

**MINUTES  
PIQUA CITY COMMISSION  
MONDAY, MARCH 3, 2008  
7:30 P.M.**

Piqua City Commission met at 7:30 P.M. in the Municipal Government Complex Commission Chambers located at 201 W. Water Street. Mayor Hudson called the meeting to order. Also present were Commissioners Martin, Vogt, Fess, and Terry. Absent: None.

**REGULAR CITY COMMISSION MEETING**

**Proclamation: Mental Retardation and Development Disabilities Month**  
**Karen Mayer, Superintendent of Riverside of Miami County**  
**Terry Naas, Community Relations & Staff Development Manager**

Blair Brubaker accepted the Proclamation for Mental Retardation and Development Disabilities Month and gave a brief overview of their program.

**Proclamation: American Red Cross Month – Susan Smith**

Susan Smith accepted the Proclamation for the American Red Cross

**Introduction of Southview Neighborhood Association – Mr. Jim Vetter**

Jim Vetter, President of the Southview Neighborhood Association gave a brief presentation on the formation of the Association, and introduced several of the officers that were present

Mr. Vetter stated the Southview Neighborhood Association voiced their strong support of Code Enforcement in the City of Piqua at their meeting by placing it in the minutes.

Mr. Vetter stated the next meeting of the Southview Neighborhood Association would be held on Thursday, March 20, 2008, at 7:00 P.M. at Bennett School and invited citizens to attend.

Mayor Hudson thanked Mr. Vetter for volunteering his services to the Association.

**Miami Conservancy District Activities – Mr. Hans Landefeld**

Mr. Landefeld gave a brief presentation on the activities of the Miami Conservancy District and some of the projects that they have completed and inspections they have done.

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

Moved by Commissioner Fess, seconded by Commissioner Vogt, that the minutes of the February 11, 2008 Piqua City Commission Work Session and the Regular City Commission Meeting of February 19, 2008 be approved. Voice vote, Aye: Terry, Martin, Vogt, Hudson, and Fess. Nay: None. Motion carried unanimously.

**ORD. NO. 5-08 (Amended)**

An Ordinance enacting Chapter 54 of the Piqua Municipal Code to establish a new chapter entitled Right-of-Way Management, which regulates the use of the public right-of-way and establishes a permit schedule

Moved by Commissioner Vogt, seconded by Commissioner Terry, that the Ordinance be adopted. Voice vote, Aye: Martin, Fess, Terry, Vogt, and Hudson. Nay: None. Motion carried unanimously. Mayor Hudson then declared Ordinance No. 5-08 adopted.

**ORD. NO. 6-08**  
**(2<sup>nd</sup> Reading)**

An Ordinance amending Zoning Ordinance No. 42-96 and map of the City for the rezoning of 133 E. Main Street from I-1 (Light Industrial) to R-2 (Two Family Residential)

Moved by Commissioner Terry, seconded by Commissioner Vogt, that the rule requiring the Ordinance to be read fully and distinctly on three separate days be suspended. Voice vote, Aye; Hudson, Terry, Fess, Vogt, and Martin. Nay: None. Motion carried unanimously.

Moved by Commissioner Vogt, seconded by Commissioner Martin, that Ordinance No. 6-08 be adopted. Roll call, Aye: Martin, Terry, Hudson, Fess, and Vogt. Nay: None. Motion carried unanimously. Mayor Hudson then declared Ordinance No. 6-08 adopted.

**RES. NO. R-39-08**

A Resolution reappointing one member to the Tree Committee

Moved by Commissioner Fess, seconded by Commissioner Vogt, that Resolution No. R-39-08 be adopted. Voice vote, Aye: Hudson, Fess, Vogt, Martin, and Terry. Nay: None. Motion carried unanimously. Mayor Hudson then declared Resolution No. R-39-08 adopted.

**RES. NO. R-40-08**  
**(Public Hearing)**

A Resolution approving the application for placement of farmland in an agricultural district filed by Donald E. Apple for parcels N44-076881 and N44-076907 in the City of Piqua

Commissioner Terry inquired as to why the residents have to apply for this, and asked the length of time we approve this for.

Economic Development Director Harry Bumgarner explained the reason for the application and the length of time the application is approved for.

Mayor Hudson stated this is the Public Hearing for this application, and asked if there was anyone present to speak for or against the application. No one came forward to speak for or against the application.

Moved by Commissioner Vogt, seconded by Commissioner Martin, that Resolution No. R-40-08 be adopted. Voice vote, Aye: Fess, Vogt, Martin, Terry, and Hudson. Nay: None. Motion carried unanimously. Mayor Hudson then declared Resolution No. R-40-08 adopted.

**RES. NO. R-41-08**

A Resolution establishing the Civil Citation Appeal Board for the City of Piqua

Commissioner Fess stated the city will appoint two members to the board and will be accepting applications.

City Manager Enderle stated the applications are available on line and in the City Managers Office.

Commissioner Fess asked if someone would explain the purpose of the board.

Law Director Stacy Wall explained the purpose of the board and the duties of the board members.

Commissioner Martin asked what type of appeals of citations would the board be responsible for.

Ms. Wall explained the type of appeals the board would hear and rule on.

There was discussion of the various types of citations that would be issued and how the appeal process would be conducted.

Health & Sanitation Director Amy Welker gave a brief explanation of the Property Maintenance Code, and when the appeals would be required.

Chet Osborne, 406 Staunton Street, voiced his opinion about appointing a Civil Citation Appeal Board at this time, and the number of members that are to be appointed to the board. Mr. Osborne would like to wait until after November when the five Property Maintenance Ordinances are placed on the ballot

Commissioner Fess explained that by appointing this board now it would give us the chance to see how the appeals process works with the current Property Maintenance Ordinances.

Commissioner Vogt stated there would only be two citizens appointed to the board of three members with the one City member being the City Manger. I screen the applicants I choose very carefully stated Commissioner Vogt.

Mr. Osborne stated, "I trust Commissioner Vogt".

Moved by Commissioner Terry, seconded by Commissioner Vogt, that Resolution No. R-41-08 be adopted. Voice vote, Aye: Martin, Terry, Hudson, Fess, and Vogt. Nay: None. Motion carried unanimously. Mayor Hudson then declared Resolution No. R-41-08 adopted.

**RES. NO. R-42-08**

A Resolution establishing a City Commission 2008 calendar of meetings

Moved by Commissioner Fess, seconded by Commissioner Martin, that Resolution No. R-42-08 be adopted. Voice vote, Aye: Hudson, Fess, Vogt, Martin, and Terry. Nay: None. Motion carried unanimously. Mayor Hudson then declared Resolution No. R-42-08 adopted.

**RES. NO. R-43-08**

A Resolution accepting the recommendations of the Tax Incentive Review Council of the City of Piqua for the purpose of the Administration of the City of Piqua's Enterprise Zone Program, as required By Section 5709.85 (C) (1) of the Ohio Revised Code

Commissioner Terry asked if the companies listed maintained the criteria required?

Harry Bumgarner stated yes, all companies that were approved have met the criteria required.

Commissioner Fess asked if all the companies listed were current on their applications.

Mr. Bumgarner stated yes, they are current and some have invested more than they initially stated.

Moved by Commissioner Terry, seconded by Commissioner Fess, that Resolution No. R-43-08 be adopted. Voice vote, Aye: Martin, Terry, Hudson, Fess, and Vogt. Nay: None. Motion carried unanimously. Mayor Hudson then declared Resolution No. R-43-08 adopted.

**Monthly Reports – January 2008 were accepted.**

**Public Comments**

Ralph Pritchard inquired about several items including the salt supply the Street Department has on hand at this time, pot holes that need patched in the city, and the status of the old Piqua Hospital.

Public Works Director Tom Zechman explained how the salt supply was being used, and how they are working on the potholes at this time

City Manager Enderle explained the status of the Piqua Hospital property at this time.

Chet Osborne, 406 Staunton Street, voiced his opinion about the hole next to Paul's Bar, stating isn't it a public nuisance?

City Manager Enderle explained and stated it would be taken care of shortly,

Commissioner Vogt voiced his concern over the weekly shopper paper that is being distributed in driveways, on sidewalks, and curbs and would like to update our legislation on this.

Commissioner Vogt also reminded citizens to pay attention to the issues and get out and vote on Tuesday, March 4, 2008.

Commissioner Vogt stated they have set the date for the Car Show to be held at the Roadside Park on Rt. 66 on July 19, 2008 from 9:00 –4:00 P.M.

Commissioner Martin thanked the Shawnee and Southview Neighborhood Association officers for stepping up to support the associations.

Commissioner Martin also reminded citizens to vote on Tuesday, March 4, 2008.

Commissioner Fess stated she had attended the Piqua City School Pep Rally for support of the School Levy held before the Commission Meeting at the Miami Valley Centre Mall, and reminded citizens to get out and exercise their right to vote on Tuesday, March 4, 2008.

Commissioner Fess commended the Shawnee and Southview Neighborhood Associations on their work. Wonderful things are coming out of these associations and I thank the officers for their support, said Mrs. Fess.

Commissioner Terry stated the Northside Neighborhood Association had about forty-five members at their meeting, and we are receiving a lot of support.

Commissioner Terry also reminded citizens to exercise their right to vote on Tuesday, March 4, 2008.

Mayor Hudson asked if an outside company had to dig up the street to make an underground repair, would they also be responsible for patching the street when done?

Tom Zechman stated yes and further explained the criteria they must follow.

Mayor Hudson reminded citizens to go to the polls and vote on Tuesday, March 4, 2008.

Moved by Mayor Hudson, seconded by Commissioner Vogt, to adjourn from the Regular Piqua City Commission meeting at 8:40 P.M. Voice vote, Aye: Fess, Hudson, Vogt, Terry, and Martin. Nay: None. Motion carried unanimously.

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THOMAS D. HUDSON, MAYOR

PASSED: \_\_\_\_\_

ATTEST: \_\_\_\_\_  
REBECCA J. COOL  
CLERK OF COMMISSION