MINUTES
PIQUA CITY COMMISSION
Tuesday, April 4, 2017 7:30 P.M.

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 Terry, Wilson, Vogt, and Martin. Absent: None. Motion carried unanimously.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

No one came forward to speak at this time.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

To consider the purchase or sale of property for public purposes

Moved by Commissioner Vogt, seconded by Commissioner Martin, to move into Executive Session at 7:31 P.M. to consider the purchase or sale of property for public purposes. Roll call, Aye; Terry, Martin, Wilson, Hinds, and Vogt. Nay, None. Motion carried unanimously

Moved by Commissioner Terry, seconded by Commissioner Wilson to adjourn from the Executive Session at 7:50 P.M. Voice vote, Aye: Martin, Terry, Wilson, Hinds and Vogt. Nay, None. Motion carried unanimously.

Consent Agenda

Approval of Minutes
Approval of the minutes from the March 21, 2017 Regular Piqua City Commission Meeting


NEW BUSINESS

RES. NO. R- 65-17
A Resolution awarding a contract for the truck unloading stations for the Power System

Ed Krieger, Power Systems Director provided the Staff Report.

Piqua’s recently updated and re-certified Spill Prevention Control and Countermeasure Plan required the Power System to construct fuel truck unloading stations to ensure any potential fuel spill is contained during the unloading of the gas turbine fuel tanks. Bids were sent out to twelve contractors and publicly advertised. M & T Excavating was the sole bidder, and met all of the requirements and specifications. The City has used M & T previously and were very satisfied with their work.

Commissioner Terry asked what is a Truck Unloading Station.

Mr. Krieger provided a brief description of the Truck Unloading Station.

Public Comment

No one came forward to speak for or against Resolution No. R-65-17

RES. NO. R-66-17
A Resolution awarding a contract for roof repairs to Piqua’s Power Plant

Ed Krieger, Power Systems Director provided the Staff Report.

For the past three years the Power System has been actively making repairs to the roof at the Power Plant.

This project was publicly advertised and bids were received on Mach 20, 2017. The bid required a “foam type” roofing system with a polyuria coating, matching the system utilized the past three years. WRI was the lowest bidder for the roof repairs with a cost not to exceed $40,000. Completion of the repairs allows the Power System to continue its plan of completing all repairs to the Power Plant roof over a six year time frame.

Public Comment

No one came forward to speak for or against Resolution No. R-66-17.


RES. NO. R-67-17
A Resolution authorizing an amendment to Zoning Map to change the Zoning Designation of 403 and 543 Staunton Street to I-1 Light Industrial

Chris Schmiesing, City Planner provided the Staff Report.

The applicant has petitioned to change the zoning of the subject properties to more accurately reflect the planned solar array field special use of the property. A review of the Comprehensive Plan and Zoning Code, and the testimony provided at a public hearing concerning this matter resulted in the Planning Commission finding the request is consistent with the adopted community land use policy and plans.

Public Comment

No one came forward to speak for or against Resolution No. R-67-17.


RES. NO. R-68-17
A Resolution approving the purchase of land by the Sanitation Department Enterprise Fund from the Water Department Enterprise Fund

Amy Welker, Health & Sanitation Director, provided the Staff Report.

The City Commission and City Department Heads met at the current Sanitation Department to discuss the condition of the facilities. Commissioners had the opportunity to see the deteriorating conditions and the need for more suitable facilities. The Sanitation Department began planning for a new facility and presented the project in the 2016 Budget, which was approved by the City Commission. Recently, the availability of the R.M. Davis land was discussed, with all staff agreeing this would be a good use of the land already owned by the City.

Commissioner Wilson asked Ms. Welker to describe the current conditions of the Sanitation facility.

Ms. Welker provided a brief overview of the current conditions at the location.
Public Comment

No one came forward to speak for or against Resolution No. R-68-17.


RES. NO. R-60-17
A Resolution requesting legislation to enter into an agreement with the Ohio Department of Transportation (ODOT) for the Bike Path Connections Project

Amy Havenar, City Engineer provided the Staff Report.

On February 15, 2011 the City Commission passed a resolution authorizing the City Manager to enter into a preliminary agreement with ODOT for the Garnsey Street/Commercial Street Corridor Project. The City engaged consultants to begin the detail design, the environmental documents, and the right-of-way acquisition. The project will consist of construction of short segments of multi-use trails at both ends of the project to connect the existing trail facilities to the street improvements.

The project will make the necessary improvements along the street corridors to designate the bike route and enhance the pedestrian pathways, as well as the realignment of the intersection at Garnsey/Roosevelt/College Streets. The City has received funding from the Federal Highway Administration through the Miami Valley Regional Planning Commission in the amount of up to $421,462.

Mayor Hinds stated is a multi-use path and for many people this is their transportation to and from work, and she loves the fact that this is opening the south side of the community to get the people on the path and moving.

City Manager Huff provided additional information on the project.

Commissioners asked several questions regarding the completion date, what a shared use path is Mayor Hinds stated this is a Multi-use path and will be used frequently.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Susan Curtis, works for Miami Valley Steel came forward stating she is glad to see the Trail System continue through the city. Some of our employees ride their bikes to work and this will continue to provide a safe route for their travel.

Jim Hemmert, Boone Street came forward and provided additional information on the need for the connectors and how they provide a means to move around the community.


PUBLIC COMMENT

No one came forward to speak at this time.

City Manager’s Report

City Manager Huff congratulated Jeremy Koehler for being named the 2016 Police Officer of the Year, and congratulated Vance McCulla for being named the 2016 Firefighter of the Year.
Commissioners Comments

Commissioner Terry stated the Commissioners received information from the Law Director on the Miami Valley Risk Management Association and the City’s membership in the organization. Commissioner Terry asked the Law Director to provide a brief overview on what the Miami Valley Risk Management Association is and what it provides the city.

Law Director Stacy Wall provided information on how the Miami Valley Risk Management Association benefits the city and what it provides.

Commissioner Vogt commented on the bike lanes on 25-A, further stating Piqua is very fortunate to have good traffic management.

Mayor Hinds stated the city’s thoughts and prayers are with the Bob Ford family. Bob was the Piqua Assistant Fire Chief for many years and passed away recently. Mayor Hinds asked all citizens to keep the Ford family in their thoughts and prayers. Mayor Hinds gave thanks to his long service to the Piqua community.

Moved by Commissioner Martin, seconded by Commissioner Vogt, to move in to Executive Session at 8:25 P.M. to consider the appointment, employment, dismissal, discipline or compensation of the City Manager. Roll call vote, Aye: Hinds, Wilson, Martin, Vogt, and Terry. Nay: None.

Moved by Commissioner Martin, seconded by Commissioner Wilson to adjourn from Executive Session at 9:10 P.M. Voice vote, Aye: Martin, Wilson, Terry, Hinds, and Vogt. Nay: None.


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KATHRYN B. HINDS, MAYOR

PASSED: ______________________

ATTEST: _______________________
REBECCA J. COOL
CLERK OF COMMISSION