Piqua City Commission Regular Meeting
June 5, 2018 Minutes

Vice Mayor William Vogt called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. All members of the Commission were present except for Mayor Kazy Hinds. Commissioner Martin moved to excuse Mayor Hinds and Commissioner Lee seconded the motion. All members voted in the affirmative.

There were no public announcements.

It is to be noted that other than a representative from the Piqua Daily Call, no one was present from the public and thus there was no public comment on any agenda item.

The consent agenda consisting of the May 15, 2018 meeting minutes was approved. Commissioner Martin moved to approve and Commissioner Lee seconded. The Consent Agenda was approved unanimously.

**New Business:**

**Ordinance No. 9-18.**

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

Law Director Stacy Wall explained that the ordinance was procedural and happens quarterly to approve the codification. This ordinance codifies all ordinances adopted January 1, 2018 through March 31, 2018. Wall explained that it needed passed as an emergency since the ordinances were already in effect. It was a first reading.

Commissioner Lee moved to waive the three reading rule to adopt by emergency. Commissioner Martin seconded the motion and all members voted in favor of waiving the three reading rule. Commissioner Martin moved to adopt suspended Ordinance No. 9-18 and Commissioner Short seconded the motion. All members voted aye. The Emergency Ordinance was adopted.

**Resolution No. R-87-18.**

An Emergency Resolution authorizing the City Manager to enter into a project agreement with Poggemeyer Design Group to provide construction services for the City's PY2017 Downtown Revitalization Project.

Assistant City Manager Justin Sommer gave the staff report. He indicated the City has been awarded a CDBG grant in which $300,000.00 has been allocated for the Downtown Revitalization Project, specifically for façade improvements. The resolution
was for an agreement with Poggemeyer Design Group to assist with the construction management services for downtown business owners who participate. Such services will include building deficiency assessments, project costs estimates, assistance to building owners and contractors, bidding of projects, construction monitoring and final inspections. The resolution was an emergency to meet timing requirements of the grant. Commissioner Martin asked if the grant could be used for other improvements such as electrical. Mr. Sommer indicated that although the grant was primarily for façade improvements, it is possible to potentially use the grant for other purposes such as electrical improvements. Commissioner Lee asked how many businesses are interested and whether the amount of money available is sufficient. Mr. Sommer indicated that there are at least 22 interested parties and the grant amount is sufficient. Commissioner Martin moved to approve the resolution and Commissioner Short seconded the motion. A roll call vote was taken and all voted aye. The Resolution was approved.

The City Commission adjourned from its regular session for a brief recess while the City Commission Clerk was excused. Law Director Wall sat in as Clerk and recorded the minutes. The meeting reconvened at 6:17 p.m.

Resolution No. R-88-18

A Resolution authorizing a purchase order to A&A Safety for the purchase of a portable traffic control system.

Power System Director Ed Krieger gave the staff report. The item was presented to the Energy Board and recommended for approval. This item is related to and needed for the Riverfront Redevelopment Project. Research identified the only State of Ohio approved portable traffic control system. A&A Safety is the licensed distributor and sole-source for this system. Underground, Public works and Power will share in the cost of the system. The system will be housed in the Power System Building and then shared by other City departments.

Commissioner Short indicated that he has seen the system work on Troy-Sidney and was very impressed with the system and thought it worked well.

Commissioner Lee moved to approve the resolution and Commissioner Short seconded the motion. A roll call vote was taken and all voted aye. The Resolution was approved.

Resolution No. R-89-18

A Resolution awarding a contract for replacement radio communications for the Power System.
Power System Director Ed Krieger gave the staff report. The item was presented to the Energy Board and recommended for approval. The City was informed by 911 and Miami County that it would be replacing the radio system. The Power Department evaluated purchasing a stand-alone system or join the County Marcs system. The stand-alone system is a better fit for the Power System. The stand-alone system is utilized in Tipp City and was recommended by their electric department staff. Power will have a 10-year FCC license to operate the stand-alone system. The radios are less-expensive than the MARCS system and this option will be less expensive to operate on an annual basis. Power System staff consulted with Miami County and WS Electronics to evaluate the alternative systems.

Commissioner Lee asked whether the current system and proposed systems allow for City departments to interact and communicate. Director Krieger indicated that the stand-alone system would allow this interaction.

Commissioner Lee moved to approve the resolution and Commissioner Short seconded the motion. A roll call vote was taken and all voted aye. The Resolution was approved.

Resolution No. R-90-18

A Resolution awarding a contract for the installation of a replacement roof for the Power System’s #9 gas turbine building.

Power Systems Director Ed Krieger gave the staff report. The item was presented to the Energy Board and recommended for approval. Continued operation of the City’s gas turbines provide for significant electric cost savings for Piqua’s electric customers, in the range of $1-$2 million dollars savings annually. The replacement of the roof has been a long term planned project. The original roof is over 50 years old and it is essential that the gas turbines be protected. The new roof needs to be segmented to allow for removal of the turbine if necessary. The segmented roof is a custom solution, so is more expensive than a standard roof.

Commissioner Martin asked whether the roof would have a warranty for leakage since the roof is segmented. Director Krieger indicated there is a warranty with the roof.

Commissioner Short moved to approve the resolution and Commissioner Martin seconded the motion. A roll call vote was taken and all voted aye. The Resolution was approved.

Resolution No. R-91-18

A Resolution of Intent to vacate public right-of-way.
Assistant City Manager Justin Sommer gave the staff report. He indicated the item was presented to the Commission at its last regular meeting and this is the next step in the process to vacate a public right-of-way. The area is located on East Main Street near Carr Street. The area was intended to be an alley but was never improved. It is not being used for a public purpose and is currently occupied by a private improvement. After approval, the item will be presented to the Planning Board.

There was no public comment.

Commissioner Martin moved to approve the resolution and Commissioner Lee seconded the motion. A roll call vote was taken and all voted aye. The Resolution was approved.

**Resolution No. R-92-18**

A Resolution authorizing a purchase order to Insulated Roofing Systems Inc. for the purchase of a replacement roof for the Wastewater Department.

Law Director Wall indicated that the title of the Resolution needed amended to:

A Resolution Authorizing The City Manager To Enter Into An Agreement With Insulated Roofing Systems Inc. For The Purchase Of A Replacement Roof For The Wastewater Department

This amendment was only to reflect the change from a purchase order to an agreement. The body of the resolution did not change. Commissioner Martin made the motion to amend the title of the resolution and Commissioner Lee seconded the motion. Commissioner Vogt called for the vote and all voted aye.

Wastewater Superintendent Chris Melvin provided the staff report. The resolution was to replace the Operations Building roof as it is leaking with leaks being around electrical areas. Eight companies were invited to bid and only one company came to the required site visit prior to the bid. One company submitted a bid. The proposed insulated roof will be consistent with the roof on the other buildings.

Commissioner Martin asked about the warranty and whether there was insulation with the roof. Superintendent Melvin explained that the roof will have a 10 year warranty. If the roof is resealed at the end of the 10 years, there will be a new 10 year warranty at that time. Superintendent Melvin said the spray foam roof acts as an insulator and is waterproof.

Commissioner Lee moved to approve the resolution and Commissioner Martin seconded the motion. A roll call vote was taken and all voted aye. The Resolution was approved.
Resolution No. R-93-18

A Resolution authorizing a purchase order to Valley Ford Truck, Inc. for the purchase of a dump truck for the Public Works Department.

City Manager Gary Huff requested that the Resolution be tabled until July 3, 2018, as further information was needed regarding the bidding process. Commissioner Martin moved to table the item until July 3, 2018, and Commissioner Short seconded the motion. Vice Mayor Vogt called for the vote and all voted aye. The Resolution was tabled until July 3, 2018.

City Manager’s Report.

City Manager Huff turned his report over to Wastewater Superintendent Chris Melvin to provide an update on the wastewater expansion. Superintendent Melvin began by showing a picture of the site prior to any construction, indicating that the land to the east had been donated by Piqua Materials. The first concrete was poured in mid-October. It was indicated that the project required large amounts of concrete and steel. Not a lot of digging had to take place since the land was previously a quarry. However, to install new pumps, Peterson had to dig down through 10 feet of bedrock. There are 2 oxidation ditches being installed and each ditch is 190 feet long by 100 feet wide. The ditches have to be poured in pieces and reinforced. A new 42” pipe is being installed below ground to connect the old plant to the new construction.

Vice Mayor Vogt asked the life expectancy of the new plant. Superintendent Melvin indicated that the structures are good for 50 years. The parts are interchangeable so the parts can be changed out as they will expire before the structure. He also indicated that even with City growth and expansion, the new plant will be more than sufficient. The current capacity of the wastewater plant is 4.5 million gallons with a peak capacity of 8 million gallons. The new plant is designed for a flow of 8.7 million gallons with a peak capacity of 22 million gallons.

Credit was given to Bret Reid for the drone photographs showing the construction and progress of the wastewater plant expansion.

Commissioner Comments:

Commissioner Lee congratulated all of the Piqua High and Lehman High School graduates. He also indicated that Chautauqua is going on this week and the St. Mary’s Festival is the weekend and encouraged citizens to attend. Commissioner gave thanks to Father Bolte for serving the Catholic churches as he is leaving to serve two new churches.
Commissioner Short participated in the Memorial Day parade and indicated there was great support from the community. He encouraged continued support for our Veterans.

Commissioner Martin requested a presentation on the development of the Solar Field Project.

Vice Mayor Vogt observed the City and did not see any grass in the streets and thanked people for taking care of their grass clippings. He also indicated that it was his 60th class year reunion.

Commissioner Martin made a motion to adjourn and Commissioner Lee seconded the motion. Vice Mayor Vogt called for a vote and all voted aye.

The meeting was adjourned at approximately 6:45 p.m.

Minutes prepared by Stacy M. Wall, Law Director

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William Vogt, VICE MAYOR