks, \$0/\$0.00 for Equipment Reserve, \$4,288.99/\$0.00 for Special Highway, \$0.00/\$0.00 for Water Depreciation Reserve and \$2406.50/\$2,469.98 for Trash. The total receipts/expenditures for October were \$18,990.87/\$12,570.97.

Motion by Larson to approve the October's Treasurer's Report, second by Beck. The motion passed 4-0.

c) OCTOBER WARRANT REGISTER

The Septembers Warrant Register reflected an expenditure amount of \$6,563.34 for General, \$3,313.26 for Water, \$832.86 for Sewer, \$2469.98 for Trash, \$0.00 for Equipment Reserve, 0.00 for Special Highway and \$0.00 for Park. Total expenditures for September were \$13,179.44.

The October Warrant Register reflected an expenditure amount of \$5,540.82 for General, \$13,118.44 for Water, \$509.09 for Sewer, \$2,587.50 for Trash, \$0.00 for Equipment Reserve, 0.00 for Special Highway and \$0.00 for Park. Total expenditures for October were \$21,755.85.

Councilmember Larson requested that check # 1020, to Joe Beck, for 60.83, #10126, to Bob Holiday, for 32.56 and #10139, to Rees Fruit Farm be moved from the General Fund to Parks. Clerk Christlieb stated that she would request of Treasurer Bieker that he move those back into parks as requested.

Councilmember Larson also requested that Check # 10134, to Meier's Ready Mix, for 75.00 are moved from water and placed into Streets.

City Clerk Christlieb pulled the receipt and stated that Maintenance had designated it as sand for the well under water and asked Councilmember Larson if he still wanted it moved to Streets. He stated to keep it under water.

Motion by Armstrong to approve the Warrant Register, second by Larson. The motion passed 4-0.

VII. Reports

Planning & Zoning:

Committee Chairperson, Sandi Goetz gave the Council the unofficial Planning and Zoning minutes of November 7th, 2011 and a handout from the LKM on Nuisance Abatement; Keeping your City Clean and other information on

abatement. She informed the Council that residents are working on building projects without a permit. The committee is requesting the Council consider a "cease and desist" order for those in violation. Chairperson Goetz presented Deb Gaskill to the Council with a recommendation that she be appointed to the Planning and Zoning Committee to fill the current vacancy. Chairperson Goetz told the Council that the Committee was in favor of curb side recycling and would like to gather more information on it. Mayor Stanton consented and asked her to contact SM Ball Waste. Mayor Stanton appointed Deb Gaskill to the Planning and Zoning Committee. The next planning and zoning meeting is scheduled for January 2, 2012.

Streets:

Nothing to report.

Utilities:

Councilmember Larson told the Council that the line is now in for Well #3, and that he and Mr. Smith are still in communication with Anderson Peck regarding the insurance on the lightning striking Well #3. He stated the City was still having several water line breaks.

Governmental Affairs:

Councilmember Leek showed a copy of the Corps Acceptance letter for this year's contract.

Parks:

Councilmember Beck thanked Hamburger Paradise for their donations during the fall clean up as well as the Citizens that came to help with the Cleanup. He stated that there was 12 total that came. He told the Council that approximately 30 people attended Family Fun Night. He stated that they had a bon fire, pumpkin carving, cider, and a movie screen with a classic video shown. He said that it was a very good event for the City.

Law Enforcement:

Nothing to report.

City Maintenance:

Nothing to report.

City Clerk:

Clerk Christlieb thanked the Council for the opportunity to attend Clerk school this year. She stated it was very informative and useful.

NEW BUSINESS

VIII. RENTER WST \$150 DEPOSIT

Tabled.

IX. CLOSING COMMENTS

Councilmember Larson stated that he believes that everyone should pay for Trash service whether or not they use it. He stated that most citizens use the cleanup day dumpster for trash. He stated that the only exception should be when someone is out of town and trash service then can only be halted in 30 day increments. Motion by Larson to require all Utility customers to pay for Trash service, with the exception of those out of town for more than a few days, to be excluded in 30 day increments with notification to the office. Second Beck, carried 4-0.

X. Adjournment

Motion by Armstrong to adjourn at 9:10, second by Beck. Carried 4-0

Rita Christlieb
City Clerk