

**MINUTES
PIQUA CITY COMMISSION
Tuesday January 4, 2011
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 Fess called the meeting to order. Also present were Commissioners Vogt, Martin, Terry, and Wilson. Absent: None.

REGULAR CITY COMMISSION MEETING

Consent Agenda

Approval of Minutes

Approval of the minutes from the December 21, 2010 Regular Piqua City Commission Meeting

Moved by Commissioner Martin, seconded by Commissioner Vogt, that the minutes of the December 21, 2010 Regular Piqua City Commission Meeting be approved. Voice vote, Aye: Wilson, Fess, Martin, Terry, and Vogt. Nay: None. Motion carried unanimously.

OLD BUSINESS

ORD. NO. 35-10 (2nd Reading)

An Ordinance to vacate a public alley right of way

City Manager Enderle stated this is the second reading on the purchase of the property located on either side of the subject alley way and plans to consolidate the parcels into one tract of land. The purpose for combining the parcels is to create one tract of land for the construction of the Power System Service Center

Public Comment

No one came forward to speak for or against Ordinance No. 35-10.

Ordinance No. 35-10 was given a second reading.

ORD. NO. 1-11 (1ST Reading)

An Ordinance amending Ordinance No. 33-66, relating to the Municipal Income Tax

City Manager Enderle stated the purpose of Ordinance No. 1-11 is to provide funds for the purpose of permanent improvements, new equipment, extension and enlargement of municipal services and facilities, capital improvements and operating expenses of the City of Piqua. This ordinance is requested to change the dates to continue the Municipal Income Tax, stated City Manager Enderle. Assistant City Manager/Finance Director Cynthia Holtzaple stated there isn't a financial impact with this Ordinance since the street levy renewal was passed; this is just a housekeeping item.

Public Comment

No one came forward to speak for or against Ordinance No. 1-11.

Ordinance No. 1-11 was given a first reading.

RES. NO. R-2-11

A Resolution authorizing the City Purchasing Analyst to advertise for bids to make certain purchases during the 2011 year

City Manager Enderle stated Resolution No. 2-11 is authorizing the City Purchasing Analyst to advertise for bids to make certain purchases during the 2011 year. We are required to advertise for any capital or operational purchases over \$25,000 in a newspaper of local circulation. At the first Commission meeting each year the Purchasing Analyst asks for the Commissions approval to advertise for these bids.

There was discussion whether there were any items that were pushed back from the 2010 budget to the 2011 budget, Assistant City Manager/Finance Director Cynthia Holtzaple explained.

Public Comment

No one came forward to speak for or against Resolution R-2-11.

Moved by Commissioner Wilson, seconded by Commissioner Terry, that Resolution No. R-2-11 be adopted. Roll call, Aye: Wilson, Vogt, Martin, Terry, and Fess. Nay: None. Motion carried unanimously. Mayor Fess declared Resolution No. R-2-11 adopted.

RES. NO. R-3-11

A Resolution authorizing purchase orders to Chemical Services, F2 Industries, LLC. Marubeni Specialty Chemicals, Huron Lime, Inc. and Univar USA for the 2011 purchase of various Water Treatment Chemicals

City Manager Enderle stated bids were taken on December 17, 2010 and nineteen bids in total were received. The low bidders are recommended for the award of these bids as stated in the resolution. In the past the SWOP4G bid award has been included with this award. The bid was compiled by the Montgomery County Purchasing Office this year, and do not have a bid tab available at this time. We plan to purchase Hydrofluosilicic Acid and Liquid Chlorine this year using their discount. If needed we will prepare a separate resolution for the purchase of these two chemicals at a future commission meeting, said City Manager Enderle.

There was discussion of the various chemicals and how they are chosen and reviewed for quality. Underground Utilities Director Dave Burtner explained how the chemicals are reviewed for quality from the different companies they are purchased from. The purchase of lime from the City of Dayton was discussed, and it was stated the City of Dayton might not have any extra lime to sell the City of Piqua this year. City Manager Enderle stated he would look into it and clarify the information, and send the Commissioners an email with the information they requested.

Public Comment

No one came forward to speak for or against Resolution No. R-3-11.

Moved by Commissioner Martin, seconded by Commissioner Terry, that Resolution No. R-3-11 be adopted. Roll call, Aye: Wilson, Vogt, Martin, Terry, and Fess. Nay: None. Motion carried unanimously. Mayor Fess declared Resolution No. R-3-11 adopted.

RES. NO. R-4-11

A Resolution accepting the resignation of Brian Kellogg as a member of the Energy Board

City Manager Enderle stated this Resolution accepts the resignation of Brian Kellogg as a member of the Energy Board.

Public Comment

No one came forward to speak for or against Resolution No. 4-11.

Moved by Commissioner Wilson, seconded by Commissioner Terry, that Resolution No. R-4-11 be adopted. Voice vote, Aye: Martin, Terry, Fess, Wilson, and Vogt. Nay: None. Motion carried unanimously. Mayor Fess declared Resolution No. R-4-11 adopted.

RES. NO. R-5-11

A Resolution accepting the resignation of Melissa A. Randles as a member of the Tree Committee

City Manager Enderle stated this resolution accepts the resignation of Melissa A. Randles as a member of the Tree Committee.

Public Comment

No one came forward to speak for or against Resolution No. R-5-11.

Moved by Commissioner Terry, seconded by Commissioner Wilson, that Resolution No. R-5-11 be adopted. Voice vote, Aye: Fess, Wilson, Vogt, Martin, and Terry. Nay: None. Motion carried unanimously. Mayor Fess declared Resolution No. R-5-11 adopted.

OTHER

Monthly Reports- November 2010

Monthly Reports for the month of November 2010 were accepted.

Public Comment

Ruth Koon, Park Avenue, came forward asked citizens to help Piqua Catholic School in their efforts to win a \$50,000 grant from Pepsi. Ms. Koon further explained how citizens can support the school in their efforts to win the grant. Piqua Catholic School Community Day will be celebrated on Saturday January 15, 2011 downtown at the Gazebo. Citizens are encouraged to come down and show their support. Mayor Fess encouraged citizens to text their votes in for Piqua Catholic School.

Commissioner Wilson stated he had received several telephone calls regarding leaf pickup, and wanted to let citizens know the City crews are still picking up leaves.

Commissioner Terry stated the Piqua YWCA is hosting the Martin Luther King Celebration on Monday, January 17, 2011 from 1:00 – 2:00 P.M. This is free and open to the public and Commissioner Terry encouraged citizens to attend.

Commissioner Terry stated she wanted to comment on the fact the recall is going forward and voiced her concern and opinion on the matter. Commissioner Terry encouraged citizens to come out and support the Commissioners and to vote "NO" on the recall

Mayor Fess thanked Commissioner Terry and stated all the Commissioners feel the same way.

Commissioner Vogt voiced his concern and comments over the recall going forward at this time, and encouraged citizens to vote "NO" on the recall.

Commissioner Martin stated he has been made aware of various potholes in the City streets. Commissioner Martin encouraged citizens to report potholes as they see them either by contacting a City Commissioner or calling the Street Department to report them.

Mayor Fess stated the recall has put the Piqua Community in a very delicate situation. People all up and down I-75 are looking at Piqua and wondering what is going on. Mayor Fess further explained the Commission has been accused of not listening to citizens, and overspending on the computer system. Four Work Sessions that were open to the public were held before any decisions were made on the purchase of the new computer system. Mayor Fess gave a brief explanation on the purchase of new computer system. Mayor Fess further stated the Commissioners were duly elected and feels the City if Piqua having to hold this Special Election is truly a waste of taxpayer's dollars. The Commissioners care very deeply about the citizens of Piqua and should not be attacked this way, said Mayor Fess. There is a community group of businessmen and citizens called Positively Promoting Piqua (PPP) who are supporting the City and the Commissioners and are trying to drive the negativity out of the Community. A PPP Meeting is scheduled for January 19, 2011 at Hartzell Propeller All Hands Room at 5:00 P.M. and Mayor Fess encouraged all interested citizens to attend.

Mayor Fess stated she is honored to be the Mayor of Piqua, and she cares very deeply for the Community.

Adjournment To Executive Session

To consider pending or imminent litigation.

Moved by Commissioner Terry, seconded by Commissioner Martin, to adjourn into Executive Session at 8:10 P.M. to consider pending or imminent litigation. Voice vote, Aye: Martin, Vogt, Terry, Wilson, and Fess. Nay: None. Motion carried unanimously.

Moved by Commissioner Vogt, seconded by Commissioner Martin, to adjourn from Executive Session at 8:23 P.M. Voice vote, Aye: Martin, Terry, Vogt, Fess, and Wilson. Nay: None.

Adjournment

Moved by Commissioner Vogt, seconded by Commissioner Wilson, to adjourn from the Regular Piqua City Commission Meeting at 8:23 P.M. Voice vote, Aye: Martin, Wilson, Terry, Fess, and Vogt. Nay: None. Motion carried unanimously.

LUCINDA L. FESS, MAYOR

PASSED: _____

ATTEST: _____
REBECCA J. COOL
CLERK OF COMMISSION