

Hamilton City Council
1010 Broadway St.
January 3, 2011

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

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

Summers moved to approve the Minutes of the December 20, 2010 meeting. Johnson seconded the motion. Roll call was called with Weber, Schlatter, Bierbaum, Summers, Boone, Richardson, Replinger and Johnson voting aye. Motion carried with 8 aye votes and no nay votes.

Mayor Woodruff reported that Illinois Department of Transportation will hold an informational meeting on Thursday, January 6th from 4-6pm at the Safford Auditorium. He noted that this is in regard to the approach to the bridge on Highway 136.

Mayor Woodruff reported that the Hamilton Eagle Days will be on Saturday, January 15th at 3:30 pm. It will be held at the Hamilton Community Center at 940 Main Street. He noted that the Illinois Raptor Center will be giving a presentation again this year and will be bringing a Bald Eagle, Golden Eagle, Turkey Vulture, Great Horn Owl and a Red Tail Hawk.

Mayor Woodruff presented the winners of the 2010 Christmas Light Decorations with their awards: Duane & Peggy Swartzbaugh 1110 Laurel – Mayor’s Choice; Tom and Carol Nelson 301 Park Dr – Open Category; Larry & Nancy Sipes 71 North 9th – Religious Theme; Things-N-More 1410 Keokuk Street – Business. Mayor Woodruff congratulated and thanked everyone for making the town look festive this holiday season.

Mayor Woodruff reminded everyone that our next regularly schedule meeting is Tuesday, January 18th due to the Martin Luther King Holiday.

Richardson reported that the Finance Committee will hold a meeting on Tuesday, January 11th at 5:30 p.m.

Richardson asked for approval for the Selected Check Registers and Treasurer’s Report. Summers made a motion to approve them. Boone seconded the motion. Roll call was called with Schlatter, Bierbaum, Summers, Boone, Richardson, Replinger, Johnson, and Weber voting aye. Motion carried with 8 aye votes and no nay votes.

Richardson reported that we have received \$22,432.41 in income tax money that is owed which would make us still five months behind.

Schlatter made a motion to approve Water and Sewer Agenda Items 1-2:

1. Approve Chris & Brent to attend the IRWA waterworks operations training - January 6, 2011 plus meals
2. Approve Tim & Aron to attend Excavator Safety Meeting – February 2, 2011

It was noted that both dates were no cost for the meetings and they were planning on using a city vehicle. Bierbaum seconded the motion. Roll call was called with Bierbaum, Summers, Boone, Richardson, Replinger, Johnson, Weber, and Schlatter voting aye. Motion carried with 8 aye votes and no nay votes.

Schlatter reported that we do have the pump back for the lift station and is installed. We are just watching to see how it is working.

Bierbaum asked City Attorney, Stan Tucker if he had been able to review the IDOT Subordination Surface Rights Public Road Purpose. Tucker reported that he had reviewed and talked with IDOT to have language put into the document allowing us to maintain our water lines and it is ready for approval. Bierbaum made a motion to approve IDOT Subordination Surface Rights Public Road Purpose. Summers seconded the motion. Roll call was called with Summers, Boone, Richardson, Replinger, Johnson, Weber, Schlatter, and Bierbaum voting aye. Motion carried with 8 aye votes and no nay votes.

Summers reported the Health and Safety Committee held a meeting on December 21st. She noted that the committee discussed the upcoming training of Officer Hamma.

Summers reported that Judy Guedesse addressed the committee regarding archery restrictions in town. She noted that the committee is going to check with DNR and look into this further.

Summers noted that the Fire Department is in need of replacing pagers that cost around \$5,000. There are also a couple nozzles that need replaced at the fire department.

Summers reported that at the next council meeting Walter will formally recognize Officer Bell and former Officer Strope with a commendation bar for their investigation into the Duck's Arson case.

Summers made a motion to approve Chief Sellens & Assistant Chief Finch to attend ILEAS Conference on March 6th and 7th. She noted the cost would be \$350 plus hotel and meals. Weber seconded the motion. Roll call was called with Boone, Richardson, Replinger, Johnson, Weber, Schlatter, Bierbaum, and Summers voting aye. Motion carried with 8 aye votes and no nay votes.

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

Replinger submitted the following building permit: 60' x 35' x 9' new home to Fischer Builders for Charles Collins at 217 South 11th. Replinger moved to approve the permit. Johnson seconded the motion. Roll call was called with Richardson, Replinger, Johnson, Weber, Schlatter, Bierbaum, Summers, and Boone voting aye. Motion carried with 8 aye votes and no nay votes.

Johnson moved to adjourn the meeting at 7:15 p.m. Richardson seconded the motion. Roll call was called with Replinger, Johnson, Weber, Schlatter, Bierbaum, Summers, Boone, and Richardson voting aye. Motion carried with 8 aye votes and no nay votes.

Mayor

Approved

Attest: _____
City Clerk