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 Martin, Terry, Wilson, and Vogt. Absent: None.

JAN MULDER AWARD: PRESENTED TO MR. JIM MC MAKEN  
PRESENTER: MS. KATHY SHERMAN, PRESIDENT OF PIQUA AREA CHAMBER OF COMMERCE

Chamber President Kathy Sherman and Nancy Mulder widow of Officer Mulder came forward and provided a brief background on the Jan Mulder Award. Ms. Sherman also summarized the day that Kevin Pryfoogle had his heart attack out in the front of the YMCA. If it were not for the quick action of Jim McMaken and several others Mr. Pryfoogle may not have survived.

Mr. Pryfoogle stated he could not thank all who were there that eventful day for all of their support in his time of need, and especially Jim McMaken for his quick reaction and getting the defibulator in time. Mr. Pryfoogle stated he was working in the Upper Valley Rehab four weeks after his heart attack, and back out running on the Piqua Bike Path in twelve weeks.

Nancy Mulder, widow of Officer Mulder stated she is grateful for what the Piqua Chamber has done to keep her husband's memory alive. It has been a great comfort to her and for what he stood for as he gave his life for the community. Ms. Mulder stated she is glad the Chamber chose this way to honor him. Ms. Mulder congratulated Jim McMaken for receiving the award.

Mayor Fess stated Office Jan Mulder was a great officer who gave his life for the citizens of the community. Mayor Fess thanked Ms. Mulder for coming and being a part of the presentation.

REGULAR CITY COMMISSION MEETING

Consent Agenda

Approval of Minutes

Approval of the minutes from the August 5, 2014 Piqua City Commission Meeting.

RES. NO. R-89-14

A resolution appointing a member to the Park Board


NEW BUSINESS

ORD. NO. 9-14 (2nd Reading)

An Ordinance to levy Special Assessments to pay the cost of demolition assessments per terms of Moving Ohio Forward Grant Agreement

Justin Sommer Assistant City Manager/Economic Development Director provided the Staff Report.

The City of Piqua entered into a grant agreement (Moving Ohio Forward) with the Miami County
Board of Commissioners for the demolition of blighted properties. The terms of the grant were that the City would demolish up to ten structures and assess one half of the demolition cost to the property owner and assessed to the property taxes.

Ordinance No. 9-14 was given a second reading.

**ORD. NO. 10-14 (2nd READING)**

An Ordinance to levy Special Assessments to pay for the cost of nuisance abatement assessment

Health & Sanitation Director Amy Welker provided the Staff Report.

This is the annual assessments that abates nuisance conditions on properties including mowing high grass, removing trash, trimming trees, and demolishing structures according to city code. The cost of the abatement is charged back to the property owner. If the property owner fails to pay the abatement cost then the costs are certified to the county auditor to be placed on the property taxes. The auditor only accepts these assessments once per year and are due to the Miami County Auditor by September 8, 2014.

Since the last Commission Meeting 4 property owners have come forward and paid, stated Ms. Welker.

Ordinance No. 10-14 was given a second reading.

**NEW BUSINESS**

**ORD. NO. 11-14 (1ST Reading)**

An Emergency Ordinance to make appropriation for the City of Piqua, Ohio for the year 2014

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

Each year about this time a supplemental appropriations is placed on the agenda for approval as the 2014 annual budget is present to the Commission in early November 2013 before all project timing and costs are known for sure. Sometimes projects are expected to be completed will carry over into 2014. Also during the fiscal year, unexpected expenses do occur and this supplemental appropriation allows us to more accurately reflect these changes in our financial statements, stated Ms. Holtzapple.

Based on the need for the Departments to meet grant and project commitments we are requesting the three reading rule be waived and that Ordinance No. 11-14 be passed this evening, stated Ms. Holtzapple.

Moved by Commissioner Vogt, seconded by Commissioner Martin, that the rule requiring Ordinance No. 11-14 be read fully and distinctly on three separate days be waived. Roll call; Aye, Terry, Wilson Vogt, Martin, and Fess. Nay, None.

Moved by Commissioner Vogt, seconded by Commissioner Martin, that Ordinance No. 11-14 be adopted. Roll call: Aye, Wilson, Martin Fess, Vogt and Terry. Nay, None. Motion carried unanimously. Mayor Fess then declared Ordinance No. 11-14 adopted.

**ORD. NO. 12-14 (4th Reading)**

An Ordinance enacting and adopting a supplement to the Code of Ordinances for the City of Piqua

Law Director Stacy Wall provided the Staff Report.
Ms. Wall stated American Legal Publishing Corporation has recommended the revision or addition of certain code sections of the Code of Ordinance of the City of Piqua. After the City Commission passes an Ordinance, the Clerk of Commission sends it to American Legal Publishing to be included in the next supplement. American Legal makes the revision and sends it back for review by the Clerk and the Law Director before sending the new supplement. Ordinance No. 12-14 accepts the 2013 supplement to the Code of Ordinance.

Ordinance No. 12-14 was given a first reading.

RES. R-90-14

A Resolution establishing “Trick or Treat/Beggars’ Night” in the City of Piqua

City Manager Huff provided the Staff Report.

Each year Miami County sets the date for all of Miami County for Trick or Treat/Beggars’ Night. This year the date is Thursday October 30, 2014 from 6:00 P.M. to 8:00 P.M.


MONTHLY REPORTS

Monthly reports were accepted.

PUBLIC COMMENT

No one came forward to speak at this time.

CITY MANAGER’S REPORT

City Manager Huff announced there are four openings on the Stormwater Review Board. And there is one opening on the Tree Committee.

City Manager Huff stated paving will begin on Main Street beginning on Wednesday with the work being done in the evening hours beginning at 7:00 P.M. through 7:00 A.M.

City Manager Huff announced the Chamber of Commerce Business After Hours will be held on Thursday, August 21 at Harmony Systems. This will also be a special day for Harmony as they are celebrating 20 years in business in the City of Piqua.

COMMISSIONERS COMMENTS

Commissioner Vogt reminded citizens that school is back in session and to watch out for the children on the sidewalks and crossing the streets to the bus.

Commissioner Vogt congratulated Jim McMaken on receiving the Jan Mulder Award. Commissioner Vogt stated his daughter received the award in 1977.

Commissioner Terry stated she and a friend Darlene Bayman were challenged to do the Ice Bucket Challenge and showed a video of them doing it. Commissioner Terry challenged Commissioners Vogt, Wilson, Martin, and Mayor Fess to do the Ice Bucket Challenge. Donations can be made to ALS Association in lieu of doing the challenge, stated Commissioner Terry.

Commissioner Terry congratulated Jim McMaken on receiving the Jan Mulder Award stating she is very proud of him and is happy that Kevin Pryfogle is healthy again.
Commissioner Wilson congratulated Jim McMaken stating this is the second time he has received the Jan Mulder Award.

Mayor Fess congratulated Jim McMaken stating she is very glad he was in the right place at the right time to help Kevin Pryfogle. Mayor Fess stated she was happy to have Nancy Mulder present to present the Jan Mulder Award.

Moved by Commissioner Vogt, seconded by Commissioner Martin, to adjourn from the Regular City Commission Meeting at 8:00 P.M Voice vote, Aye: Fess, Vogt, Martin, Terry, and Wilson. Nay, None. Motion carried unanimously.

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LUCINDA L. FESS, MAYOR

PASSED: _______________________

ATTEST: _______________________
REBECCA J. COOL
CLERK OF COMMISSION