Piqua City Commission met in Special Work Session at 5:00 P.M. in the Municipal Government Complex City Commission Chambers, 201 W. Water Street. Mayor Hudson called the meeting to order at 5:00 P.M. Also present were Commissioners Martin, Vogt, Terry and Fess. Absent: None. Also in attendance: City Manager Fred Enderle, and Department Heads.

REVIEW OF 2007 GOALS

City Manager Enderle went over the 2007 Goals and gave a brief synopsis of each category.

Goal #1 Economic Development

1.1 Pursue Fort Piqua Hotel opportunities.
1.2 Market available industrial sites.
1.3 Ensure adequate inventory of shovel ready sites.
1.4 Attract developers to invest in Piqua.
1.5 Pursue foreign investment of Chinese, Japanese, and German investors.
1.6 Create economic opportunities in healthcare & other industries utilizing our Education Resources.
1.7 Address the River Corridor as a centerpiece in the comprehensive plan, downtown and neighborhood revitalization.

Goal #2 Improve Physical Appearance

2.1 Revitalize declining neighborhoods.
2.2 Improve property maintenance.
2.3 Improve city entryways.
2.4 Pursue opportunities to engage the community and develop partnerships for neighborhood revitalization and clean up.
2.5 Improve overall community aesthetics.

Goal #3 Update the City’s Comprehensive Plan

3.1 Ensure the Plan provides a long-range vision for the City.
3.2 Engage all sectors of the community in development of the Plan.
3.3 Ensure the Plan addresses the essential needs of the community.
3.4 Ensure the Plan is implementable.

Goal #4 Maintain and Improve the City’s Infrastructure

4.1 Ensure the City maintains a long-range vision for infrastructure planning and improvement.

Goal #5 Enhance Public Safety

5.1 Ensure the Safety Departments are equipped with the resources to do the job.
5.2 Enhance and develop a community partnership to assist addressing public safety needs of the community.

Goal #6 Improve Public Awareness of City Affairs

6.1 Improve communications with the public.
REVIEW NEW GOALS FOR 2008

City Manager Enderle went over and explained the projected goals for 2008.

There was discussion of several of the areas

DISCUSSION

City Manager Enderle asked if the Commissioners would like to add anything to the Goals for 2008.

Mayor Hudson stated he would like to see the clean up of Franz Pond, Echo Lake, and Swift Run included in the 2008 Goals.

City Manager Enderle stated it could be included in the Community Appearance Strategy.

There was discussion on how the cleanup of Franz Pond, Echo Lake, and Swift Run can be done and by whom. It was suggested that maybe citizens or adjoining property owners could be involved in the process.

City Manager Enderle asked if all were in agreement to add the cleanup of Franz Pond, Echo Lake, and Swift Run to the 2008 Goals.

All present stated they were in agreement to add the cleanup of Franz Pond, Echo Lake, and Swift Run to the 2008 Goals.

There was discussion of the code enforcement issues, and the use of loans and groups to help with violations on properties.

There was discussion of the soft billing for the ambulance fees, and how the Springcreek and Washington Townships billed for their ambulance fees.

Mayor Hudson thanked everyone for attending.

Moved by Mayor Hudson, seconded by Commissioner Vogt, to adjourn from the Piqua City Commission Work Session at 6:40 P.M. Voice vote, Aye: Hudson, Terry, Vogt, Fess, and Martin. Nay: None. Motion carried unanimously.

THOMAS D. HUDSON, MAYOR

PASSED: ________________________

ATTEST: _________________________

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CLERK OF COMMISSION