

Hamilton City Council
1010 Broadway St.
June 3, 2013

The Hamilton City Council met in regular session at 7:00p.m. with Mayor Lowman, Eddings, Bierbaum, Johnson, Boone, Schlatter, and Summers answering roll call. Mayor Lowman led everyone in the "Pledge of Allegiance".

Mayor Lowman asked for a motion to approve the Minutes of the May 20, 2013 meeting. Johnson made a motion to approve the Minutes. Summers seconded the motion. With no discussion, roll was called with Eddings, Bierbaum, Johnson, Boone, Schlatter and Summers voting aye. Motion carried with 6 aye votes and no nay votes.

Mayor Lowman appointed Becky Summers and Robert Brobston to the Zoning Commission. Eddings made a motion to approve the appointment. Johnson seconded the motion. Roll call was called with Bierbaum, Johnson, Boone, Schlatter, Summers, and Eddings voting aye. Motion carried with 6 aye votes and no nay votes.

FINANCE & APPROPRIATIONS

Eddings reported the Finance Committee will held a meeting on May 23rd at 6:00 pm. He reported that the Committee along with the city Employees listened to three different proposals for group health insurance. After listening to the presentations, they decided to go with Ron Gooding if he was able to get the same rates for Blue Cross/Blue Shield.

Mayor Lowman reported that they had decided to go with the \$500.00 deductible and providing dental and vision.

Eddings made a motion to approve Selected Check Registers and Treasurer's Report. Summers seconded the motion. With no further discussion, roll was called with Johnson, Boone, Schlatter, Summers, Eddings, and Bierbaum voting aye. Motion carried with 6 aye votes and no nay votes.

Eddings asked City Attorney Stan Tucker to read Ordinance #2 Prevailing Wage. Mayor Lowman asked for a motion to approve the Ordinance. Eddings made a motion to approve all three readings of the Ordinance. Boone seconded the motion. With no further discussion, roll was called with Boone, Schlatter, Summers, Eddings, Bierbaum, and Johnson voting aye. Motion carried with 6 aye votes and no nay votes.

PUBLIC WORKS & BUILDNGS

Bierbaum reported that the Public Works & Building Committee held a meeting on May 28th at 6:00 pm. He noted that the Hillcrest culvert project is complete except for the landscaping. Seargent's Landscaping won the bid for the landscaping and will be beginning soon.

Bierbaum reported that the Street Department spent two days cleaning up at the riverfront but with the rising water we will probably be doing it again.

Bierbaum reported that as soon as it is dry enough and we have good patching the Street Department will begin patching the pot holes.

Biebaum noted that the committee has agreed to advertise for a third full time employee for the Street Department. This will be on the next Council Agenda for approval.

Schlatter reported that the 2nd pump at the 9th Street Lift Station has been repaired and functioning. He noted that they are looking into purchasing a third pump for a back up.

Schlatter reported that the fire hydrant flushing has been completed and there are two units that need to be replaced.

Schlatter reported that the IEPA Evaluation is complete and there were no violations and only a couple small deficiencies in paperwork that Tim has already addressed.

Schlatter reported that the Water Department has asked permission to use Alex Rickard more hours during the summer.

Schlatter made a motion to approve Public Works & Buildings Agenda Items 2-5:

2. Approve WIRC Inv 7 Admin CDAP Grant 4/16 - 5/15- \$2,625.00
3. Approve WIRC Inv 8 Admin CDAP Grant 5/16 – End Project - - \$2,625.00
4. Authorize Mayor & Clerk Sign CDAP Authorization CDAP Pay \$5,250.00
5. Approve McClure Eng Assoc Invoice #9262 - \$2,127.75

Bierbaum seconded the motion. With no further discussion, roll was called with Schlatter, Summers, Eddings, Bierbaum, Johnson, and Boone voting aye. Motion carried by omnibus vote with 6 aye votes and no nay votes.

Johnson reported that the sky lights in the street building are leaking. We will be removing them and replacing them with metal as they are no longer used.

HEALTH & SAFETY

Summers reported that the Health & Safety Committee held a meeting on May 29th at 5:30 pm. She noted that the EMS Coordinator reported to the committee that there has been increased interest in the First Responders Program and will be taking the EMT classes.

Summers reported that the Committee was asked to look again at allowing chickens in town. Mayor Lowman will look over the Animal Ordinance and bring his suggestions to the committee.

Summers reported that there has been a request to change the stop at 17th and Walnut to a 4-way stop.

Summers reported that Officer Jordan Hawes will be getting his taser certification.

Summers reported that the Police Department will be attending grain rescue training in Warsaw on July 13th.

Summers made a motion to approve Health & Safety Agenda Items 2-3:

2. Approve Purchase of 6 Used Airpacks \$3,000 and 1 New Airpack \$4,750
3. Approve Fire Dept Grain Rescue Training \$175/ea (up to 10) – July 13th at Warsaw

Eddings seconded the motion. With no further discussion, roll was called with Summers, Eddings, Bierbaum, Johnson, Boone, and Schlatter voting aye. Motion carried with 6 aye votes and no nay votes.

Summers reported that the Zoning Commission met tonight to hear requests from Iceberg Development for a zoning change and from Jeremiah Hammel for a Variance. She noted that the Commission voted to deny Iceberg Development the zoning change and approved Jeremiah Hammel's Variance Request. The Council will approve the Zoning Commission's recommendation at the next Council meeting.

Summers submitted the following building permits: 220' Fence to Scott McVeigh at 1990 Oakcrest,, 250' Fence to Dustin Marmion at 340 South 17th, 19' L x 13' W Carport to John J. Whitford at 1561 Elm Street, 35' L x 20' W x 6' H Carport to Mike Matlock at Lot 71 River Cross Trailer Park. Summers made a motion to approve the permits as submitted. Johnson seconded the motion. With no further discussion, roll was called with Eddings, Bierbaum, Johnson, Boone, Schlatter and Summers voting aye. Motion carried with 6 aye votes and no nay votes.

It was asked how long a person has to complete a building permit. Summers stated that a resident has one year to complete their building project.

Mayor Lowman asked Tucker to draft a letter to Barnett on Wind River Drive asking them to sign off on a legal document that states the City or the Township will not be held liable if damage is done to their property while road work is being completed in that area.

There being no further business to discuss Lowman entertained a motion for adjournment. Johnson made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 7:20 pm. Boone seconded the motion. All in favor, motion carried.

Mayor

Approved

Attest: _____
City Clerk