

**PIQUA CITY COMMISSION  
MINUTES  
Tuesday, August 6 2019  
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.

Roll Call as follows: Present: Mayor Hinds, Commissioners Lee, Grissom and Martin. Absent: Commissioner Vogt.

Commissioner Martin made a motion to excuse Commissioner Vogt, seconded by Commissioner Grissom. Motion carried unanimously.

**OATH OF OFFICE**

Fourth Ward Commissioner James C. "Chris" Grissom was sworn in by Mayor Hinds

**ANNOUNCEMENTS**

Bill Jaqua, 607 N. Sunset Drive wanted to advise that two chefs would be coming to the Piqua downtown, being Chef Todd (Lock Tenders) and Chef Adam Lange (River Rock Grill).

Jeff Lange, 9586 St. Rt. 66 expressed appreciation for the 2019 clean sweep of the Great Miami River sponsors, listing the individual participants and reported that 5,120 pounds of trash was pulled out of the river and this was a record low.

Mr. Lange also wanted to express appreciation to Walmart for their donation of supplies with regard to the graffiti clean up of the bridge under the I-75 by-pass and to Barrett Paving for the filling of rut holes under the bridge at Miami River Road

**RESIDENCE PRIDE AWARDS**

Mayor Hinds recognized the following property owners which have received the Residence Pride Awards. None of the recipients were in attendance at the Commission meeting. Mayor Hinds thanked these residents for fixing up their homes and encouraging the rest of us to do the same.

Brittany & Nicholas Brown	618 W. Ash Street
Tina & Mark Dowty	1040 Broadway Street
Brenda & Richard Rhodes	1407 Garfield Street
Connie & Dennis Dowell	410 Staunton Street
Beth Kazer/Sue Teach	520 N. Wayne Street

**CONSENT AGENDA**

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

Approval of the Minutes from the July 16, 2019 Regular City Commission Meeting

Commissioner Martin moved for the approval of the Consent Agenda; motion was seconded by Commissioner Grissom.

Motion was carried unanimously, and Mayor Hinds declared the **Consent Agenda approved.**

**OLD BUSINESS:** There was no old business to discuss at this time.

## **NEW BUSINESS**

### **RES. NO. R-63-19**

A Resolution establishing "Trick or Treat/Beggars' Night" in the City of Piqua

City Manager Huff provided the information with regard to this resolution.

Mayor Hinds asked for any questions or comments from the Commission. There were none  
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Motion was made by Commissioner Lee to adopt Res. No. R-63-19; motion seconded by Commissioner Grissom; motion was carried unanimously and **Mayor Hinds declared Res. No. R-63-19 adopted.**

### **RES. NO. R-64-19**

A Resolution authorizing a purchase order to Cargill, Incorporated for the purchase of road salt for the Street Department

Brian Brookhart, Public Works Director, presented the staff report.

Mayor Hinds asked for any questions or comments from the Commission.

Commissioner Martin inquired as to what would happen if we were in need of over 2,000 tons of salt.

Mr. Brookhart responded that we can purchase more, the 2,000 ton amount was just an approximation.

City Manager Huff stated that we would ask for more bids.

Mayor Hinds asked for any questions or comments from the Public. There were none.

Motion was made by Commissioner Martin to adopt Res. No. R-64-19; motion seconded by Commissioner Lee; motion was carried unanimously and **Mayor Hinds declared Res. No. R-64-19 adopted.**

### **RES. NO. R-65-19**

A Resolution authorizing a purchase order to Lebanon Ford for the purchase of a Ford F-450 Cab & Chassis

Shane Johnson, Underground Utilities Superintendent, presented the staff report.

Mayor Hinds asked for any questions or comments from the Commission.

Commissioner Martin inquired as to the advantage of having a crew cab.

Mr. Johnson replied that a crew cab would not be accommodating.

Mayor Hinds replied it would cost \$3,000 more if we got crew cabs and that was affirmed by Mr. Johnson.

Mayor Hinds asked for any questions or comments from the Public.

Kevin Jenkins, 619 N. Downing Street inquired as to the usage of the truck and if it is actually needed.

City Manager Huff stated it would be used to help lift pumps – it is a safety issue and was needed from a safety standpoint.

Motion was made by Commissioner Lee to adopt Res. No. R-65-19; motion seconded by Commissioner Martin; motion was carried unanimously and **Mayor Hinds declared Res. No. R-65-19 adopted.**

RES. NO. R-66-19

A Resolution authorizing a purchase order to Ace Truck Body, Inc. for the purchase of a Crane Body

Shane Johnson, Underground Utilities Superintendent, presented the staff report.

Mayor Hinds asked for any questions or comments from the Commission.

Mayor Hinds confirmed this was the lowest bid.

Mayor Hinds asked for any questions or comments from the Public. There were none.

Motion was made by Commissioner Martin to adopt Res. No. R-66-19; motion seconded by Commissioner Grissom; motion was carried unanimously and **Mayor Hinds declared Res. No. R-66-19 adopted.**

RES. NO. R-67-19

A Resolution authorizing the lease of portions of 8620 North County Road 25A

Shane Johnson, Underground Utilities Superintendent, presented the staff report.

Mayor Hinds asked for any questions or comments from the Commission.

Commissioner Martin questioned the monthly lease amount.

Mr. Johnson replied it was \$3,750 per month.

City Manager Huff stated that the Underground Utility Department was moved to this location from the nuclear power plant, that it would be too cost prohibitive to go back to that facility as well as the future of the nuclear plant may include demolition.

Motion was made by Commissioner Lee to adopt Res. No. R-67-19; motion seconded by Commissioner Martin; motion was carried unanimously and **Mayor Hinds declared Res. No. R-67-19 adopted.**

RES. NO. R-68-19

A Resolution authorizing a purchase order to Gametime/DWA Recreation, Inc. for the purchase of a playground structure for Pitsenbarger Park

Brian Brookhart, Public Works Director, presented the staff report.

Mayor Hinds inquired as to the location in the park of the new equipment

Mr. Brookhart responded it would be placed in the small playground structure next to McKinley Avenue in close proximity to the existing playground area.

Mayor Hinds stated we are replacing the old equipment due to safety issues with this first class equipment.

Mayor Hinds asked for any questions or comments from the Public.

Ruth Koon, 1307 Park Avenue wanted to express thanks to Edna Stiefel who was instrumental in getting the playground equipment project completed and Chris Lee for all his assistance in moving this forward.

Motion was made by Commissioner Martin to adopt Res. No. R-68-19; motion seconded by Commissioner Grissom; motion was carried unanimously and **Mayor Hinds declared Res. No. R-68-19 adopted.**

RES. NO. R-69-19

A Resolution authorizing a purchase order to Kenworth of Dayton/Palmer Trucks for the purchase of (2) Kenworth 2020 T370 Municipal Snow Plow Trucks including Snow Removal Equipment

Brian Brookhart, Public Works Director, presented the staff report.

Mayor Hinds asked if we would be trading the other trucks in.

Mr. Brookhart stated that we would be keeping the trucks to be used exclusively for leaf pick up.

Mayor Hinds asked for any questions or comments from the Commission. There were none.  
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Motion was made by Commissioner Lee to adopt Res. No. R-69-19; motion seconded by Commissioner Martin; motion was carried unanimously and **Mayor Hinds declared Res. No. R-69-19 adopted.**

RES. NO. R-70-19

A Resolution authorizing a purchase order to Buckeye Ford for the purchase of (3) 2019 Ford F250 Pickup Trucks

Brian Brookhart, Public Works Director, presented the staff report.

Mayor Hinds asked for any questions or comments from the Commission.

Commissioner Martin asked if these trucks were diesel.

Mr. Brookhart responded that they were not.

Mayor Hinds asked for any questions or comments from the Public. There were none.

Motion was made by Commissioner Martin to adopt Res. No. R-70-19; motion seconded by Commissioner Lee; motion was carried unanimously and **Mayor Hinds declared Res. No. R-70-19 adopted.**

RES. NO. R-71-19

A Resolution to levy assessments to pay for the cost of Nuisance Abatements

Amy Welker, Director of Health & Sanitation, presented the staff report.

Mayor Hinds asked for any questions or comments from the Commission.

Commissioner Martin commented that it would be less expensive for the citizens to hire someone other than the City to do this maintenance.

Mayor Hinds asked for any questions or comments from the Public. There were none.

Motion was made by Commissioner Martin to adopt Res. No. R-71-19; motion seconded by Commissioner Grissom; motion was carried unanimously and **Mayor Hinds declared Res. No. R-71-19 adopted.**

### **PUBLIC COMMENT**

Bill Jaqua, 607 N. Sunset Drive commented on the police responses to the Oregon District and expressed appreciation for the police department

Commissioner Lee commented on the actions and professionalism of the responding officers.

Leah Berry, 406 W. High Street expressed concerns with the intersection of Main and High Streets with regard to the “go arounds” to the right when a vehicle is turning left.

Mayor Hinds expressed concern for the pedestrians crossing the street at that intersection as well stating that there is an issue with regard to traffic yielding to pedestrians.

Ruth Koon, 1307 Park Avenue commented on the Friends of Piqua Parks landscaping on E. St. Rt. 36. Ms. Koon also expressed concern over the weed issues on the Piqua sign on South County Road 25A and the remaining trailers on N. St. Rt. 66 as far as aesthetics for those entering and exiting the City of Piqua. Ms. Koon also inquired as to the possibility of applying “imminent domain” to the properties on St. Rt. 66

Law Director Patrizio responded that the location of the trailers on St. RT. 66 were outside the City of Piqua, as well as we would need a purpose for an imminent domain.

City Manager Huff stated that we should give the county the opportunity to clean it up first.

Ruth Koon then thanked City Manager Huff for the City’s support of the Friends of Piqua Parks.

### **CITY MANAGER’S REPORT**

City Manager Huff had nothing to report at this time.

### **COMMISSIONERS’ COMMENTS**

Commissioner Martin thanked the volunteers if the City of Piqua.

Commissioner Lee stated that tonight was the “National Night Out” and encouraged citizens to participate in the activities after the meeting concluded. Commissioner Lee welcomed Chris Grissom as newly appointed commissioner and Logan Welbaum as the newest addition to the Piqua Police force. Commissioner Lee also took a moment to reflect upon the recently occurring shooting event in Dayton, and reminded citizens to watch for school children as school would be starting soon.

Commissioner Grissom expressed his appreciation for being appointed to the Commission and stated that he is looking forward to working with citizens and the commissioners.

Mayor Hinds mentioned Kayla Miller who is the nurse who responded in Dayton during the horrific incident and expressed a huge thank you to Ms. Miller for her efforts and that we are thinking and praying for them. Mayor Hinds also expressed thanks to the responding police officers.

Mayor Hinds further comments/announcements:

The Government Academy is starting up on Monday, September 9, 2019 at 6:00 to continue every Monday night thereafter for 11 weeks.

Read with the Mayor – Monday, August 12 at 10:00 a.m. to be held at Fountain Park.

Down a River Down a Beer will be held at the old power plant this Saturday.

New Teacher lunch to be held Thursday.

Bike Piqua Slow Roll – Monday at 6:00 p.m.

Rock Piqua – Saturday, August 17<sup>th</sup> at Canal Place.

Schools are starting

Joint Work Session – Thursday at Hobart Brother at 6:00 p.m. to discuss the Lo Dam in our rivers.

**ADJOURNMENT**

Motion made by Commissioner Martin to adjourn from the Regular City Commission Meeting at 7:00 p.m. motion seconded by Commissioner Lee, motion carried unanimously.

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KATHRYN B. HINDS, MAYOR

PASSED: \_\_\_\_\_

ATTEST: \_\_\_\_\_  
KAREN S. JENKINS  
CLERK OF COMMISSION