

Hamilton City Council
1010 Broadway St.
January 5, 2012

The Hamilton City Council met in special session at 7:00p.m. with Mayor Woodruff, Eddings, Schlatter, Bierbaum, Summers, Boone, Richardson, Replinger, and Johnson answering roll call. The regular scheduled meeting was changed due to the downtown fire.

Mayor Woodruff led everyone in the "Pledge of Allegiance".

Bierbaum moved to approve the Minutes of the December 19, 2011 meeting. Schlatter seconded the motion. Roll call was called with Eddings, Schlatter, Bierbaum, Summers, Boone, Richardson, Replinger and Johnson voting aye. Motion carried with 8 aye votes and no nay votes.

Mayor Woodruff asked for a motion to approve the appointment of Charles Mullens to the Zoning Board. Bierbaum made a motion to approve the appointment. Summers seconded the motion. Roll call was called with Schlatter, Bierbaum, Summers, Boone, Richardson, Replinger, Johnson, and Eddings voting aye. Motion carried with 8 aye votes and no nay votes.

Richardson made a motion to approve the Finance Agenda Items 1 -2:

1. Selected Check Registers
2. Treasurer's Report

Summers seconded the motion. Roll call was called with Bierbaum, Summers, Boone, Richardson, Replinger, Johnson, Schlatter and Eddings voting aye. Motion carried by omnibus vote with 8 aye votes and no nay votes.

Richardson reported that the state is currently behind four months in the amount of \$15,669.51. He noted that we received a state use tax check in the amount of \$2,770.02.

Richardson announced that the budget meeting schedule has been set. He noted that the department heads should have received a schedule regarding their date and times to meet with the Finance Committee.

Richardson reported that the Finance Committee will hold a meeting on Thursday, January 12th at 6:30p.m.

Schlatter reported that the Water and Sewer Committee held a meeting on December 27th. He noted that the committee agreed on Adam Swisegood for the open water position and would ask the council for approval.

Schlatter reported that Millards is working on contacting the manufacture of the heat-cool units and will get back to us on what they find out.

Schlatter reported that the new flow meter is installed at the sewer plant and the company will be back to finish programming.

Schlatter asked for a motion to approve hiring Adam Swisegood as the new Water Department Employee effective Monday, January 9th. Eddings made a motion to approve hiring Adam for the position. Bierbaum seconded the motion. Roll call was called with Summers, Boone, Richardson, Replinger, Johnson, Eddings, Schlatter, and Bierbaum voting aye. Motion carried with 8 aye votes and no nay votes.

Schlatter made a motion to approve Water and Sewer agenda items 3-7:

3. McClure Eng Assoc Inv #10804 WTP/Public Works Building Grant \$1,031.25
4. Brent & Tim Attend Julie Excavator Safety Meeting Jan 11th Quincy no cost
5. Brent & Adam Attend IRWA Waste Water A-Z Class Jan 25th – Hamilton no cost
6. Brent & Aron Attend IRWA Conference Feb 21-23 Effingham – registration, mileage, hotel & meals
7. Tim Attend Full Conference & Brent Attend One Day Illinois Section American Water Works Assoc Conf March 19-22 Springfield – registration, mileage, hotel, meals

Bierbaum seconded the motion. Roll call was called with Boone, Richardson, Replinger, Johnson, Eddings, Schlatter, Bierbaum, and Summers voting aye. Motion carried by omnibus vote with 8 aye votes and no nay votes.

Schlatter reported that the Water and Sewer Committee will hold a meeting on Tuesday, January 10th at 6:00 p.m.

Bierbaum reported that the Street committee held a meeting on December 27th. He noted that the committee is asking the City Attorney to look into the 2009 Ordinance #18 regarding the Dike Road. They will discuss it at the next Street Committee meeting.

Bierbaum read Ordinance #8 Vacating the alley between Walnut and Main and between 15th and 16th streets. Bierbaum made a motion to approve the first reading of Ordinance #8. Summers seconded the motion. Roll call was called with Richardson, Replinger, Johnson, Eddings, Schlatter, Bierbaum, Summers, and Boone voting aye. Motion carried with 8 aye votes and no nay votes.

Bierbaum reported that Council approval of the new federal mandated street signage is not necessary. He noted that the signs are in and the Street Department will be working on getting them up.

Summers reported that the Health and Safety Committee will hold a meeting Tuesday, January 10th at 5:30 p.m.

Summers wanted to thank the Fire and Police Departments along with the citizens who helped the day of the fire and are continuing with their support through this tragedy.

Johnson had nothing new to report for the Building and Grounds committee.

Replinger submitted the following demolition/building permits: demolition of a garage to Bill Cleesen at 241 North 14th Street and a building permit for a 24' x 9' x 24' new garage to Bill Cleesen at 241 North 14th Street. Replinger made a motion to approve the permits. Johnson seconded the motion. Roll call was called with Replinger, Johnson, Eddings, Schlatter, Bierbaum, Summers, Boone, and Richardson voting aye. Motion carried with 8 aye votes and no nay votes.

Replinger reported that a Variance Hearing will be held on Tuesday, January 17th at 6:00 pm regarding the tower for Midwest Broadband on South 14th.

In closing, Mayor Woodruff thanked all the volunteers and all the other towns that jumped in and helped in the fire.

Bierbaum reported that they have been told it is the property owner's responsibility to remove the debris from the buildings that are on the sidewalks.

City Attorney, Stan Tucker will be checking with the Court House as to who the legal owners are of the buildings involved in the fire and send out letters to them.

Mayor Woodruff reported that Senator Sullivan is going to look into if there is any money available to help clean up if we aren't having any luck.

Police Chief Walter Sellens noted and Council agreed that Mayor Woodruff did an outstanding job during the fire.

Bierbaum moved to adjourn the meeting at 7:30 p.m. Johnson seconded the motion. Roll call was called with Johnson, Eddings, Schlatter, Bierbaum, Summers, Boone, Richardson, and Replinger voting aye. Motion carried with 8 aye votes and no nay votes.

Mayor

Approved

Attest: _____
City Clerk