

MINUTES
PIQUA CITY COMMISSION
Tuesday, September 18, 2018
6:00 P.M.

Piqua City Commission met at 6:00 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 Lee, Short, and Martin. Absent: Vogt.

Moved by Commissioner Martin, seconded by Commissioner Lee to excuse Commissioner Vogt from the September 18, 2018 Piqua City Commission Meeting. Voice vote, Aye: Martin, Lee, Short, and Hinds. Nay: None. Motion carried unanimously.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

No one came forward at this time to speak.

CONSENT AGENDA

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Approval of the Minutes from the September 4, 2018 Regular City Commission Meeting.

Commissioner Martin moved for the approval of the Consent Agenda, motion seconded by Commissioner Lee. Motion was carried unanimously and Mayor Hinds declared the Consent Agenda approved.

NEW BUSINESS

RESOLUTION NO. R-123-18

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING A PURCHASE ORDER TO KENWORTH OF RICHFIELD FOR THE PURCHASE OF A DUMP TRUCK FOR THE PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT

Brian Brookhart, Interim Public Works Director stated the Public Works Department would like to purchase a 2018 Kenworth T370 Dump Truck for the Street Department using the NJPA contract. Several different trucks were tested, and the Kenworth has the best turning radius which will be a huge benefit on the cul-de-sacs streets serviced in the winter, stated Mr. Brookhart.

Commissioner Martin inquired the 5 year warranty. Mr. Brookhart explained

Mayor Hinds noted quite a bit of money was saved on the purchase of this truck.

PUBLIC COMMENT

No one came forward to speak for or against Resolution No. R-123-18.

Move by Commissioner Lee, seconded by Commissioner Short to adopt Resolution No R-123-18. Voice vote, Aye: Short, Martin, Lee, and Hinds. Nay: None. Motion carried unanimously. Mayor Hinds declared Resolution R-123-18 adopted.

RESOLUTION NO. R-124-18

A RESOLUTION AWARDED A CONTRACT TO DOUBLE JAY CONSTRUCTION FOR THE FORT PIQUA PLAZA PAVER MODIFICATION PROJECT

City Manager Huff provided the Staff Report.

City Manager Huff stated Resolution No. R-124-18 was brought back before the Commission at the request of three Commissioners.

Two bids were received on July 3, 2018. The work will include removing the existing brick pavers, removing the up-lighting, adding new concrete sub base and reinstalling the existing brick pavers on the south side of the Plaza. An alternate bid was taken to complete the work on the east side of the Plaza, but the alternate bid will not be awarded.

City Manager Huff provided a slide showing how the current brick pavers are sinking along the curb line and causing a trip hazard. We are trying to alleviate them sinking by using the concrete sub base.

Commissioner Martin inquired as to how the brick pavers will be held in place. City Manager Huff stated they will be grouted with sand.

PUBLIC COMMENT

No one came forward to speak for or against Resolution No. R-124-18.

Moved by Commissioner Lee, seconded by Commissioner Short, to adopt Resolution No R-124-18. Voice vote, Aye: Short, Martin, Lee, and Hinds. Nay: None. Motion carried unanimously. Mayor Hinds declared Resolution R-124-18 adopted.

RESOLUTION NO. R-125-18

A RESOLUTION TO AWARD A CONTRACT TO KINNISON EXCAVATING INC. FOR WASTEWATER PUMP STATIONS REPLACEMENT AND ELIMINATION PROJECT

Chris Melvin, Wastewater Plant Superintendent, provided the Staff Report.

There are several pump stations included in the project they include: installation of a gravity flow sewer eliminating the pump station at Miami Valley Centre Mall, replacing Maplewood, Orchard, Candlewood, and Stratford with new pump station construction. Other small electrical work will happen at Eagles Nest, Lakeridge Place and Echo Lake Drive. Crane Pumps will be used on this project because of the high quality materials, pumps being readily available and standardizing the stations throughout the City, stated Mr. Melvin.

On July 1, 2018 the City was approved for a grant and 0% interest loan from Ohio Public Works Commission (OPWC).

Commissioners asked several questions regarding the type of pumps, and where they will be purchased from. Mr. Melvin explained.

PUBLIC COMMENT

No one came forward to speak for or against Resolution No. R-125-18.

Moved by Commissioner Martin, to adopt Resolution No. R-125-18, seconded by Commissioner Short. Voice vote, Aye: Lee, Martin, Hinds, and Short. Nay: None. Motion carried unanimously. Mayor Hinds declared Resolution No. R-125-18 adopted.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Paul Bubeck, Camp Street, came forward commenting he has not seen a lot of improvements in the state of the houses in Piqua. City Manager Huff stated over the past two years, the city has issued over 900 property maintenance violations and that approximately 60 percent of the

recipients have complied with making the necessary repairs, and others are working on them. City Manager Huff noted these violations are separate from the weed and grass violations, and the city sees hundreds of these also. Mr. Bubeck noted part of the problem is there are so many rental properties in the city.

Larry Hamilton, Maplewood Drive, came forward and referenced the 400 Years of African American History Commission Act that was enacted in January by President Donald Trump. Mr. Hamilton encouraged the Commission to plan programs and ongoing events to acknowledge the impact that slavery and laws that enforced racial discrimination had on the United States. The events will tie in with the freed Randolph slaves who settled in Rossville, in Springcreek Township in the 1830's.

Mayor Hinds and Commissioner Lee each expressed a willingness to help with the events commemorating the 400 years of African American history, and encouraged Mr. Hamilton to take a leadership role in the planning.

CITY MANAGER'S REPORT

City Manager Huff stated the City received a \$200,000 grant from the Ohio Public Works Commission for the replacement of Storm and Catch Basins around the City.

COMMISSIONERS COMMENTS

Commissioner Lee commended the Piqua Police Department stating the officers are doing a great job, especially in his neighborhood. Commissioner Lee cited several incidents that took place over the weekend including a garage burglary and a car fire. Neighborhood residents stated the officers responded promptly, were courteous, and very helpful.

Commissioner Short stated he wanted to take a minute to remember Sandra Getzendiner, everyone would remember her as the "lady on the bike" who recently passed away. Commissioner Short noted he attended the Piqua Bike Fest was well attended.

Mayor Hinds noted the Piqua High School Football team honored the Piqua Police and Fire Departments at their last football game. They plan to honor veterans at the Troy-Piqua Football game later this season. It is not just going to a football game, it is connecting with the community and the people and coming together, said Mayor Hinds.

ADJOURNMENT

Motion made by Commissioner Martin to adjourn from the Regular City Commission Meeting at 6:30 P.M. motion seconded by Commissioner Lee. Motion carried unanimously.

KATHRYN B. HINDS, MAYOR

PASSED: _____

ATTEST: _____
REBECCA J. COOL
CLERK OF COMMISSION