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

Cheryl Francis, Taste of The Arts Chairperson, and Lorna Swisher, Executive Director of Mainstreet Piqua came forward and thanked the City of Piqua, and all of the amazing employees for all of their help with the Taste of The Arts.

Mayor Hinds asked Edna Steifel to come forward stating she wanted to congratulate her on being named the 2017 Miami County Senior Citizen of the Year. Ms. Steifel is an active community member and volunteer. On behalf of your city, we thank you for the good work, and we celebrate you being our wonderful Miami County Senior Citizen for 2017, stated Mayor Hinds.

Consent Agenda

Approval of Minutes

Approval of the minutes from the May 16, 2017 Regular Piqua City Commission Meeting

RES.NO. R-86-17
A Resolution of Appreciation for the Public Service of Elaine G. Barton as a City Employee

Mayor Hinds read the Resolution of Appreciation and presented it to Elaine.

Elaine thanked the City Commission, stating it was her pleasure and privilege to be the Human Resources Director. Further stating she has worked with an amazing group of people and she is going to miss all of them.

City Manager Huff stated he appreciates the knowledge that Mrs. Barton has shared with him, further stating the city has been very fortunate to have Elaine as Human Resources Director for 15 years.


NEW BUSINESS

RES. NO. R-87-17
A Resolution fixing the time and place for a Public Hearing on the proposed City Tax Budget for Miami County for the calendar year 2018 and Draft Appropriation Ordinance

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

This resolution sets the date for the Public Hearing on the proposed City Tax Budget for the next Commission meeting on June 20, 2017.

Public Comment

No one came forward to speak for or against Resolution No. R-87-17.

RES. NO. R- 88-17
A Resolution awarding a contract to Jess Howard Electric Company for the Precision Approach Path Indicator (PAPI) Installation Project at the Piqua Municipal Airport-Hartzell Field

Amy Havenar, City Engineer, provided the Staff Report.

On May 24, 2017 two bids were received for the PAPI Installation Project at the Piqua Airport-Hartzell Field. The work consists of the installation of two PAPI visual guidance slope indicator systems; one for Runway 8, and one for Runway 26 at the Piqua Airport. The City was awarded a Grant for this project through the Ohio Airport Grant Program which covers up to 95% of the Construction Costs and the Construction Engineering Services. The City will be responsible for providing 5% of the Construction Cost. Work will begin soon and has a completion date of August 31, 2017, stated Ms. Havenar.

Public Comment
No one came forward to speak for or against Resolution No. R-88-17.


RES. No. R-89-17
A Resolution authorizing the City Manager to enter into an agreement with Delta Airport Consultants Inc. for the Construction Engineering Services for the Precision Approach Path Indicator (PAPI) System at the Piqua Municipal Airport-Hartzell Field

Amy Havenar, City Engineer, provided the Staff Report.

The City has recently completed the design and the bidding phases for the construction of the Precision Approach Path Indicator System (PAPI) at the Piqua Airport-Hartzell Field. Delta Airport Consultants, Inc. was the consultant who completed the design of the project and we would like to have them complete the Construction Engineering Services on the project on behalf of the City, stated Ms. Havenar.

Public Comment
No one came forward to speak for or against Resolution No. R-89-17.


RES. NO. R-90-17
A Resolution authorizing the City Manager to enter into an agreement with Piqua Board of Education for the designation of Franchise Fees

City Manager Huff provided the Staff Report.

The City of Piqua receives franchise fee pursuant to a franchise agreement with Time Warner Cable and over time these funds have partially been designated for the use of public access programming. In 2009 the City Commission authorized the City of Piqua to be a member of and created the Western Ohio TV Consortium (WOTVC).

The WOTVC Board approved the dissolution of WOTVC on March 30, 2017 and WOTVC is no
longer operational as a separate entity. The Piqua City Schools and specifically Piqua High School is able to take over the operation and production of what was previously being done by WOTVC and thus the funding previously designated franchise fees to WOTVC will now be designated to the Piqua Board of Education for the same purposes, stated City Manager Huff.

The City of Piqua will enter into an agreement with the Piqua Board of Education for the purpose of designating franchise fees for the sole purpose of operating and maintaining public access programming. The City will pay a prorated amount of $45,000 for 2017.

Commissioners asked several questions. City Manager Huff stated there will not be a Board of Directors, only an advisory Board. The programming will be a part of the curriculum required for media classes at the high school, and expect to have more content development in the future.

**PUBLIC COMMENT**

No one came forward to speak for or against Resolution No. R-90-17.


**RES. NO. R-91-17**

A Resolution requesting authorization to increase the purchase order to CDM Smith for additional design services incurred during the design phase of the Wastewater Treatment Plant expansion and upgrade

Chris Melvin, Wastewater Treatment Superintendent provided the Staff Report.

The additional service items are for out of scope permits beyond the EPA’s permit to install. The conforming documents were either going to take place at the end of the bid processing once known how involved the addenda specifications would be, or at the beginning of the construction management phase. Getting the approval now, prior to the intent to award the construction contract and constructions management contract allows for important work to continue, stated Mr. Melvin. The total additional costs of $95,686 is estimated as $18,800 for permitting services and $76,886 for conformed documents.

**PUBLIC COMMENT**

No one came forward to speak at this time.

Moved by Commissioner Terry, seconded by Commissioner Wilson, that Resolution No. R-91-17 be adopted. Roll call vote, Aye: Wilson, Terry, Vogt, Martin and Hinds. Nay: None. Motion carried unanimously. Mayor Hinds then declared Resolution No. R-91-17 adopted.

**RES. NO. R-92-17**

A Resolution authorizing the City Manager to enter into a Lease Agreement to permit the usage of a portion of Lock Nine Park and Linear Park to Mainstreet Piqua and Piqua Arts Council

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

Mainstreet Piqua and Piqua Arts Council wish to use Lock Nine Park and the Linear Park as the location of the Rock Piqua Riverfront Concert Series in 2017. There will be three concerts one in June, one in July and one in August,

Lorna Swisher Executive Director Mainstreet Piqua, and Jordon Knepper, Piqua Arts Council Executive Director came forward and provided additional information regarding the use of the Lock Nine Park and the Linear Park for the concerts.
Mayor Hinds stated this is a wonderful event and people show up early just to get a seat.

The City of Piqua is listed as a sponsor but not financially just as support and help, along with the many volunteers who make this happen. Anyone interested in volunteering can contact Jeanie Jordan Bates, as she is the volunteer coordinator for the events.

PUBLIC COMMENT

No one came forward to speak at this time.


PUBLIC COMMENT

Valerie Mullikin, a Piqua resident, came forward and voiced her concern over the new “Dog Park” not being handicapped accessible, and does not meet the Americans Disabilities Act Title II. Ms. Mullikin suggested the city find another more suitable location or make the current location ADA compliant.

Randi Simon-Serey, High Street, also came forward and voiced her concerns over the “Dog Park” not being handicapped accessible, and asked that a new location be found if possible.

City Manager Report

City Manager Huff introduced Catherine Bogan the new Human Resources Director.

City Manager Huff provided a brief update on Senate Bill 231.

City Manager Huff announced the City of Piqua received a $200,000 Brownfield Grant.

City Manager Huff stated they are waiting on the painting contractors for the Ash Street Railroad Bridge project.

City Manager Huff announced the city will begin their fogging and the first date is June 7, 2017, also the city will begin paving the alley starting soon.

City Manager Huff provided a brief overview of the issues with the Dog Park, stating they will look into the issues that were brought up

Commissioners Comments

Commissioner Martin mentioned possibly using a portion of Armco Park for the dog park.

Commissioner Martin congratulated Elaine Barton on her retirement,

Commissioner Vogt congratulated Elaine Barton on her retirement.

Commissioner Wilson also congratulated Elaine Barton on her retirement.

Commissioner Wilson announced there is a new Japanese Restaurant, Mikato on Covington Avenue.

Commissioner Terry congratulated Elaine Barton on her retirement, and Edna Steifel on being named Miami County Senior Citizen of the Year.

Mayor Hinds announced the second Walk with the Mayor will take place on Monday June 12, at 5:30.
Mayor Hinds announce her program Reading with the Mayor will take place on June 19, at 10:30 A. M. at Lock Nine Park, and encouraged children to attend.

Mayor Hinds stated her next Walk with the Mayor will take place on Jun 26 in the 2nd Ward at 5:30 P.M, and asked residents to meet at the corner of Grant Street and Ford Drive.

Mayor Hinds announce the Piqua Community Swimming Pool is open, stating Piqua is very fortunate to have this swimming facility. Also Echo Hills Golf Course is open and in full swing.

Moved by Commissioner Vogt, seconded by Commissioner Martin, to adjourn from the Regular Commission Meeting at 8:27 P.M. Voice vote, Aye: Martin, Vogt, Wilson, Terry, and Hinds. Nay, None.

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KATHRYN B. HINDS, MAYOR

PASSED: ______________________

ATTEST: _______________________
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CLERK OF COMMISSION