

CITY OF PERRY SPECIAL COUNCIL MEETING

PERRY COMMUNITY BUILDING

SPECIAL CITY COUNCIL MEETING HELD ON NOVEMBER 13, 2008

PRESENT: COUNCILMEMBERS THOMAS CHAPUT, JAMES HUGUELET, MARK LANDERS, CHRISTINE TOBIAS, GREGORY WEKWERT, TERRY WOOD, MAYOR ROSS DELAU, AND CITY CLERK JUDY GUENTHER

ABSENT: NONE

ALSO PRESENT: POLICE CHIEF, Kyle Bawks
PUBLIC WORKS SUPT., Chuck Mudge

Mayor Ross DeLau called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. and led the Pledge of Allegiance.

READING AND APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES:

11-13-08-01

Moved by Wekwert, seconded by Landers that we suspend the rules, waive the reading and approve the minutes of the October 21, 2008 meeting as written. Carried, all aye.

PUBLIC COMMENTS:

Brad Sharlow showed the new Master Plan and talked about the cost of printing vs. copies of CD's. Brad Sharlow received many thanks and compliments for his hard work on this Master Plan.

DEPT. HEAD REPORTS:

DPW Supt., Chuck Mudge, gave an update on the Iron Removal Plant project. We are still on schedule for mid-December to have the plant in action.

Police Chief, Kyle Bawks reminded city residents about the winter parking ban on street right-of ways from November to April and also reminded everyone to keep sidewalks clear of snow and ice when the winter weather comes.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

- Personnel Committee Chairman, Tom Chaput, gave a report regarding interviewing of candidates for the Utility Clerk replacement and talked about updating the Employee Benefit Policy.
- Greg Wekwert gave a Planning Commission update.
- Mark Landers gave a Finance & Ordinance Committee report. Their next meeting will be on November 20th at 6:30pm.

PRESENTATION AND APPROVAL OF THE BILLS:

11-13-08-02

Moved by Landers, seconded by Wood that we approve the bills as presented and that payment be authorized. Carried, all aye.

OLD BUSINESS :

CATERING OF CHRISTMAS PARTY-

The City now has a copy of the license from Gi Gi's of Corunna.

11-13-08-03

Moved by Wood, seconded by Wekwert that we approve the catering for the December 5th Christmas party by Gi Gi's at \$7.50 a plate. Carried, all aye.

S.A.T.A.-

Council discussed the question of putting a transportation millage to a vote of the people at a Special Election next year. Council would like the City Attorney to come to a Council meeting to answer some questions. Tabled to a future meeting.

NEW BUSINESS :

APPROVAL OF THE CITY'S PROPOSED MASTER PLAN-

11-13-08-04

Moved by Wekwert, seconded by Chaput that we adopt the City of Perry Master Plan dated November 13, 2008. Carried, all aye.

EMPLOYEES HAVING FRIDAY AFTER CHRISTMAS OFF-

11-13-08-05

Moved by Huguelet, seconded by Landers that City Hall will be closed for business on the Friday after Christmas Day and non-union employees will be asked to take vacation or personal leave time to have that day off. Carried, all aye.

IDENTITY THEFT POLICY FOR THE CITY-

11-13-08-06

Moved by Chaput seconded by Wood that we adopt the Identity Theft Prevention Program dated November 1, 2008. Carried, all aye.

APPROVAL OF PERSONNEL COMMITTEE'S HIRING DECISION-

11-13-08-07

Moved by Chaput, seconded by Landers that we approve the Personnel Committee's recommendation and hire Dori Boertman as the City's Utility Clerk/Events Coordinator effective December 1, 2008. Carried, all aye.

ANY OTHER BUSINESS THAT MAY COME BEFORE COUNCIL:

Tom Chaput explained the Retirement Plan Amendment, which will be on the next agenda.

COUNCIL DISCUSSIONS & OBSERVATIONS :

- Council would like to extend an invitation to our new Community District Library Director, Jason Schu, to come to a Council meeting in January 2009.
- Huguelet pointed out that some of the City's Committee appointments and/or re-appointments need to be reviewed.
- Wood talked about the parking ban in the downtown district during parades in Perry.

