

**MINUTES**  
**PIQUA CITY COMMISSION WORK SESSION**  
**March 17, 2009**  
**4:00 P.M.**  
**201 WEST WATER STREET**  
**PIQUA, OHIO 45356**

Piqua City Commission met in a Special Work Session in the Commission Chambers in the Municipal Government Complex, 201 W. Water Street for a work session. Mayor Hudson called the meeting to order at 4:00 P.M. Also present were Commissioners Martin, Fess, and Terry. Absent: Vogt. Also in attendance: City Manager Fred Enderle, City Engineer Amy Havenar, Finance Director Cynthia Holtzapple, Water Plant Superintendent Ron Klima, Assistant Water Superintendent Todd Brandenburg.

Moved by Commissioner Martin, seconded by Commissioner Terry to excuse Commissioner Vogt from the March 17, 2009 Piqua City Commission Work Study Session. Voice vote, Aye: Fess, Martin, Terry, and Hudson. Nay: None.

Purpose of the Special Meeting is to discuss Water Plant Feasibility Study – Amy Havenar and Todd Brandenburg

City Manager Fred Enderle gave a brief overview of the three options explored previously.

City Manager Enderle stated Patrick Titterington, Safety Services Director of Troy, sent back two comments from the discussion at the previous work-study session on February 23, 2009.

- Discussion of the bulk water rates
- Exploration and new development of well fields for Piqua

This analysis was not put together to cast Troy in the most favorable light, it was put together to reflect what the issues and concerns are for the City of Piqua, said City Manager Enderle. This new information was sent out previously for Commissioner's review for a plan to drop the bulk water rate by 20% with two new scenarios to consider.

There was discussion of cost of the bulk water rates from Troy, what type of water plant would be required if Piqua chose to build, would there be any advantage to having a regional facility, and what would the EPA regulations in the future.

Questions were asked concerning the purchase of water from Troy, would Troy have the capacity to supply or add additional lines if a large water user company were to locate in Piqua. There was also concern over the possibility of one of the aqua fur in Troy being contaminated at this time. Tim Ray, Superintendent of the Troy Water Plant stated they are not under any directive from the EPA for any contamination at this time, but however across the river at the Brown Bridge or Kimberly Clark site they have been put on the national clean-up site, and explained the reason for concern.

After a lengthy discussion the majority of the Commissioners present were all in agreement that ownership is important, but would consider being an equal partner with Troy if Troy would consider it. But they would like to have some control over Piqua's destiny citing it is very important. In the 20-year long range plan the difference of the \$1.3 million dollars wasn't that much different than the option for Piqua to own and operate their own water plant.

City Manager Enderle summarized what the Commission would like to do.

- Come back at the April 6 City Commission meeting with legislation necessary to authorize the City to go forward at this time.
- Finish the distribution study
- Continue well field exploration
- Property options

Moved by Commissioner Martin, seconded by Commissioner Fess, to adjourn from the Piqua City Commission Work Session at 4:55 P.M. Voice vote, Aye: Martin, Terry, Hudson and Fess. Motion carried unanimously.

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THOMAS D. HUDSON, MAYOR

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

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