

**MINUTES
PIQUA CITY COMMISSION
MONDAY, NOVEMBER 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.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Piqua City Commission met at 6:00 P.M. in the Administrative Conference Room for the purpose of an Executive Session.

Mayor Hudson called the meeting to order. Also present were Commissioners Vogt, Fess, and Terry. Absent: Martin.

Moved by Commissioner Vogt, seconded by Commissioner Terry, to excuse Commissioner Martin from the Executive Session. Voice vote, Aye: Vogt, Fess, Terry, and Hudson.

The purpose of the Executive Session is to prepare for and review negotiations on compensation or other terms and conditions of employment for City personnel.

Commissioner Martin came into the Executive Session at 7:00 P.M.

Moved by Commissioner Martin, seconded by Commissioner Vogt, to adjourn from Executive Session at 7:20 P.M. Voice vote, Aye: Martin, Fess, Terry, Hudson, and Vogt. Nay: None.

REGULAR CITY COMMISSION MEETING

Presentation of Proclamation - Family Month in the City of Piqua

Mayor Hudson read the proclamation and presented it to representatives of the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints proclaiming November as Family Month in the City of Piqua.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Moved by Commissioner Martin, seconded by Commissioner Terry, that the minutes of the October 20, 2008 Regular City Commission Meeting be approved. Voice vote, Aye: Terry, Martin, Vogt, Hudson, and Fess. Nay: None. Motion carried unanimously.

ORD. NO. 25-08
(3rd Reading)

An Ordinance amending Ordinance No. 36-66 relating to the Municipal Income Tax

Commissioner Terry asked someone to explain the amendments that were changed. Cynthia Holtzapple, Finance Director explained the various changes to the amendments.

Commissioner Fess stated she has received several calls regarding the city income tax paid by the employees and asked to have it explained. Ms. Holtzapple stated there would not be any changes made at this time regarding the employee tax but they just tried to make it easier to understand.

Public Comment

No one came forward to speak for or against Ordinance No. 25-08.

Moved by Commissioner Vogt, seconded by Commissioner Terry, that Ordinance No. 25-08 be adopted, as amended. Voice vote, Aye: Hudson, Fess, Vogt, Martin and Terry. Nay: None. Motion carried unanimously. Mayor Hudson then declared Ordinance No. 25-08 adopted, as amended.

ORD. NO. 26-08
(2nd Reading)

An Ordinance amending Section 93.04 of the Piqua Code relating to Fire Prevention

Public Comment

Bill Hogston, Greene Street, President of Local 252 Firefighters voiced his concern over the passing of Ordinance No. 26-08 at this time and explained his reason regarding the City Commission adopting this ordinance.

Moved by Commissioner Martin, seconded by Commissioner Vogt, that Ordinance No. 26-08 be given a second reading. Voice vote, Aye: Hudson, Martin, Terry, Fess, and Vogt. Nay: None. Motion carried unanimously. Mayor Hudson then declared Ordinance No. 26-08 be given a second reading.

ORD. NO. 27-08
(2nd Reading)

An Ordinance vacating a portion of Campbell Street public right of way

Public Comment

No one came forward to speak for or against Ordinance No. 27-08.

Commissioner Terry stated she has looked at the property in question, and Mr. Shively should not be impacted in anyway with the vacation of Campbell Street.

Moved by Commissioner Fess, seconded by Commissioner Terry, that the rule requiring that Ordinance No. 27-08 be read fully and distinctly on three separate days be suspended. Voice vote, Aye: Terry, Hudson, Martin, Fess, and Vogt. Nay, None. Motion carried unanimously. Moved by Commissioner Fess, seconded by Commissioner Terry, that Ordinance No. 27-08 be adopted. Voice vote, Aye, Hudson, Terry, Vogt, Martin, and Fess. Nay None. Motion carried unanimously. Mayor Hudson then declared Ordinance No. 27-08 adopted.

Res. No. R-115-08
(Tabled 10-20-08)

Moved by Commissioner Vogt, seconded by Commissioner Martin, to remove Resolution No. R-115-08 from the table at this time. Voice vote, Aye: Vogt, Hudson, Martin, Terry and Fess. Nay: None. Motion carried unanimously. Mayor Hudson stated Resolution No. R-115-08 has been removed from the table.

A Resolution adopting a Long Range Financial plan for the City of Piqua

Commissioner Fess stated she would like to remove the word "comprehensive" from Section 1, the last line, from Resolution No.R-115-08 at this time. All were in agreement on removing the word "comprehensive" from Section 1 in Resolution No. R-115-08 at this time.

City Manager Enderle stated within the Long Range Financial plan there is \$420,000 in revenue enhancements proposed over the next three years, and \$643,00 in expenditure reductions over the next three years.

Mayor Hudson stated there were about 40 attendees at the Work Study Session held on October 28, 2008 and received a lot of public input and thanked all who attended for their comments.

Commissioner Vogt stated he felt it was the best work session they have had with the public input that was received, and took heed to the public opinions. "We are here to listen to you", stated Commissioner Vogt.

Public Comment

Brad Boehringer, 128 Mound Street, stated he felt the work-study session was very productive, and thanked the Commission for listening to the public. Mr. Boehringer also voiced his concern over the traffic citation area and asked the commission to look at it a little longer first.

Moved by Commissioner Vogt, seconded by Commissioner Martin, that Resolution No. R-115-08 be adopted as amended. Voice vote, Aye: Hudson, Terry, Vogt, Martin, and Fess. Nay: None. Motion carried unanimously. Mayor Hudson then declared Resolution No. R-115-08 adopted as amended.

RES. NO. R-116-08

A Resolution awarding a contract for the construction of a 3.0 million gallon flow equalization basin and standby power generator for the wastewater Treatment Plant

Commissioners asked several questions concerning the tank and the need for the change in size and timeframe for building. Acting Public Works Director Amy Havenar explained the changes.

Public Comment

No one came forward to speak for or against Resolution No. R-116-08.

Moved by Commissioner Fess, seconded by Commissioner Vogt, that Resolution No. R-119-08 be adopted. Roll call, Aye: Terry, Hudson, Fess, Vogt, and Martin. Nay: None. Motion carried unanimously. Mayor Hudson then declared Resolution No. R-119-08 adopted.

RES. NO. R-120-08

A Resolution amending the total payment to Camp Dresser & McKee, Inc. for the design and construction phase engineering of a 3.0 million gallon flow equalization basin and a standby power generator project

There was discussion on the amount of increase in the change order.

Public Comment

No one came forward to speak for or against Resolution No. R-120-08.

Moved by Commissioner Terry, seconded by Commissioner Vogt, that Resolution No. R-120-08 be adopted. Roll call, Aye: Martin, Terry, Hudson, Fess, and Vogt. Nay: None. Motion carried unanimously. Mayor Hudson then declared Resolution No. R-120-08 adopted.

Monthly Reports for September 2008 were accepted.

PUBLIC COMMENT

A Manier Street resident voiced concern about a neighbor's dog attacking her dog. Mayor Hudson asked that she speak to Acting Chief Jamison after the meeting.

Bill Hogston, Greene Street, voiced concern about a typo in the Charter Amendment in the legal notice that was published in the Piqua Daily Call. Law Director Stacy Wall explained that the typo was corrected and the correct language is on the ballot for the November 4, 2008 election.

Chet Osborn, Staunton Street, President of the Shawnee Neighborhood Association, thanked Officer Bill Weaver and the DARE Program for helping hand out candy in the Shawnee Neighborhood.

Brad Boehringer, Mound Street, reminded citizens to exercise their right to vote on November 4, and voiced his opinion on the five ordinances on the ballot, and asked citizens to vote no.

Frank Barhorst, S. Wayne Street, voiced his opinion on the five ordinances, stating these are just common sense Ordinances, there is no reason not to vote for them.

Chuck Starrett, Demming Road, POINT Director voiced his opinion on having a twenty-year old young women from the City of Piqua running for the State Senate and continued by saying he is very proud of our youth.

Joe Drapp, Park Avenue, voiced his opinion on the five ordinances on the ballot and stated he is all for everything that is pro-Piqua. Mr. Drapp urged citizens to not walk backwards, but to continue to walk forward and vote yes for the five ordinances on the ballot.

William Mader, S. Downing Street, voiced his opinion on the code enforcement issues and asked the Commission to think about the taxpayers in the city.

Commissioner Vogt commented on the wonderful Gala held at the Fort Piqua Plaza, and how much he enjoyed the Glen Miller Orchestra and the Mills Brothers. Commissioner Vogt stated he was astounded at the way the ballroom was able to accommodate the crowd. Piqua has a real gem with the Fort Piqua Plaza, said Commissioner Vogt.

Commissioner Vogt voiced his opinion on the five ordinances on the ballot, stating these ordinances have a lot to do with our economic development, and urged citizens to vote yes on all five.

Commissioner Martin urged citizens to get out and vote yes on all five or the ordinances on the ballot.

Commissioner Fess stated the Gala held at the Fort Piqua Plaza was spectacular and the music was wonderful and everyone had a great time. Commissioner Fess had a question concerning the licensing of contractors and the use of illegal aliens. City Manager Enderle explained.

Moved by Commissioner Vogt, seconded by Commissioner Martin, to adjourn from the Piqua City Commission Meeting at 8:30 P.M. Voice vote, Aye: Fess, Hudson, Vogt, Terry, and Martin. Nay: None. Motion carried unanimously.

THOMAS D. HUDSON, MAYOR

PASSED: _____

ATTEST: _____
REBECCA J. COOL
CLERK OF COMMISSION

