

MINUTES
REGULAR PIQUA CITY COMMISSION MEETING
Tuesday, March 16, 2021
5:00 P.M.

Piqua City Commission met at 5:00 P.M. in the Municipal Government Complex Commission Chambers located at 201 W. Water Street. The meeting was also held via Zoom. Mayor Lee called the meeting to order.

Roll Call as follows: Present: Mayor Lee, Commissioner Hinds, Commissioner Grissom, Commissioner Pearson and Commissioner Fogt.

ADJOURNMENT TO EXECUTIVE SESSION

To prepare for and review negotiations on compensation or other terms and conditions of employment for City personnel

Commissioner Hinds moved to go into Executive Session, seconded by Commissioner Fogt. The Commissioners went into Executive Session at 5:02 p.m.

EXECUTIVE SESSION ADJOURNMENT

Commissioner Fogt seconded by Commissioner Grissom to adjourn from the Executive Session at 5:45 p.m.

CONSENT AGENDA

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Approval of the minutes from the March 2, 2021 Regular Piqua City Commission Meeting

RESOLUTION NO. R-23-21

A RESOLUTION OF APPRECIATION FOR THE PUBLIC SERVICE OF DEBORAH A. STEIN AS A CITY EMPLOYEE

RESOLUTION NO. R-24-21

A RESOLUTION APPOINTING A MEMBER TO THE MIAMI VALLEY REGIONAL PLANNING COMMISSION

RESOLUTION NO. R-25-21

A RESOLUTION REAPPOINTING AN ALTERNATE MEMBER TO THE MIAMI VALLEY REGIONAL PLANNING COMMISSION

RESOLUTION NO. R-26-21

A RESOLUTION REAPPOINTING AN ALTERNATE MEMBER TO THE MIAMI VALLEY REGIONAL PLANNING COMMISSION TECHNICAL ADVISORY COMMITTEE

RESOLUTION NO. R-27-21

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PROCLAMATION – WOMEN'S HISTORY MONTH

Commissioner Lee recited a Proclamation acknowledging March as Women's History Month.

Commissioner Fogt moved for approval of the Consent Agenda; motion was seconded by Commissioner Pearson. Motion carried unanimously, Mayor Lee declared the Consent Agenda approved.

NEW BUSINESS

RESOLUTION NO. R-28-21

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING CONTINUED WASTEWATER BIOSOLIDS TO DISPOSAL AT CHEROKEE RUN LANDFILL IN BELLEFONTAINE (REPUBLIC SERVICES)

Kevin Krejny, Director of Utilities presented the staff report.

Mayor Lee inquired if the presentation exhibits could be posted to the website for citizen viewing. Mr. Krejny stated that reports would be posted (and updated) quarterly to the website.

There were no further questions or comments with regard to this resolution.

Motion was made by Commissioner Pearson to adopt RES NO. R-28-21; motion was seconded by Commissioner Hinds. Motion carried unanimously, Mayor Lee declared RES NO. R-28-21 adopted.

RESOLUTION NO. R-29-21

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING A PURCHASE ORDER TO SHERRY CHRYSLER FOR THE PURCHASE OF THREE DODGE DURANGO PURSUIT VEHICLES

Tom Steiner, Deputy Chief presented the staff report.

There was a brief discussion with regard to the purchase being from a local dealership, the amount of mileage and idle hours on replaced vehicles, the variety of options and the choice of Ford vehicles.

There were no further questions or comments with regard to this resolution.

Motion was made by Commissioner Grissom to adopt RES NO. R-29-21; motion was seconded by Commissioner Hinds. Motion carried unanimously, Mayor Lee declared RES NO. R-29-21 adopted.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Valerie Mullikin provided information with regard to the non-profit organization providing services to veterans called Operation Veteran and Caregiver Support, including fundraising, services and upcoming events.

Jey Roman provided information about organizing events to encourage local voter registration (in Piqua and Miami County).

CITY MANAGER'S REPORT

City Manager Oberdorfer responded to the question/issue from the last meeting with regard to snow and ice removal on the bike paths. He stated that the bike paths will be included in the snow and ice removal plan for next year. Mr. Oberdorfer also gave a presentation on the Main Street traffic control plan.

COMMISSIONERS COMMENT

Commissioner Hinds offered congratulations to Debbie Stein for her years of service to the City of Piqua.

Commissioner Grissom stated he has been contacted by a citizen with regard to seniors struggling to sign up for the COVID vaccine. He stated that the City will post a list of locations and phone numbers on the website tomorrow and to please feel free to call the Health Department. He also provided a marijuana dispensary update stating that there is a general need for more dispensaries; there is a need for Ohio to allow for more applications. He stated he would like to re-visit the issue of a DORA (Designated Outdoor Recreation Area) implementation in Piqua. He talked about the utility software updates and progress, how the Commissioners are working on better ways to communicate with the citizens in an effort to provide more transparency. There is a city website in design that will be designed for easier use by the citizens. The fiber network is being reviewed by the administration. There will be a charter review in the year 2022.

Commissioner Pearson informed that OHIOMEANSJOBS.COM has been updated and there are a huge amount of job opportunities. She also stated that the Commissioners are working on transparency issues and the Commissioners are hoping to make themselves available one night a month starting in May for an open forum/town hall type meeting at the gazebo with a single commissioner.

Commissioner Fogt thanked Debbie Stein for her service to the City. He also provided a media rollouts update, building departmental relationships and the need to be sure that all media rollouts need to be in compliance with the Sunshine Law guidelines.

Mayor Lee stated that the commissioners are working on projects for the benefit of the citizens and that lots of good things are going on in Piqua. Thank you to Debbie Stein for her service. Thank you to Paul Oberdorfer for doing a fantastic job, making changes for the better and his open door policy. Mayor Lee stated that there is trending more openness and transparency from the Commission. Mayor Lee stated that with regard to the swimming pool issue that the City is waiting on the final report and that the Parks Board will make a presentation most likely by next month.

ADJOURNMENT

Motion was made by Commissioner Fogt to adjourn from the Regular City Commission Meeting at 6:30 p.m. Motion was seconded by Commissioner Grissom. Motion carried unanimously. The Regular Commission meeting was adjourned.



KRIS LEE, MAYOR

PASSED: 4/6/21

ATTEST: Karen S. Jenkins
KAREN S. JENKINS
CLERK OF COMMISSION