

Hamilton City Council
1010 Broadway St.
November 7, 2011

The Hamilton City Council met in regular 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”.

Repplinger moved to approve the Minutes of the October 17, 2011 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 thanked Roquette for their donation of money for the candy the City to passed out during the Merchant’s trick or treat.

Mayor Woodruff read a letter from Mediacom stating the Digital Plus Tier and Sports Pak tier will no longer be offered. Beginning October 24th new Mediacom customers may subscribe to the new digital tiers. Also on December 15th IonTV will be moved from channel 14 to channel 17 in the basic cable lineup.

Mayor Woodruff reported Hamilton will hold a Christmas Open House on Thursday, December 8th from 5pm-8pm. He said he would pass along more details as they become available.

Richardson reported that the Finance Committee held a meeting on October 24th. He noted that the committee reviewed expenditures and discussed items that were over the expected percentages.

Richardson reported the committee discussed possibly hiring someone to work on different projects to promote the City. No decision was made at this time.

Richardson asked the Mayor to explain a liquor license violation. Mayor Woodruff reported a local establishment has a liquor license violation. He noted he is still waiting for the State Police to contact him on what they are recommending for the suspension of the license.

Richardson reported that the committee discussed trying to get more tourism events going in Hamilton. He stated that the committee agreed to hold Eagle Days again this year. More information to come as the date gets closer.

Richardson reported that the state income tax is still behind three months at \$54,812.27. He also noted that they have received their final property tax payment for the year at \$396,115.00.

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

2. Selected Check Registers
3. Treasurer’s Report

Bierbaum 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 the Finance Committee will hold a meeting tomorrow night November 8th at 6:30 p.m.

Schlatter reported that the Water and Sewer Committee will hold a meeting on November 3rd. Tim reported on the upper water intake project. He stated that the pipe work is finished and looks good. The earth berm needs to be taken down and clean up completed.

Schlatter reported that they had a 6" water main break on 15th street last week. He noted that the water department repaired it but it was noted that this is a Schedule 40 PVC pipe and we may have to consider an alternative material if we have further problems.

Schlatter reported that the Park Drive Sewer Lift Station pump has been repaired and the obsolete controls replaced. The Water Department will install the pump as soon as possible.

Schlatter reported that the Water Department is having problems with their uniform service from their current vendor. City Attorney, Stan Tucker is going to look into their contract.

Tim Schilson reported they had a water main break in Hillcrest which resulted in a failed boil order sample. He noted that they followed procedure and took a sample upstream and downstream and all samples passed.

Schlatter reported that the state had sent out letters to all CDL holders regarding the new requirement of carrying a medical card. He noted that he has checked into this and it appears that as City employees we will be exempt from this.

Schlatter reported that they had received several applications for the water department position and will keep everyone updated as they review them.

Bierbaum reported the Street Committee held a meeting on October 24th. He noted the Street Department has prepared the trucks for winter.

Bierbaum reported Denny's last day was October 31st. We wish him well in his retirement.

Bierbaum asked that Marvin Tappe's wage increase be added to next month's agenda to be effective as of October 31st.

Bierbaum asked Stan Tucker, City Attorney if he had heard anything more regarding the IDOT Agreement for the intersection stoplights. At a previous Council meeting IDOT's agreement was approved with an added addendum. IDOT has not agreed to our addendum and is removing it from the contract. Tucker reported that he had talked to them and they were going to send a letter. He has not received this yet.

Bierbaum made a motion to authorize City Attorney to contact Mr. Walker regarding this agreement. Repplinger seconded the motion. Roll call was called with Bierbaum, Summers, Boone, Richardson, Repplinger, Johnson, Schlatter and Eddings voting aye. Motion carried with 8 aye votes and no nay votes.

Summers reported that the Health and Safety Committee held a meeting on October 24th.

Summers made a motion to approve hiring Justin Hobby as the new Hamilton Police Officer. Johnson 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. Summers introduced Justin and his wife Keely Hobby and welcomed them to Hamilton.

Johnson reported that the roof repairs are completed. Mayor Woodruff reported that they also took the chimney down below the roof level and capped it off.

Replinger submitted the following demolition/building permits: demolition of home to Lester Harnetiaux at 934 East Highway 136, demolition of shed to David Henson at 151 North 7th street and a building permit for 30' x 17' x 20' carport to Julie Boutwell at 578 South 18th. Replinger made a motion to approve the permits. Johnson seconded the motion. 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.

Replinger reported that we had two building permits that have not been paid for: 16'x 9'x 12' Room Addition to Dennis Stevenson at 570 South 2nd Street and 200' x 30' x 80' New Building to KC Construction for Cores for You at 160 Hamilton Industrial Park. Replinger made a motion to approve these permits pending their payment. 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.

Richardson 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. Bierbaum 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.

Bierbaum made a motion to return to open session. Replinger 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 Woodruff reported that he would like to have someone videotape from Hamilton to Nauvoo and Hamilton to Warsaw and post the scenic drive on the website. He noted that it would be a good way to promote our area.

Bierbaum moved to adjourn the meeting at 8:10 p.m. Boone 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

Approved

Attest: _____
City Clerk