Piqua City Commission met at 7:30 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 Wilson, Vogt, Terry, and Martin. Absent: None.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

No one came forward to speak at this time.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Move to Executive Session to prepare for and review negotiations on compensation or other items and conditions of employment for City personnel.

Moved by Commissioner Terry, seconded by Commissioner Martin to move into Executive Session at 7:32 P.M. Roll call, Aye: Martin, Terry, Wilson, Hinds and Vogt. Nay, None.

Moved by Commissioner Martin, seconded by Commission Wilson to adjourn from Executive Session and move into the Regular City Commission Meeting at 8:30 P.M. Voice vote, Aye: Vogt, Terry, Martin, Wilson and Hinds. Nay, None.

REGULAR CITY COMMISSION MEETING

Consent Agenda

Approval of Minutes

Approval of the minutes from the December 6, 2016 Regular Piqua City Commission Meeting.

Moved by Commissioner Martin, seconded, by Commissioner Wilson, to approve the Consent Agenda. Voice vote, Aye: Martin, Wilson, Hinds, Terry, and Vogt. Nay: None. Motion carried unanimously.

OLD BUSINESS

ORD. NO. 14-16 (3rd Reading)
An Ordinance to make appropriations for the City of Piqua, Ohio for the year 2017

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

The City is required to present and pass the 2017 Annual Budget by the end of the year. This is the second of three reading of Ordinance 14-16. The Commission reviewed the Department Budgets at the Budget Review Meeting on November 16, 2016. This is the final reading and has been amended slightly since the last reading.

Several questions were raised by Commissioner Wilson, Ms. Holtzapple and City Manager Huff provided the information.

PUBLIC COMMENT

No one came forward to speak for or against Ordinance No. 14-16 at this time.
Moved by Commissioner Wilson, seconded by Commissioner Terry, that Ordinance No. 14-16 be adopted. Roll call, Aye: Martin, Terry, Hinds, Wilson, and Vogt. Nay, None. Motion carried unanimously.

**ORD. NO. 15-16** (2nd Reading)
An Ordinance repealing Schedule A of Chapter 33 of the Piqua Code and adopting a new Schedule A of Chapter 33 of the Piqua Code, relating to wages of certain Municipal Employees

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

Schedule A cover the salaries of the full-time non-union employees. There are 6 steps in each classification. Each step has been increased by 2%. This is the same increase approved by the City Commission in the Police (FOP and OPBA) contrast, stated Ms. Holtzapple.

**PUBLIC COMMENT**

No one came forward to speak for or against Ordinance No. 15-16 at this time.

Moved by Commissioner Vogt, seconded by Commissioner Martin, that the rule requiring Ordinance No. 15-16 be read fully and distinctly on three separate days be suspended. Roll call vote, Aye: Martin, Wilson, Terry, Vogt, and Hinds. Nay, None. Motion carried unanimously.

Moved by Commissioner Martin, seconded by Commissioner Wilson, that Resolution No. 15-16 be adopted. Roll call vote Aye: Martin, Terry, Hinds, Wilson, and Vogt. Nay: None. Motion carried unanimously.

**ORD. NO. 16-16** (2nd Reading)
An Ordinance repealing Schedule A-1 of Chapter 33 of the Piqua Code and adopting a new Schedule A-1 of Chapter 33 of the Piqua Code, relating to wages of certain Municipal Employees

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

Schedule A-1 covers part-time, seasonal, and temporary employees. The wages for these Employees will be adjusted by 2% as that afforded to other city employees, stated Ms. Holtzapple.

**PUBLIC COMMENT**

No one came forward to speak for or against Ordinance No. 16-16 at this time.

Moved by Commissioner Terry, seconded by Commissioner Wilson, that the rule requiring Ordinance No. 16-16 be read fully and distinctly on three separate days be suspended. Roll call vote, Aye: Terry, Wilson, Martin, Vogt, and Hinds. Nay, None. Motion carried unanimously.

Moved by Commissioner Terry, seconded by Commissioner Wilson, that Resolution No. 16-16 be adopted. Roll call vote Aye: Terry, Hinds, Wilson, Vogt, and Martin. Nay: None. Motion carried unanimously.

**ORD. NO. 17-16** (2nd Reading)
An Ordinance repealing Chapter 33.08 and enacting a New Chapter 33.08 of the Piqua Code, relating to employee insurance

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

This Ordinance updates Chapter 33.08 of the Piqua Code to set the new benefit year for employee health insurance to 2017, and includes an additional category for employees to participate to receive wellness credits. Everything else will remain the same, stated Ms.
Holtzapple.

PUBLIC COMMENT

No one came forward to speak for or against Ordinance No. 17-16 at this time.

Moved by Commissioner Wilson, seconded by Commissioner Martin, that the rule requiring Ordinance No. 17-16 be read fully and distinctly on three separate days be suspended. Roll call vote, Aye: Martin, Wilson, Terry, Vogt, and Hinds. Nay, None. Motion carried unanimously.

Moved by Commissioner Wilson, seconded by Commissioner Terry, that Resolution No. 17-16 be adopted. Roll call vote, Aye: Hinds, Wilson, Vogt, Martin, and Terry. Nay: None. Motion carried unanimously.

NEW BUSINESS

ORD. NO. 18-16 (1st Reading)
An Emergency amended Ordinance to make Appropriations for the City of Piqua, Ohio for the Year 2016

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

This is the final appropriations for the 2016 year. This is the actual expenditures for goods and services or other government functions performed in the calendar year 2016, stated Ms. Holtzapple.

PUBLIC COMMENT

No one came forward to speak for or against Ordinance No. 18-16 at this time.

Moved by Commissioner Martin, seconded by Commissioner Vogt, that the rule requiring Ordinance No. 18-16 be read fully and distinctly on three separate days be suspended. Roll call vote, Aye: Martin, Wilson, Terry, Vogt, and Hinds. Nay, None. Motion carried unanimously.

Moved by Commissioner Terry, seconded by Commissioner Martin, that Resolution No. 18-16 be adopted. Roll call vote, Aye: Wilson, Vogt, Martin, Terry, and Hinds. Nay: None. Motion carried unanimously.

ORD. NO. 19-16 (1st Reading)
An Ordinance amending Sections 53.01 and 53.07 of the Piqua Code, relating to Water Rates and new service

City Manager Huff provided background information further explaining the need for amending the water rates at this time. Mayor Hinds provided additional information on why the city was required to build the Water Plant by the EPA.

Commissioner Wilson provided additional information on the reason to build the new Water Plant.

PUBLIC COMMENT

No one came forward to speak for or against Ordinance No. 19-16 at this time.

After a brief discussion Ordinance No. 19-16 was given a first reading.

ORD. NO. 20-16 (1st Reading)
An Ordinance amending Sections 51.46 and 51.81 of the Piqua Code, relating to Wastewater
Rates and new service

City Manager Huff provided background information further explaining the need for amending the wastewater rates at this time. Cynthia Holtzapple, Assistant City Manager/Finance Director provided additional information on why the city was required to build the new Wastewater Plant by the EPA. As always the overall goal of the City is to keep wastewater rates as low as possible, stated Ms. Holtzapple.

Commissioner Vogt voiced his concern over the many senior citizens who live on a fixed income with Social Security and asked if the rates compared to other communities around Piqua.

Mayor Hinds stated citizens can contact the City Manager office to inquire about the rate increase chart.

PUBLIC COMMENT

No one came forward to speak for or against Ordinance No. 20-16 at this time.

After a brief discussion Ordinance No. 20-16 was given a first reading.

RES. NO. 130-16
A Resolution authorizing transfers of cash from the General Fund to the other funds for the fiscal year 2016

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

The Auditor of State of Ohio Compliance Supplement required that "Transfers require a Resolution authorizing the transfers", and this is the resolution authorizing the transfers, stated Ms. Holtzapple.

PUBLIC COMMENT

No one came forward to speak for or against Resolution No. R-130-16 at this time.

Moved by Commissioner Terry, seconded by Commissioner Martin that Resolution No. R-130-16 be adopted. Voice vote, Aye: Vogt, Wilson, Hinds, Martin, and Terry. Nay: None. Motion carried unanimously.

RES. NO. 131-16
A Resolution authorizing transfers of cash from the General Fund to the other funds for the fiscal year 2017

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

The Auditor of State of Ohio Compliance Supplement required that "Transfers require a Resolution authorizing the transfers", and this is the resolution authorizing the transfers, stated Ms. Holtzapple.

PUBLIC COMMENT

No one came forward to speak for or against Resolution R-131-16 at this time.


RES. NO. R-132-16
A Resolution authorizing a purchase order to Miami Valley Risk Management Association for
purchase of insurance

Law Director Stacy Wall provided the Staff Report.

The Commission passed Resolution No. R-16-02 on January 22, 2002 awarding a contract to Miami Valley Risk Management Association, Inc. for the purpose of entering into a risk management pool for property and liability insurance. It is the desire of the City of Piqua to continue participation in the risk management pool in the calendar year 2017 through the Miami Valley Risk Management Association for property and liability insurance, stated Ms. Wall.

Ms. Wall noted there was a slight decrease this year in the premium.

Public Comment

No one came forward to speak for or against Resolution No. R-132-16 at this time.


RES. NO. R-133-16
A Resolution acquiring the services of Master Maintenance to provide professional cleaning services for the City of Piqua

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

Quotes were received from three different companies and Master Maintenance has the best price, good references, and has been cleaning the Underground Utilities facility for the last several months and the city is satisfied with their services.

PUBLIC COMMENT

No one came forward to speak for or against Resolution No. R-133-16 at this time.


RES. NO. R-134-16
A Resolution authorizing the City Manager to apply for City Membership to American Municipal Power, Inc.

Ed Krieger, Power System Director provided the Staff Report.

The American Municipal Power, Inc. purpose is for providing the generation, transmission and distribution of electric power and energy to its members a lower costs. Section 30.01 of the Piqua Code require Commission approval to join trade organizations with annual membership dues in excess of $25,000. This was presented to the Energy Board and unanimously approved at the November 22, 2016 meeting stated Mr. Krieger.

PUBLIC COMMENT

No one came forward to speak for or against Resolution No. R-134-16 at this time.

RES. NO. R-135-16
A Resolution retaining the services of Cooperative Response Center, Inc. to provide professional customer call answering and dispatch services for the Power System

Ed Krieger, Power System Director, provided the Staff Report.

In March of 2007, the Power System began utilizing the Cooperative Response Center to provide after-hours call answering and dispatch services. This was necessitated when the steam and hot water system was shut down in December of 2006. This resulted in the elimination of shift operators who provided these same services stated Mr. Krieger. The Energy Board members unanimously recommended to retain the services of the Cooperative Response Center for the year 2017.

PUBLIC COMMENT
No one came forward to speak for or against Resolution No. R-135-16 at this time.


RES. NO. R-136-16
A Resolution authorizing the City Purchasing Agent to purchase #2 fuel oil on the open and spot market

Ed Krieger, Power System Director provided the Staff Report.

The Power System purchases #2 fuel oil at various times during the years, depending on how often the combustion turbine generators are operated. Previous years quotes were taken prior to placing an order. It is necessary for the Power System to purchase #2 fuel oil as needed for 2017 from one or more suppliers. The Energy Board unanimously recommended the City Commission approve these purchase for 2017 as needed, stated Mr. Krieger.

PUBLIC COMMENT
No one came forward to speak for or against Resolution No. R-136-16 at this time.


RES. NO. R-137-16
A Resolution retaining the services of Sawvel and Associates to provide professional Consulting and engineering service for the Power System

Ed Krieger, Power System Director provided the Staff Report.

Sawvel and Associates have proven to be readily available, as well as an invaluable resource to assist the Power System with making difficult decisions related to the long-term interests of the Power System, stated Mr. Krieger.

PUBLIC COMMENT
No one came forward to speak for or against Resolution No. R-137-16 at this time.

RES. NO. R-138-16
A Resolution authorizing temporary loan of cash from the General Fund to the Other Funds for the Fiscal Year 2016

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

The Auditor of State of Ohio Compliance Supplement requires that “Temporary loans requires a resolution authorizing the temporary loans” and this is the resolution requesting the loan.

PUBLIC COMMENT

No one came forward to speak for or against Resolution No. R-138-16 at this time.


RES. NO. R-139-16
A Resolution authorizing temporary loan of cash from the General Fund to the other funds for the fiscal year 2017

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

The Auditor of State of Ohio Compliance Supplement requires that “Temporary loans requires a resolution authorizing the temporary loans” and this is the resolution requesting the loan.

PUBLIC COMMENT

No one came forward to speak for or against Resolution No. R-139-16 at this time.


RES. NO. R-140-16
A Resolution of Intent to Vacate Public Right of Way

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

A petition requesting the vacation of a portion of a platted public right of way known as the alley located north of South Street and west of College Street, has been submitted for consideration. The first step in facilitating the request if for the City Commission to declare their “intent to vacate” and refer the items to the Planning Commission for a public hearing and their recommendation, stated Mr. Sommer.

PUBLIC COMMENT

No one came forward to speak for or against Resolution No. R-140-16 at this time.


RES. NO. R-141-16
A Resolution authorizing the City Manager to enter into a Collective Bargaining Agreement with
The American Federation of State, County and Municipal Workers, Inc. (AFSCME), Ohio Council 8 Local 984 (Blue Collar)

Stacy Wall, Law Director provided the Staff Report.

The City of Piqua and the American Federation of State, County and Municipal Workers, Inc. (“AFSCME”), Ohio Council 8, Local #894 (Blue Collar) have negotiated a tentative collective bargaining agreement effective January 1, 2017 through December 31, 2019.

**PUBLIC COMMENT**

No one came forward to speak for or against Resolution No. R-141-16 at this time.


**RES. NO. R-142-16**

A Resolution authorizing the City Manager to enter into a Collective Bargaining Agreement with Local Union 252, International Association of Firefighters AFL-CIO-CLC (Fire Officers)

Stacy Wall, Law Director provided the Staff Report.

The City of Piqua and the Local Union 252, International Association of Firefighters AFL-CIO-CLC (IAFF) have negotiated and have tentatively agreed to enter into a collective bargaining agreement effective January 1, 2017 through December 31, 2019 for the fire officers.

**PUBLIC COMMENT**

Bob Bloom, President of the Fire Officers and Firefighters Union came forward and thanked the City for their cooperation at the bargaining table and for completing all of the agreements.

Mayor Hinds thanked the Fire Officers and Firefighters for what they do every day for the community.


**RES. NO. R-143-16**

A Resolution authorizing the City Manager to enter into a Collective Bargaining Agreement with Local 252, International Association of Firefighters, AFL-CIO-CLC (Firefighters)

Stacy Wall, Law Director provided the Staff Report.

The City of Piqua and the Local Union 252, International Association of Firefighters AFL-CIO-CLC (IAFF) have negotiated and have tentatively agreed to enter into a collective bargaining agreement effective January 1, 2017 through December 31, 2019 for the firefighters.

**PUBLIC COMMENT**

No one came forward to speak for or against Resolution No. R-143-16 at this time.

Moved by Commissioner Terry, seconded by Commissioner Wilson, that Resolution No. R-143-16 be adopted. Roll call vote, Aye: Terry, Hinds, Wilson, Martin and Vogt. Nay: None. Motion carried unanimously. Mayor Hinds then declared Resolution No. R-143-16 adopted.
PUBLIC COMMENT

No one came forward to speak at this time.

City Manager's Report

The City of Piqua was named one of the Top13 Best Decorated Main Streets for Christmas 2016.

The Ft. Piqua Plaza and the downtown lights were changed over to LED lights this year, which is a cost savings and also looks great.

City Manager Huff wished everyone a very Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

Commissioners Comments

Commissioner Terry wished everyone a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

Commissioner Vogt stated Downtown Piqua looks great this year, and likes the new decorations. Commissioner Vogt also mentioned that if citizens were not in the Holiday Spirit yet, to take a drive down Broadway, Riverside Drive, and up on Ford Drive.

Commissioner Vogt wished everyone a Merry Christmas and a safe Happy New Year.

Mayor Hinds mentioned the appearance of the Railroad Overpass on Ash Street, stating it is an eyesore. City Manager Huff stated they are looking into it.

Mayor Hinds stated she attended Career Day at the Junior High, they are a very lively and active group of 8th graders.

Mayor Hinds wished citizens a very Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year, further stating she is looking forward to 2017.

Moved by Commissioner Vogt, seconded by Commissioner Martin, to adjourn from the Regular City Commission Meeting at 9:20 P.M. Voice vote, Aye: Martin, Vogt, Wilson, Terry, and Hinds. Nay: None.

KATHRYN B. HINDS, MAYOR

ATTEST: ______________________

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CLERK OF COMMISSION