

Hamilton City Council
1010 Broadway St.
February 6, 2012

The Hamilton City Council met in special session at 7:00p.m.with Mayor Woodruff, Eddings, Schlatter, Bierbaum, Summers, Boone, Richardson, Repplinger, and Johnson answering roll call.

Mayor Woodruff led everyone in the “Pledge of Allegiance”.

Bierbaum moved to approve the Minutes of the January 17, 2012 meeting. Summers seconded the motion. Roll call was called with Eddings, Schlatter, Bierbaum, Summers, Boone, Richardson, Repplinger and Johnson voting aye. Motion carried with 8 aye votes and no nay votes.

Mayor Woodruff asked City Attorney, Stan Tucker to discuss the Downtown Fire cleanup. Tucker reported that the City can take legal steps to file demolition actions against those that aren’t taking steps to get their property cleaned up. In that process, you can take a lien for the cost of the demolition against the real estate and then ultimately foreclose the lien and sell the real estate to pay the cost. He recommends that this be done against the property owners that are not responding. He noted that he will bring a resolution to the next Council meeting. Tucker reported that this will take a lot of time and will not be able to be covered under his retainer. He noted that we will want to appropriate money in the budget if we want to proceed with this.

Chief Sellens reported that he has had response from all the property owners in one form or another. He noted that Mr. Froman wants to clean up the sidewalk but he requested we wait on this for safety issues. He noted that Mr. Froman is willing to do whatever he can to get it cleaned up but he does have limited resources. Chief Sellens noted that he has also talked with Mr. Gray on several occasions and he has told him that he does not have insurance. Chief Sellens agrees that we should proceed with any legal actions we have available.

Tucker reported that he will prepare a Resolution to address the clean up actions and will bring to the next Council meeting.

Mayor Woodruff reported that he has asked to be taken out of the loop due to his vested interest which is why Chief Sellens has been appointed as the point person.

It was asked if volunteers could be used to clean up the area to cut back on the costs. Tucker reported that once you go through the legal proceedings how you deal with the clean up is up to you. He noted that he would suggest that the City has all the properties inspected for asbestos before moving any of the debris.

Richardson made a motion to approve the Finance Agenda Items 2-3:

2. Selected Check Registers
3. Treasurer’s Report

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

Richardson reported that the Finance Committee will hold a meeting on Tuesday, February 7th at 6:00 p.m.

Richardson reported the committee has been holding budget meetings with each Department Head. This will continue tomorrow with Water and Sewer.

Richardson announced we received \$27,249.57 from Mediacom for our franchise agreement. He also noted that we received \$3,500 for state use tax and received payments for the smaller months for the income tax. Richardson reported the state is currently behind \$60,669.00.

Schlatter reported that the Water and Sewer Committee held a meeting on February 2nd. He noted Tim reviewed their budget with the committee and Eric Moe helped with questions concerning CDAP grants.

Schlatter noted that Tim let the Committee know there is a new procedure to clean the water tower without having to drain the tank. This will save time and expenses.

Schlatter reported the Water Department would like to begin a program to change the older meters to Radio Read Meters. He noted that the city would be sectioned off with the meters that are hardest to get to or read being changed out first. The first phase could cost \$10,700.

Schlatter reported that the motor from the sludge pump has been sent to the shop for estimates.

Schlatter reported the elevator inspection has been scheduled for February 14th. He noted that we also need to renew our license with the Fire Marshall. Tim also noted that they will be making repairs to the ventilator system in house.

Schlatter reported that there is also pipe work needing to be done on the digester at the sewer plant that they will be doing in house as well.

Bierbaum reported the Street Committee held a meeting on January 25th. He noted the Street Department is in the process of putting the new signs up. They are doing the town in sections and are currently working on the Northeast corner of town.

Bierbaum reported that W. L. Miller had won the Motor Fuel Tax bids.

Bierbaum reported we had ordered more salt and will need to take another 80 ton by the end of June.

Bierbaum reported that the committee reviewed Ordinance 18 prohibiting traffic on Dike Road. Stan will prepare a new Ordinance eliminating all vehicle traffic.

Summers reported that the Health and Safety Committee will hold a meeting on Wednesday, February 15th at 5:30 p.m.

Chief Sellens reported that we do not need to do anything to the Resolution for the Adoption of the National Incident Management System at this time. He noted that we have pulled the Ordinance from 2005 and left it on the agenda for tonight incase it needed to be updated.

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

Replinger submitted the following building permit: 41' x 10' x 20' carport to Darren Monroe at 790 North 17th. Replinger made a motion to approve the permits. Johnson 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.

Bierbaum made a motion to go into Executive Session to discuss the appointment, employment, compensation, discipline, performance or dismissal of specific employee(s) of the public body. Richardson 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.

Johnson made a motion to return to open session. Eddings 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 moved to adjourn the meeting at 8:50 p.m. Boone 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.

Mayor

Approved

Attest: _____
City Clerk