

CITY OF PERRY REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING

PERRY COMMUNITY BUILDING

REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING HELD ON December 1, 2009

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

ABSENT: COUNCILMEMBERS MARK LANDERS AND BRAD SHARLOW

ALSO PRESENT: CITY TREASURER, JO ANN VELTING
DPW. SUPT., CHUDGE MUDGE
POLICE CHIEF, KYLE BAWKS
CITY ATTORNEY, THOMAS BRIDGES

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:

12-01-09-01

Moved by Wekwert, seconded by Wood that we suspend the rules, waive the reading and approve the minutes of the November 17, 2009 meeting as written. Carried, all aye.

COMMUNICATIONS:

Letter announcing District Library Administration Office move was read.

Notice regarding a Parks & Recreation meeting at Perry Township Hall was read.

Letter of resignation from Christine Tobias was read.

Greg Wekwert read a letter to the editor from the Independent Ad-visor, complimenting the people of the City of Perry.

COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC:

Steve Daunt, former Mayor of the City congratulated Clerk Judy Guenther on her upcoming retirement.

MAYOR & DEPARTMENT HEAD REPORTS:

CITY TREASURER, JO ANN VELTING reported that she mailed tax bills today.

DPW SUPT., CHUDGE MUDGE said that his department has been preparing for the winter season.

POLICE CHIEF, KYLE BAWKS handed out stats for October and November, announced that the new Police vehicle is on the road now, and also requested another part-time officer to use as needed. This would not necessarily mean more hours.

12-01-09-02

Moved by Tobias, seconded by Wekwert that we allow Police Chief Bawks to hire another part-time officer for the Police Department. Carried, all aye.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Greg Wekwert announced that the next Planning Commission meeting would be held next Monday, December 7, 2009 at 6:30pm.

PRESENTATION AND APPROVAL OF THE BILLS:

12-01-09-03

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

OLD BUSINESS:

MERS-

No action taken.

NEW BUSINESS:

Police Equipment Repair/Replace-

12-01-09-04

Moved by Chaput, seconded by Wekwert that we authorize the replacement of an X26, Yellow Taser for the Police Department with a five-year warranty for an amount not to exceed \$550.00 from Taser International. Carried, all aye.

First Reading of Dog Ordinance Amendment-

No action taken.

Mayor's Appointment to SATA-

No action taken.

ANY OTHER BUSINESS THAT MAY COME BEFORE COUNCIL:

The Mayor appointed Flora Parker to the Local Officers Compensation Commission for a term expiring October 2010.

12-01-09-05

Moved by Wekwert, seconded by Tobias that we approve the Mayor's appointment of Flora Parker to the Local Officers Compensation Commission for a term expiring October 2010. Carried, all aye.

COUNCIL DISCUSSIONS & OBSERVATIONS:

Wekwert asked Council to consider having the Perry Police Department merge with the Morrice Police Department. Wood suggested we also look to SSES as a merger.

The dedication of the Veterans' Memorial Park was a big success and Council thanked the Mayor, VFW and AMVETS participants.

The Hometown Country Christmas Lighted Parade will take place on Saturday, December 12, 2009 at 7:00 P.M.

ITEMS FOR NEXT AGENDA:

1. First Reading of Dog Ordinance Amendment #308
2. MERS
3. Acceptance of Tobias resignation
4. Resolution regarding the Lansing Road/M-52 Intersection
5. Lighting Contest winners
6. Alcohol Policy

ADJOURNMENT: 7:58 P. M.

Ross A. DeLau, Mayor Date

Judy A. Guenther, City Clerk Date