

Hamilton City Council
1010 Broadway St.
April 2, 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 March 19, 2012 meeting. Johnson 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 announced that the winners of the Christmas Light Contest were Drew Plowman, Janet Johnson, and Duane and Peggy Swartzbaugh. He apologized for the delay in awarding them due to the ornaments being misplaced during the fire.

Richardson reported that the Finance Committee held a meeting on March 26th. He noted that Dan Reinhardt and John Kolditz from the Hamilton Public Library Board presented their budget to the Finance Committee.

Richardson reported Chief Sellens and Jean Massey met with a representative from Quincy 2-way Communications about the storm siren radios. He noted that when the police department radios are updated our storm sirens will be up-to-date. He also noted that Jean reported that we may want to look into purchasing “gel” batteries for the storm sirens the next time we need to replace them. The cost is more but they last longer and have a 20 year warranty.

Richardson reported that Jean told the committee they had been contacted by two different salespersons regarding switching our telephone service to Mediacom. He noted that the committee agreed to not switch at this time.

Richardson noted that the Mayor had asked employees for suggestions of what they would like to see in the employee benefits package.

Richardson made a motion to approve 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 by omnibus vote with 8 aye votes and no nay votes.

Richardson reported we received \$12,233.18 in State Sales Tax, \$5,360.51 in Use Tax and \$24,001.00 in State Income Tax.

Schlatter reported the Water and Sewer Committee met on March 29th. He noted that there had been an increase of approximately \$3,000.00 in the cost and changes in the regulations for the water meter change out program but the committee agreed that we need to proceed with the project.

Schlatter reported that the estimate for the lime sludge pump repair is \$4,100.46 or 1/3 the cost of a new pump. They agreed to proceed.

Schlatter reported the estimate for the repair of the secondary sludge pump at the water plant is \$1,200.00 and they will do the repair themselves.

Schlatter reported that they received a proposal and contract for approval for the under water inspection and cleaning of the water tower. The cost would be \$2,440.00 and is on the agenda for approval tonight.

Schlatter reported that the Water Plant received the fluoride award again this year and also awarded for 100 years of service.

Schlatter made a motion to approve Water and Sewer agenda items 2-3:

2. Approve Underwater Inspection/Cleaning Water Tower - \$2,440.00
3. Approve Radio Read Water Meter Change Out Program – approx \$13,000.00

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

Bierbaum reported the Street Committee held a meeting on March 29th. He noted that the sign replacement project is almost complete.

Bierbaum reported that they were having the '97 Ford bed repaired for \$3,300.00 instead of replacing it new.

Bierbaum reported that they had received another 30 tons of salt. This is their last allotment for the year.

Bierbaum made a motion to approve Street agenda items 2-3:

2. Ordinance #9 Prohibiting Vehicular Access Dike Road Area 2nd & 3rd Readings
3. Authorize Clerk to sign IDOT Municipal Maintenance Expenditure Statement

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

Summers reported that the Health and Safety Committee will hold a meeting on Wednesday, April 4th at 5:30 pm.

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

Replinger submitted the following building/demolition permits: 120' Fence at 18 Westview to Cindy Snyder, 20' x 9' x 14' Carport at 460 South 16th to Mike Doyle, 120' Fence at 911 Walnut to Bill Todd, 11' x 8' x 5' Storm Shelter at 2090 Keokuk Street, Lot #39 to David J. Hunter, demolition of buildings 20' x 66' x 10' (hope to save first floor) at 944 Broadway and 20' x 20' x 10' at 956 Broadway both to Steve Froman. Replinger made a motion to approve the permits. Johnson seconded the motion. Discussion was held regarding demolition permits and how to regulate them. Roll call was called with Boone, Richardson, Replinger, Johnson, Eddings, Schlatter, Bierbaum, and Summers voting aye. Motion carried 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 Personnel 5 ILCS 120/2(c)(1). Schlatter 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 made a motion to return to open session. Summers 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

Mayor Woodruff encouraged everyone to pass the word around about Senator John Sullivan's meeting in town on Tuesday, April 16th.

Mayor Woodruff reported that he would miss the next two meetings due to being out of town. He noted that Dave Bierbaum would serve as Mayor at those meetings.

Bierbaum moved to adjourn the meeting at 8:10 pm. Schlatter 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