

Hamilton City Council
1010 Broadway St.
April 15, 2013

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

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

Eddings moved to approve the Minutes of the April 1, 2013 meeting. Boone seconded the motion. Roll call was called with Eddings, Schlatter, Bierbaum, Summers, Boone, Richardson, Repplinger and Johnson voting aye. Motion carried with 7 aye votes and no nay votes.

Mayor Woodruff read a letter from Mediacom stating Local Broadcast Station Surcharge will increase \$2.42 and Family Cable will increase \$2.00 on or about May 1, 2013.

Mayor Woodruff announced April 27th from 10am to 2pm the Hamilton Police Department will collect unused or expired prescription medications for safe disposal.

Mayor Woodruff recognized Caleb Adams for his wrestling achievements this year. Caleb listed his awards for the year as follows: Brute Nationals Champion in Independence, MO, 2013 3rd Place @ IKWF State in Rockford, IL (Illinois Kids Wrestling Federation), Finished Regular Season with a record of 33 wins and 1 loss. He was also chosen to compete on Team IKWF @ the National Middle School Duals in Danville, IL. Congratulations Caleb on an awesome season.

Mayor Woodruff read a resignation letter from Bryan Finch stating his last day of employment would be April 12th. Mayor Woodruff thanked him for all his years of service to the City of Hamilton.

Mayor Woodruff read a statement regarding his decision for not seeking re-election and thanked his wife, kids, his church family and the public for their prayers and all their support. The Council Members thanked him for all his service to the City of Hamilton and wished him luck in his future.

Eddings reported the Finance Committee held a meeting on April 9th. He noted that John Kolditz, Danie Reinhardt and Nancy Denton from the library board presented their budget.

Eddings reported the Mayor is donating a pine tree to the library for their landscaping.

Eddings noted that the Mayor requested approving the cost to videotape the River Road. Committee agreed to spend up to \$300.00 on it.

Eddings reported that the committee discussed the bench for the Broadway property. He noted that the Mayor had talked with Hank Summers and Larry Schrader and a heavy duty bench is going to be at least \$1,000.00. After further discussion it was decided we needed to talk with the attorney regarding a lien on the property or quit claim deed.

Eddings reported the committee discussed Part-time Employee wages and Full-time Employee Benefits. There were a few suggestions and are on the agenda for approval.

Eddings reported that the City has received \$2,678.91 in Personal Property Replacement Tax, \$9,635.23 in State Sales Tax and \$23,716.31 in State Income Tax.

Eddings reported the Finance Committee will hold a meeting on Tuesday, April 23rd at 6:00 pm.

Eddings moved to approve the Third Reading of Ordinance #14 Prohibiting Nepotism in Employment. Bierbaum seconded the motion. Roll call was called with Bierbaum, Summers, Boone, Richardson, Repplinger, Johnson and Eddings voting aye. Motion carried with 7 aye votes and no nay votes.

Summers made a motion to approve Ordinance #15 Transferring Certain Funds. Bierbaum seconded the motion. Roll call was called with Summers, Boone, Richardson, Repplinger, Johnson, Eddings, and Bierbaum voting aye. Motion carried with 7 aye votes and no nay votes.

Eddings made a to approve Finance Agenda Items 4-9:

4. Approve Request from Merchants/HCDC for Homecoming Days/Dam Celebration \$700.00 for Advertising
5. Approve Recommended Benefit Change - Starting Rate 95% with Certification/Training, 90% without Certification/Training and 100% after 18 months (Retroactive)
6. Approve Recommended Benefit Change – Increase Bereavement Days from 3 to 4 including in-laws in immediate family
7. Approve Recommended Benefit Change – Increase Mileage from .55 ½ cents per mile to .56 ½ cents per mile (IRS Standard Mileage Rates)
8. Approve to Earmark \$5,000 out of Tourism Line for Homecoming Days/Mississippi River Power 100 Anniversary Celebration
9. Accept the Official Canvass of Election Results

Summers seconded the motion. Roll call was called with Boone, Richardson, Repplinger, Johnson, Eddings, Bierbaum and Summers voting aye. Motion carried by omnibus vote with 7 aye votes and no nay votes.

Schlatter reported that the Water and Sewer Committee will hold a meeting on Thursday, April 25th at 6:30pm.

Bierbaum made a motion to approve McClure Engineering Invoice #9224.(5) for Sewer Treatment Plant Bar Screen Design for the amount of \$3,750.00. Eddings seconded the motion. Roll call was called with Richardson, Repplinger, Johnson, Eddings, Bierbaum, Summers and Boone voting aye. Motion carried with 7 aye votes and no nay votes.

Bierbaum reported that the Street Committee will hold a meeting on Thursday, April 25th at 6:00pm.

Bierbaum thanked Bryan Finch, Dale Richardson, Jim Repplinger, and Steve Woodruff for all their hard work. It has been a pleasure working with all of you.

Summers reported the Health and Safety Committee will hold a meeting on Tuesday, April 23rd at 5:30pm.

Summers thanked Bryan for all his years of service and dedication to the City of Hamilton.

Summers asked City Attorney, Stan Tucker about the Broadway property. Tucker reported that we are in a process of foreclosure for the amount of the cost of the clean up. He noted that he has served the Gray's and are in default but he has discovered that there is a tax buyer and will be contacting them. At this time, the City of Hamilton does not own the property. He noted that he doesn't see a problem if the City wants to go ahead and put dirt down and plant grass seed.

Summers made a motion to Approve Officer Nick Jamerson to attend Clan School in Camp Dodge, Iowa. Eddings seconded the motion. Roll call was called with Repplinger, Johnson, Eddings, Bierbaum, Summers, Boone and Richardson voting aye. Motion carried with 7 aye votes and no nay votes.

Repplinger reported that the Building & Grounds/Permits Committee held a meeting on April 2nd. He noted the committee discussed the city's trash contract and advertising for bids.

Repplinger reported that Jim Reneau was present to talk to the committee regarding the Wind River right away. It was noted that the Township wants an agreement between the owners and the Township that if they do any damage while cleaning or working on the road they would not hold the Township liable. Tucker reported he has not been authorized by the City how they would like him to proceed.

Replinger reported that the committee discussed having a city wide spring clean up. They will look into getting quotes for the cost.

Replinger submitted the following building permits: 16' x 8' Deck to Mike Leffler at 740 Elm, 12' X 9' X 7' Deck & 8' X 12' Driveway to Bob Loter at 461 North 7th Street, 7' x 20' New Roof to Joe Giampolo at 1630 Keokuk Street, 12' x 6' x 12' Storage Shed to Evan Zeckovich at 116 Pleasantview, 10' x 8' Deck to Marion Turner at 79 North 5th Street, 12' x 6' x 12' Storage Shed to Keith Johnson at 470 North 7th, 100' Decorative Fence to Kim Bricker at 1420 Laurel. Replinger made motion to approve the permit. Boone seconded the motion. Roll call was called with Johnson, Eddings, Bierbaum, Summers, Boone, Richardson, and Replinger voting aye. Motion carried with 7 aye votes and no nay votes.

Summers 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 5 ILCS 120/2(c)(1). Bierbaum seconded the motion. Roll call was called with Eddings, Bierbaum, Summers, Boone, Richardson, Replinger and Johnson voting aye. Motion carried with 7 aye votes and no nay votes.

Bierbaum made a motion to return to open session. Richardson seconded the motion. Roll call was called with Bierbaum, Summers, Boone, Richardson, Replinger, Johnson and Eddings voting aye. Motion carried with 7 aye votes and no nay votes.

Mayor Woodruff personally thanked employees and appointed members of the City for everything they have done for him and the City in the eight years he has served as Mayor.

Johnson moved to adjourn the meeting at 8:12pm. Replinger seconded the motion. Roll call was called with Bierbaum, Summers, Boone, Richardson, Replinger, Johnson and Eddings voting aye. Motion carried with 7 aye votes and no nay votes.

Mayor

Approved

Attest: _____
City Clerk