

**MINUTES  
PIQUA CITY COMMISSION  
Tuesday, OCTOBER 16, 2018  
6:00 P.M.**

Piqua City Commission met at 6:00 P.M. in the Municipal Government Complex Commission Chambers located at 201 W. Water Street. Mayor Hinds called the meeting to order. Also present were Commissioners Lee, Short, Martin and Vogt.

**ANNOUNCEMENTS**

Ruth Koon, member of Friends of the Piqua Library and Friends of the Piqua Parks stated tickets are on sale for the November 16, 2018 10<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Gala honoring the renovation of the Fort Piqua Plaza. Tickets can be purchased at Alliston Manor Flower Box. Ms. Koon also stated the Friends of the Piqua Parks are beginning their fundraising efforts for the beautification project on the slopes along Ash Street near the railroad overpass. Donations can be sent to P. O. Box 270, Piqua, Ohio 45356. Ms. Koon commended MainStreet Piqua's Beautification Committee on the newly completed wall mural downtown.

D.J. Byrnes, a candidate for State Representative for the 80<sup>th</sup> District came forward to introduce himself. Mr. Byrnes stated he attended the Piqua Government Academy a few years ago and learned a lot on how the city operates and spends their money. Mr. Byrnes further stated he is committed to working on bringing funding to local governments if he is elected.

City Manager Huff stated he encourages citizens to get involved in the Government Academy to learn more about their city government and how it works.

**FALL RESIDENCE PRIDE AWARDS:**

Richard & Therese Borgerding	909 Caldwell
Tiffany & Eddie Harvey	316 Wilson Avenue
Hulme & Company CPA's	308 Water Street
Jerry Hunolt	216 North Downing Street
Michelle & Steve Stahl	1007 W. Greene Street

No one was present to accept the Residence Pride Awards at this meeting.

Mayor Hinds thanked all of the Residence Pride Award winners for making Piqua a more beautiful place to live.

**CONSENT AGENDA**

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

Approval of the Minutes from the September 18, 2018 Regular City Commission Meeting.

Commissioner Martin, moved for the approval of the Consent Agenda, motion was seconded by Commissioner Lee. Motion was carried unanimously, and Mayor Hinds declared the Consent Agenda approved.

**NEW BUSINESS**

**ORDINANCE NO. 14-18 (1ST Reading)**

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 111 OF THE PIQUA MUNICIPAL CODE PEDDLERS AND SOLICITORS

Law Director Stacy Wall, provided the Staff Report.

Stacy Wall, Law Director stated Ordinance No. 14-18 is being amended in Chapter 111 of the Piqua Municipal Code to remove the Panhandling Section with regards to panhandling in the City of Piqua.

**PUBLIC COMMENT**

No one came forward to speak for or against Ordinance No. 14-18.

Moved by Commissioner Vogt, seconded by Commissioner Martin to waive the three reading rule on Ordinance No. 14-18. Voice vote, Aye: Martin, Short, Lee, Vogt, and Hinds. Nay: None. Motion carried unanimously.

Moved by Commissioner Vogt, seconded by Commissioner Lee, to adopt Ordinance No 14-18. Voice vote, Aye: Martin, Lee, Short, Vogt, and Hinds. Nay: None. Motion carried unanimously. Mayor Hinds declared Ordinance No. 14-18 adopted.

**RESOLUTION NO. R-126-18**

A RESOLUTION AWARDING A CONTRACT TO L.J. DEWEESE CO. FOR THE ADA RAMP INSTALLATION PROJECT

Amy Havenar, City Engineer provided the Staff Report.

Bids were received on September 18, 2018, D & F Enterprise was the lowest bidder in response. But after verifying and contacting the references that were submitted, it was determined that it would not be in the best interest of the City to award the contract to D & F Enterprise. Based on the reference contacts it was determined that D & F Enterprise did not meet the lowest responsible bidder requirement. Originally the streets in the Historic East Piqua District were scheduled to be patched, however it became apparent that they needed to be completely resurfaced. Therefore, this will allow the city to go back and install ADA compliant handicap ramps at the intersections along the resurfaced streets, stated Ms. Havenar.

**PUBLIC COMMENT**

No one came forward to speak for or against Resolution No. R-126-18.

Move by Commissioner Martin, seconded by Commissioner Vogt, to adopt Resolution No R-126-18. Voice vote, Aye: Short, Martin, Lee, Hinds and Vogt. Nay: None. Motion carried unanimously. Mayor Hinds declared Resolution R-126-18 adopted.

**RESOLUTION NO. R-127-18)**

A RESOLUTION TO AWARD A CONTRACT TO OUTDOOR ENTERPRISES FOR THE WAYFINDING PROGRAM

Chris Schmiesing, City Planner provided the Staff Report.

Mr. Schmiesing explained what the Wayfinding Signage includes, stating funding was included in the 2018 budget to implement the second phase of the City of Piqua Wayfinding Program. The signage includes primary and secondary directional informational signs, and community gateway signs. The project will begin this year and extend into next year with an anticipated completion date of June 1, 2019, stated Mr. Schmiesing.

Commissioners asked questions concerning the wayfinding signage in the various Parks, and the other locations they will be used in. Mr. Schmiesing provided a handout to the Commissioners with photos of the new signs, and answered all questions. The signs are going to be high-quality, weather-durable signs, some include sandstone bases and masonry that are ment to last for decades. Also as part of the project a significant gateway sign is planned for near the intersection of U.S Route 36/Ash Street and Scott Drive.

Commissioner Lee stated he received several calls from residents dissatisfied with the current entryway sign on Route 36/Ash Street. Commissioner Lee further stated he personally did not have a problem with the signage.

Mayor Hinds stated there are about 100 signs. Mr. Schmiesing replied there are 96 signs.

#### **PUBLIC COMMENT**

Ruth Koon, Friends of the Piqua Parks inquired about the sign at Das Park. Mr. Schmiesing provided additional information on the sign.

Moved by Commissioner Lee, seconded by Commissioner Short, to adopt Resolution No R-127-18. Roll Call vote, Aye: Hinds and Lee. Nay: Vogt, Martin and Short. Resolution No. R-127-18 was defeated by a 3-2 vote. Mayor Hinds declared Resolution R-127-18 defeated by a 3-2 vote.

#### **RESOLUTION NO. R-128-18**

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING A CHANGE ORDER TO THE CONTRACT WITH ENVIRONMENTAL ASSURANCE COMPANY, INC. FOR THE FORMER MO'S LOUNGE ASBESTOS ABATEMENT PROJECT

Chris Schmiesing, City Planner provided the Staff Report.

While performing the original scope of work authorized for the Former Mo's Asbestos Abatement Project the contractor discovered hazardous building conditions and additional asbestos that needed to be removed. A change order was requested for the additional work in the amount of not to exceed \$59,724.00, stated Mr. Schmiesing.

#### **PUBLIC COMMENT**

No one came forward to speak for or against Resolution No. R-128-18.

Moved by Commissioner Martin to adopt Resolution No. R-128-18, seconded by Commissioner Lee. Voice vote, Aye: Lee, Martin, Hinds, Vogt, and Short. Nay: None. Motion carried unanimously. Mayor Hinds declared Resolution No. R-128-18 adopted.

#### **RESOLUTION NO. R-129-18**

A RESOLUTION AWARDDING A THREE YEAR CONTRACT FOR UNIFORM RENTAL AND LAUNDRY SERVICES AND MAT RENTAL TO CINTAS CORPORATION

Cynthia Holtzapple, Finance Director/Assistant City Manager provided the Staff Report.

The City's Blue Collar Union Contract requires the City to provide rented uniforms and laundry services for their employees.

#### **PUBLIC COMMENT**

No one came forward to speak for or against Resolution No. R-129-18.

Motion made by Commissioner Lee to adopt Resolution No. R-129-18, seconded by Commissioner Martin. Voice vote, Aye: Lee, Martin, Hinds, Vogt, and Short. Nay: None. Motion carried unanimously. Mayor Hinds declared Resolution No. R-129-18 adopted.

**RESOLUTION NO. R-130-18**

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER TO PREPARE AND SUBMIT AN APPLICATION TO PARTICIPATE IN THE OHIO PUBLIC WORKS COMMISSION STATE CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT AND OR LOCAL TRANSPORTATION IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM(S) AND TO EXECUTE CONTRACTS AS REQUIRED

Sky Schelle, Water Quality Coordinator provided the Staff Report.

Earlier this year, staff prepared a project nomination form to be considered for \$200,000 from the Ohio Public Works Commission. The funding is needed to replace storm catch basins. In order to be considered complete, Piqua's nomination form needs authorizing legislation granting the City Manager authority to apply for the OPWC funding. This will allow the City to replace over 100 catch basins in 2019, stated Mr. Schelle.

**PUBLIC COMMENT**

No one came forward to speak for or against Resolution No. R-130-18.

Motion made by Commissioner Martin to adopt Resolution No. R-130-18, seconded by Commissioner Lee. Voice vote, Aye: Lee, Martin, Hinds, Vogt, and Short. Nay: None. Motion carried unanimously. Mayor Hinds declared Resolution No. R-130-18 adopted.

**RESOLUTION NO. R-131-18**

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER TO SUBMIT AN APPLICATION FOR FEDERAL FAST ACT FUNDS THROUGH THE MIAMI VALLEY REGIONAL PLANNING COMMISSION

Amy Havenar, City Engineer provided the Staff Report.

The Miami Valley Planning Commission is in the process of soliciting for new transportation projects using MVRPC regionally controlled federal funds. The project identified is Looney Road Resurfacing Project which will utilize STP fund if awarded. Approximately 40% of the project is located outside the City Limits and will be paid for by the Miami County Engineer. The city will also be applying for funding through the Ohio Public Works Commission in 2019 to help offset the local share of the project.

**PUBLIC COMMENT**

No one came forward to speak for or against Resolution No. R-131-18.

Motion made by Commissioner Martin, to adopt Resolution No. R-131-18, seconded by Commissioner Short. Voice vote, Aye: Lee, Martin, Hinds, Vogt, and Short. Nay: None. Motion carried unanimously. Mayor Hinds declared Resolution No. R-131-18 adopted.

**RESOLUTION NO. R-132-18**

A RESOLUTION AMENDING THE CONTRACT WITH A TO Z PROPERTY MAINTENANCE LLC, FOR THE SIDEWALK ADA COMPLIANCE PROGRAM – PHASE II

Amy Havenar, City Engineer provided the Staff Report.

In May of 2018, City Commission approved awarding a contract to A to Z Property Maintenance, LLC (A to Z) for the Sidewalk ADA Compliance Program – Phase II. Once A to Z began removing the existing concrete it became evident that we had to remove more curb/sidewalk than was originally estimated. The city also added some additional catch basins that needed to be replaced that were not part of the original bid, stated Ms. Havenar.

**PUBLIC COMMENT**

No one came forward to speak for or against Resolution No. R-132-18.

Motion made by Commissioner Lee to adopt Resolution No. R-132-18, seconded by Commissioner Martin. Voice vote, Aye: Lee, Martin, Hinds, Vogt, and Short. Nay: None. Motion carried unanimously. Mayor Hinds declared Resolution No. R-132-18 adopted.

**RESOLUTION NO. R-133-18**

A MORAL OBLIGATION TO PAY APPLIED MECHANICAL SYSTEMS FOR THE EMERGENCY HVAC SERVICES PERFORMED AT THE FORT PIQUA PLAZA AND TO ENTER INTO AN AGREEMENT WITH APPLIED MECHANICAL SYSTEMS FOR THE MAINTENANCE OF THE HVAC SYSTEM FOR THE REMAINDER OF THE 2018 YEAR

Bob Graeser, Project Manager provided the Staff Report.

Applied Mechanical Systems is under agreement to maintain the HVAC system within the Fort Piqua Plaza. In August of this year a test was done to find out why the chillers were locking out, and several leaks in the system were found for a cost of over \$10,000. This in addition to the other maintenance costs already incurred puts it over \$25,000 for the year to date. This will cover the work already completed to date as well as any future routine maintenance issues that may arise at the Fort Piqua Plaza thru the end of 2018, state Mr. Graeser.

**PUBLIC COMMENT**

No one came forward to speak for or against Resolution No. R-133-18.

Motion made by Commissioner Short to adopt Resolution No. R-133-18, seconded by Commissioner Lee. Voice vote, Aye: Lee, Martin, Hinds, Vogt, and Short. Nay: None. Motion carried unanimously. Mayor Hinds declared Resolution No. R-133-18 adopted.

**RES. NO R-134-18**

A RESOLUTION TO VACATE AN EASEMENT AND REPLAT A PORTION OF DEERFIELD SUBDIVISION SECTION 10 PLAT AND DEDICATE A NEW EASEMENT

Mayor Hinds excused herself from the Commission Meeting at 6:46 P. M. due to a conflict of interest as she lives in the area of the easement. Vice Mayor Vogt conducted the meeting.

Chris Schmiesing, City Planner provided the Staff Report.

The applicant desires to replat a portion of Deerfield Subdivision Section 10 Plat to combine a 20 – foot-wide strip of common area land extending to/from White Tail Lane with an adjacent lot; and, vacate an existing easement and dedicate a new easement to reflect the adjusted lot line boundaries; and dedicate a new easement and plat a new common area strip of land extending to/from and along the end of Park Avenue to provide for access to the subject common area, stated Mr. Schmiesing.

Commissioners asked several questions regarding the change and the effect it will have on the property owners living in the area.

### **PUBLIC COMMENT**

Holy Trombly, representing the Deerfield Homeowners Association came forward thanked the city for all of the help in getting this work completed. Ms. Trombly provided a brief overview of need for the change in the easements.

Motion was made by Commissioner Martin to adopt Resolution No. R-134-18, seconded by Commissioner Lee. Roll call vote, Aye: Lee, Martin, Hinds, Vogt, and Short. Nay: None. Motion carried unanimously. Vice Mayor Vogt declared Resolution No. R-134-18 adopted.

Mayor Hinds returned to the meeting at 6:50 P.M.

### **PUBLIC COMMENT**

Edna Stiefel, came forward and expressed her disappointment in the playground equipment being removed from Pitsenbarger Sports Complex and not being replaced. It has been two years now and they still do not have any new playground equipment to replace the old that was removed, stated Ms. Stiefel.

City Manager Huff stated they would look into the situation.

Larry Hamilton, Maplewood Drive, came forward and provided information on William Mc Culloch, a US Representative from Piqua from 1947-1973. Mr. McCulloch was noted for introducing and supporting civil rights legislation. Mr. McCulloch served as a model for being civil, respectful, and honorable in the office he served.

### **CITY MANAGER'S REPORT**

City Manager Huff announced there is one opening on the Civil Service Board, applications can be picked up in the City Manager's Office or on line.

### **COMMISSIONERS COMMENTS**

Commissioner Vogt stated the City spent a lot of money last year on the tennis courts at Pitsenbarger and he doesn't see them getting much use. Not sure what the answer is.

Commissioner Martin stated he thought there was a schedule on things being done in the parks. It should be noted that when something is taken down it should be replaced. Mayor Hinds added the swings were taken down at Fountain Park because they were very old. Edna Stiefel mentioned Kiwanis and Das Park also needed attention.

Commissioner Lee congratulated the Residence Pride Award Winners and thanked them for helping to beautify the community.

Commissioner Lee also thanked Ms. Stiefel for bringing the information on the parks to the City's attention.

Commissioner Lee inquired as to the status of the Economic Development Director position. City Manager Huff provided the information.

Mayor Hinds announced Meet the Candidate Night will be on Wednesday, October 24, 2018 from 7:30 – 8:30 P.M. at the YWCA, and will be broadcast live.

Mayor Hinds also announced the Blood Drive between Piqua/Troy will be held on Thursday, October 25, 2018 from 12:00 – 6:00 P.M. at the US Bank and the Piqua High School.

Mayor Hinds mentioned with the new Water Treatment Plant up and running, that Piqua has the best water in the State of Ohio.

**ADJOURNMENT**

Motion was made by Commissioner Martin to adjourn from the Regular City Commission Meeting into Executive Session at 7:10 P.M. motion seconded by Commissioner Vogt. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion was made by Commissioner Martin to adjourn from the Executive Session at 7:45 P.M. motion seconded by Commissioner Lee. Motion carried unanimously

Motion was made by Commissioner Vogt to adjourn from the Regular City Commission Meeting at 7:45 P.M. motion seconded by Commissioner Lee. Motion carried unanimously.

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KATHRYN B. HINDS, MAYOR

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

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