

CITY OF PERRY REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING

PERRY COMMUNITY BUILDING

REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING HELD ON November 3, 2009

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

ABSENT: NONE

ALSO PRESENT: Supt. Of Public Works, Chuck Mudge
Police Chief, Kyle Bawks
City Treasurer, Jo Ann Velting

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:

11-03-09-01

Moved by Wekwert, seconded by Sharlow that we suspend the rules, waive the reading and approve the minutes of the October 6, 2009 meeting as written. Carried, all aye.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

- Finance & Ordinance Committee Meeting will be next Thursday, November 12, 2009 at 6:30pm
- Planning Commission met last night. Several members attended the "Making Local Ordinances Easier to Understand" seminar. They are still working on the Master Plan update.
- Parks & Property Committee update: Veterans Parks is coming along nicely. There will be a Dedication Ceremony in the near future.

PRESENTATION AND APPROVAL OF THE BILLS:

11-03-09-02

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

COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC:

County Commissioner, Jaime Pavlica was present to give a County Commissioners update.

City Auditor, Mark Campbell was not able to attend tonight's meeting and asked to be on the next agenda.

COMMUNICATIONS:

- Letter was read from Perry Township Clerk regarding the joint parks and properties committee.

OLD BUSINESS :

Jeff Hansen Regarding Lagoon Project-

Jeff Hansen informed Council that the loan for the Lagoon Project was approved, but the City was not eligible for the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009. The City can submit the Lagoon Project again next year. Council felt re-applying next year would be the thing to do while the City continues to build the matching fund money.

Jeff Hansen Regarding Water Search-

The well site feasibility study is being completed and will be given to Chuck Mudge in the near future.

Possible Approval on Sign Ordinance #307-

11-03-09-03

Moved by Sharlow, seconded by Landers that Sign Ordinance No. 307, which has been previously read, be adopted. Carried, all aye.

Update on Dangerous Buildings-

Mayor informed Council that a letter was sent from the City Attorney to the residents of 12510 S. M-52. He also informed them that Mr. Bridges has gone forward and filed action so the City can pursue the clean up.

The agenda was amended to include Department Head Reports after Old Business.

DEPARTMENT HEAD REPORTS:

Superintendent of Public Works, Chuck Mudge announced that hydrants have been flushed and in the spring flushing will be done on a monthly basis. Veterans Park sidewalk, flagpole and lights have been installed.

City Treasurer, Jo Ann Velting said that Dept. Heads have been working on the Personnel Policy. As required for next years audit, she has been getting bids for a company to do an actuary table regarding benefits liability for the City in the future. Council asked her to get some answers regarding MERS.

Police Chief, Kyle Bawks gave stats for the Police Dept. He has hired two new Part-time Officers. Parking limitations are now in effect. (No Parking on City streets and in City Parking Lots from now until April between the hours of 3am to 6am), violators will be ticketed and possibly towed.

NEW BUSINESS:

Possible Approval of 1st Quarter Budget Comparison and Amendments-
City Treasurer, Jo Ann Velting presented the 1st Quarter Budget Report and Amendments for 2009/2010 as follows:

1st Quarter Budget Amendments 2009/2010

FUND	ACCOUNT DESCRIPTION	ADJUSTMENT	NEW BUDGET TOTAL	PAGE
SEWER				
590-548.000-970.000	CAPITAL OUTLAY	\$23,500.00	\$25,000.00	9
TOTAL SEWER		\$23,500.00		
NEW BUDGET TOTAL FOR SEWER			\$302,841.00	

11-03-09-04

Moved by Chaput, seconded by Tobias that we approve the 1st Quarter 2009/2010 Budget Report and Amendments as presented by the City Treasurer.

Mayor's Appointments-

The Mayor appointed Terry Wood to the Zoning Board of Appeals for a term expiring July 2013.

The Mayor reappointed Duane Russell to the Pension Committee for a term expiring October 2012.

The Mayor appointed Jo Ann O'Berry to the Planning Commission for a term expiring January 2011.

The Mayor appointed Jean Holley to the Local Officers Compensation Commission for a term expiring October 2011.

The Mayor appointed James Huguélet to the Local Officers Compensation Commission for a term expiring October 2014.

Possible Approval of Mayors Appointments-

11-03-09-05

Moved by Chaput, seconded by Landers that we approve the Mayor's appointments. Carried, all aye.

Possible Approval of Contract with DF Webmasters-

11-03-09-06

Moved by Sharlow, seconded by Wekwert that we approve and authorize the Mayor to sign the five year Option 2 Contract for the maintenance of the City's website between DF Webs and the City for an amount not to exceed \$5000 with annual payments of \$1000. Carried, all aye.

Possible Approval of Application for Access and Ongoing Use of Public Ways-

No action taken. Council would like a representative at the next Council meeting.

ANY OTHER BUSINESS THAT MAY COME BEFORE COUNCIL:

Sale of the used 2006 Police Vehicle is addressed. There are some problems with the vehicle that could be costly. Alert is willing to purchase the car for \$2500.00.

11-03-09-07

Moved by Sharlow, seconded by Landers that we approve the sale of the 2006 Chevrolet Impala Police vehicle to Alert Emergency Equipment Company for the sum of \$2,500.00 to be taken off the installation of new equipment bill. Carried, all aye.

COUNCIL DISCUSSIONS & OBSERVATIONS:

Discussion on Emergency Services regarding assists to other areas outside the City. Could the City charge Insurance Companies for this service? The Police Chief will check with the City Attorney.

Study for projects with the Township regarding water availability was again discussed.

ITEMS FOR NEXT AGENDA:

1. Personnel Policy
2. Adoption of Restated Valic Retirement Plan
3. MERS
4. Christmas Lighting Contest
5. Christmas Party
6. Employee's Gift Certificates
7. Mark Campbell to present City Audit
8. DayStarr Application
9. Jeff Hansen, Water Feasibility Study

ADJOURNMENT: 9:03 P. M.

Ross A. DeLau, Mayor Date

Judy A. Guenther, City Clerk Date