

**MINUTES
PIQUA CITY COMMISSION
TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 20, 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, Martin and Vogt. Absent: None.

REGULAR CITY COMMISSION MEETING

ANNOUNCEMENTS

February is Black History Month. Mayor Hinds asked Commissioner Lee to provide a brief overview of the Black History in the City of Piqua.

CONSENT AGENDA

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Approval of the Minutes from the February 6, 2018 Regular City Commission Meeting.

RES. NO. R-26-18

A Resolution appointing a member to the Park Board

Paul Simmons was appointed to fill the unexpired term of Kevin Pryfogle for a term to expire March 1, 2019.

RES. NO. R-27-18

A Resolution appointing a member to the Park Board

Thomas Fogt was appointed to fill the unexpired term of Jessie Dotson for a term to expire on March 1, 2020.

RES. NO. R-28-18

A Resolution appointing a member to the Planning Commission

Cindy Pearson was reappointed for a term to expire on March 1, 2023.

RES. NO. R-29-18

A Resolution appointing a member to the Tree Committee

Steve Trostel was appointed to fill the unexpired term of Regina Favorite for a term to expire on March 1, 2020.

RES. NO. R-30-18

A Resolution of Appreciation for the public service of Robert A. Bloom as a City Employee

Mayor Hinds read the Resolution of Appreciation and presented it to Mr. Bloom, thanking him for his years of service to the citizens of Piqua.

RES. NO. R-31-18

A Resolution of Appreciation for the public service of Duane J. Novotny, Sr. as a City Employee

Mayor Hinds read the Resolution of Appreciation.

Moved by Commissioner Martin, seconded by Commissioner Vogt, to approve the Consent Agenda at this time. Voice vote, Aye: Martin, Short, Lee, Vogt, and Hinds. Nay, None. Consent Agenda was unanimously approved.

OLD BUSINESS

ORD. NO. 2-18 (3rd Reading)

An Emergency Ordinance amending Chapter 50 of the Piqua Code, relating to garbage and refuse

This is the third reading and City Manager Huff stated there is no additional information to add at this time.

Commissioners voiced their concerns and asked questions. Health and Sanitation Director Amy Welker, Finance Director Cynthia Holtzapple, Mayor Hinds, and City Manager Huff all provided information and responded to the questions.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Betty Wells, Jed Way, came forward asking several questions regarding the use of the cans, how to dispose of yard waste, and are senior discounts available. City Manager Huff and Ms. Welker provided the information.

Russ Fashner, Forest Avenue, came forward and voiced his concern over the weight limit on the new cans. City Manager Huff explained.

Moved by Commissioner Lee, seconded by Commissioner Short, that Ordinance No. 2-18 be adopted. Roll call vote, Aye: Hinds, Lee, Short. Nay: Martin and Vogt. Motion carried on a 3-2 vote.

NEW BUSINESS

ORD. NO. 3-18 (1ST READING)

An Ordinance amending Chapter 55 Stormwater Management of the Piqua Municipal Code

Law Director Stacy Wall provided the Staff Report. Ms. Wall stated the amendments are in the definition section and explained the amendments.

Commissioners asked several questions regarding the collection of the fees, and if it would go to Criminal Court. Ms. Wall answered all questions.

After discussion Ordinance No. 3-18 was given a first reading.

RES. NO. R-32-18

A Resolution awarding a contract for the purchase of transformers for the Power System

Ed Krieger, Power Systems Director provided the Staff Report.

The Power Plant solicits bids each year to replenish the transformer inventory of various sizes, voltages. Bids were received from four vendors on January 12, 2018. The lowest and best bids

were received from Ermco for thirty-five transformers of various sizes totaling \$73,378. The Piqua Energy Board unanimously recommended approval of the purchase to the City Commission at its regular meeting on January 23, 2018.

PUBLIC COMMENT

No one came forward to speak at this time.

Moved by Commissioner Martin, seconded by Commissioner Lee, that Resolution No. R-32-18 be adopted. Voice vote, Aye: Martin, Hinds, Vogt, Short, and Lee. Nay: None. Motion carried unanimously.

RES. NO. R-33-18

A Resolution awarding a contract for the purchase of a gas turbine starting engine for the Power System

Ed Krieger, Power Systems Director provided the Staff Report.

The Power System owns and operates two combustion gas turbines, #8GT and #9GT, and provides Piqua with back-up power should the City's transmission grid go dark.

Competitive bids were received on February 7, 2018 with the lowest bid received from Cummins West Chester, Ohio Sales and Service for a not to exceed price of \$40,000 which includes contingency. The Piqua Energy Board unanimously recommended approval of this purchase at their regular January 23, 2018 meeting.

PUBLIC COMMENT

No one came forward to speak at this time.

Moved by Commissioner Vogt, seconded by Commissioner Martin, that Resolution No. R-33-18 be adopted. Voice vote, Aye: Martin, Hinds, Vogt, Short, and Lee. Nay: None. Motion carried unanimously.

RES. NO. R-34-18

A Resolution awarding a contract for the purchase of Utility Poles for the Power System

Ed Krieger, Power Systems Director provided the Staff Report.

The Piqua Power System staff has secured DP&L's approval to relocate existing electric facilities that are located along the City's waterways and currently impeded Piqua's ability to develop the Riverfront along Lock 9 Park.

McWane ductile iron poles are virtually maintenance free with a 75-100 year expected life.

McWane Poles is the sole North American provider of ductile iron utility poles and they are willing to see directly to Piqua. The Piqua Energy Board unanimously recommended approval of this purchase at their regular January 23, 2018 meeting.

PUBLIC COMMENT

No one came forward to speak at this time.

Moved by Commissioner Martin, seconded by Commissioner Vogt, that Resolution No. R-34-18 be adopted. Voice vote, Aye: Lee, Martin, Short, Vogt, and Hinds. Nay: None. Motion carried unanimously.

RES. NO. R-35-18

A Resolution authorizing a purchase order to Sherry, Chrysler, Dodge, Jeep, Inc. for two sport utility vehicles for the Fire Department

Brent Pohlschneider, Fire Chief provided the Staff Report.

The Fire Department capital replacement plan allows for the replacement of F11 (2005 Ford) & F18 (1995 Chevrolet Blazer) during 2018. Two bids were obtained for the sport utility vehicles and Sherry's provided the best bid on a Special Service Dodge Durango. This was lower than the state bid and the city likes to buy local if possible. These special service vehicles will have heavier duty brakes, cutting down on future maintenance costs, and will come with wiring access for a light bar.

PUBLIC COMMENT

No one came forward to speak at this time.

Moved by Commissioner Vogt, seconded by Commissioner Martin, that Resolution No. R-35-18 be adopted. Voice vote, Aye: Lee, Martin, Short, Vogt, and Hinds. Nay, None. Motion carried unanimously.

RES. NO. R-36-18

A Moral Obligation to pay Heyne Construction Inc. for emergency structural repair services performed at the Fort Piqua Plaza

Bob Graeser, Project Manager, provided the Staff Report.

While reviewing the fire suppression system in the ceiling above the banquet room significant cracks in the beams throughout the area were noticed. They met with a contractor who is currently doing work for the City and is available. Heyne Construction Inc. is putting together a price proposal based upon recommendations from the field analysis. After reviewing the proposal it was determined that proposed costs were in line with what the repair work should cost. Heyne Construction Inc. was at a point in their schedule to be able to begin the work immediately. City Manager Huff stated he authorized the emergency repairs.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Bill Jaqua, Sunset Drive, came forward and asked what the cost of the project was. City Manager Huff stated \$60,000.

Moved by Commissioner Martin, seconded by Commissioner Vogt, that Resolution No. R-36-18 be adopted. Voice vote, Aye: Martin, Vogt, Lee, Short and Hinds. Nay, None. Motion carried unanimously.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Bill Jaqua, Sunset Drive, came forward asking several questions concerning the City's Economic Development Plan. City Manager Huff explained. Economic Development Director Justin Sommer also provided additional information.

CITY MANAGER REPORT

City Manager Huff stated there are a number of seats open on several Boards and Committees. If anyone is interested they should go to the City website to fill out an application.

City Manager Huff commented that the city has received complaints about the City Commission Meeting being hard to view on the replay. A new piece of equipment was needed to provide a

better picture, and it just came in and will be installing it soon. This should help the picture on the replay in the future, stated City Manager Huff.

COMMISSIONERS COMMENT

Commissioner Vogt congratulated Bob Bloom and Duane Novotny on their retirements and wished them many happy years.

Commissioner Lee thanked all the young people for coming to the City Commission meetings, acknowledging a young man in the audience . It is nice to have our youth involved in City Government, stated Commissioner Lee.

Commissioner Short stated in light of the recent school shooting tragedy in Florida, he wanted citizens to know the Piqua Police Department has a very active program in the Piqua Schools. The Police Department have done numerous trainings with the staff and students to know how to act in any situation.

Mayor Hinds thanked Commissioner Short for mentioning this and all of our thoughts and prayers are with the families in Florida.

Mayor Hinds announced there is a Black History Event at Edison State on Tuesday, February 27, from 6:00 to 8:00 P.M.

Mayor Hinds stated she will be at Springcreek School on March 1, handing out student awards.

Mayor Hinds stated she spoke the Piqua Chamber Leadership Meeting.

Mayor Hinds announced the Piqua Indian Station TV Station Local Channel 5 is up and running and will be providing new programs. The first new program is the Mayor interviewing the students and staff who are providing the programing.

Motion made by Commissioner Vogt to adjourn from the Regular Commission Meeting at 7:20 P.M. seconded by Commissioner Martin, motion was carried unanimously.

KATHRYN B. HINDS, MAYOR

PASSED: _____

ATTEST: _____

REBECCA J. COOL
CLERK OF COMMISSION