

CITY OF PERRY REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING
PERRY COMMUNITY BUILDING

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REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING HELD ON FEBRUARY 6, 2020
INVOCATION PRESENTED BY PASTOR MOLLIE LOVEALL FROM NEW HOPE
PENTECOSTAL CHURCH OF GOD

PRESENT: COUNCILMEMBERS, KRAIG ELLIOTT, MINDY GALBAVI,
ADAM GRASS, CHRISTOPHER POWELL, TERRY WOOD;
MAYOR, JAMES HUGUELET AND CITY CLERK DEVIN MILLER

ABSENT: COUNCILMEMBER, MICHAEL QUEEN

ALSO PRESENT: SUPT. DPW, JOHN SOUDER
STUDIO 130, ALEX MALLOY

Mayor Huguelet called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.
Mayor led the Pledge of Allegiance.

APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA:

02-06-20-01

Moved by Elliott, seconded by Powell that the agenda be adopted as
printed. Carried, all yes.

READING AND APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES:

02-06-20-02

Moved by Wood, seconded by Powell that we suspend the rules, waive the
reading and approve the minutes from the January 23, 2020 special
meeting. Carried, all yes.

COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC:

Resident shared information regarding the wireless industry and gave
a sample ordinance for Council to consider.

COMMUNICATIONS:

Letter of Resignation was read from Councilmember Michael Queen.

MAYOR & DEPARTMENT HEAD REPORTS:

MAYOR reminded residents that during winter weather you must keep
sidewalks clear and warned that tickets will be issued between 3am to
6am if your vehicle is parked in the right of way.

SUPT. OF DPW, JOHN SOUDER reported DPW has done 220 Miss Digs, 3 new
water services and asked the public to not flush foreign objects into
the sewer main.

CLERK, DEVIN MILLER reported that the Planning Commission has
submitted a zoning ordinance amendment and the City millage for SATA
will expire and Council will need to consider putting this on a
ballot or not this year.

PRESENTATION AND APPROVAL OF THE BILLS:

02-06-20-03

Moved by Wood, seconded by Powell that we approve the bills as
presented and that payment be authorized. Carried, all yes.

OLD BUSINESS :

None.

NEW BUSINESS :

Possible Approval to Accept Letter of Resignation

02-06-20-04

Moved by Elliott, seconded by Powell that we accept the resignation of Michael Queen from City Council effective immediately, with regrets. Discussion. Carried, all yes.

Mayor's Appointments

The Mayor appointed Genevieve Cottrell, 131 Horace St., to the vacant City Council seat.

02-06-20-05

Moved by Elliott, seconded by Galbavi that we approve the Mayor's appointment of Genevieve Cottrell to vacant Council seat, term expiring December 1, 2020. Discussion. Carried, all yes.

Genevieve was sworn in and took her place at the Council Table.

Mayor read a letter from Bob Ottke and Bob Porter which shared their experiences working with Genevieve Cottrell.

The Mayor appointed Genevieve Cottrell to be Mayor Pro-Tem.

Possible Approval of Poverty Exemption Resolution

02-06-20-06

Moved by Elliott, seconded by Galbavi that we accept and approve the following resolution:

WHEREAS the adoption of guidelines for poverty exemptions is required of the City Council; and

WHEREAS, the principal residence of persons, who the Assessor and Board of Review determines by reason of poverty to be unable to contribute to the public charge, is eligible for exemption in whole or in part from taxation under Public Act 390 of 1994(MCL211.7u); and

WHEREAS, pursuant to PA 390 of 1994, that City of Perry, Shiawassee County adopts the following guidelines for the Board of Review to implement. The guidelines shall include but not be limited to the specific income and asset levels of the claimant and all persons residing in the household, including any property tax credit returns, filed in the current or immediately preceding year;

To be eligible, a person shall do all the following on an annual basis:

1. Be an owner of and occupy as a principal residence the property for which an exemption is requested.
2. File a claim with the Assessor or Board of Review, accompanied by federal and state income tax returns for all persons residing in the principal residence, including any property tax credit returns filed in the immediately preceding year or in the current

year or a signed State Tax Commission Form 4988, *Poverty Exemption Affidavit*.

3. File a claim reporting that the combined assets of all persons do not exceed the current guidelines. Assets include but are not limited to, real estate other than the principal residence, personal property, motor vehicles, recreational vehicles and equipment, certificates of deposit, savings accounts, checking accounts, stocks, bonds, life insurance, retirement funds, etc.
4. Produce a valid driver's license or other form of identification if requested.
5. Produce, if requested, a deed, land contract, or other evidence of ownership of the property for which an exemption is requested.
6. Meet the federal poverty income guidelines as defined and determined annually by the United States Department of Health and Human Services or alternative guidelines adopted by the governing body providing the alternative guidelines do not provide eligibility requirements less than the federal guidelines.
7. The application for an exemption shall be filed after January 1, but one day prior to the last day of the December Board of Review. The filing of this claim constitutes an appearance before the Board of Review for the purpose of preserving the right of appeal to the Michigan Tax Tribunal.

The following are the 2020 federal poverty income guidelines which are updated annually by the United States Department of Health and Human Services. The annual allowable income includes income for all persons residing in the principal residence.

Federal Poverty Guidelines Used in the Determination of Poverty Exemptions

Size of Family Unit	2020 Poverty Guidelines
1	\$12,490
2	\$16,910
3	\$21,330
4	\$25,750
5	\$30,170
6	\$34,590
7	\$39,010
8	\$43,430
For each additional person	\$4,420

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED that the Assessor and Board of Review shall follow the above stated policy and federal guidelines in granting or denying an exemption, unless the Board of Review determines there are substantial and compelling reasons why there should be a deviation from the policy and federal guidelines and these reasons are communicated in writing to the claimant.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, if asset levels exceed the items/amounts below, the individual/property owner shall not be eligible for a Property Tax Poverty Exemption.

1. The homestead being claimed and personal property used in connection with the use and occupancy of the homestead.
 2. All assets up to a cumulative dollar value of \$25,000.
- Carried, all yes.

Possible Approval of Proposal to Replace Lights for 3-Floor

02-06-20-07

Moved by Elliott, seconded by Galbavi that we authorize payment to Win's Electrical Supply Co. for an amount not to exceed \$1822.48 to replace the Lights on 3-Floor of the City Community Room. Carried, all yes.

Possible Approval of Proposal to Refurbish Flooring for 3-Floor

02-06-20-08

Moved by Galbavi, seconded by Elliott to approve the quote from Knieper Wood Floors, Inc. to refurbish community room wood floors with a semi-gloss finish for an amount not to exceed \$2600.00. Carried, all yes.

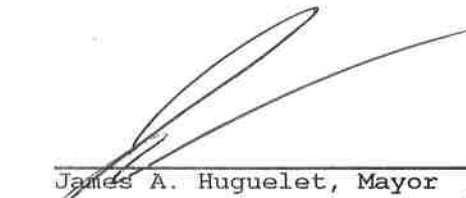

ANY OTHER BUSINESS THAT MAY COME BEFORE COUNCIL:

Resident shared concerns about LED light and shared her explanation of a letter received from the City Attorney.

COUNCIL DISCUSSIONS & OBSERVATIONS:

Powell welcomed Genevieve Cottrell as new councilmember. Genevieve Cottrell thanked everyone for the warm welcome.

ADJOURNMENT: 7:38 P.M.

 <hr style="border: 0; border-top: 1px solid black;"/> James A. Huguelet, Mayor	2/10/20 <hr style="border: 0; border-top: 1px solid black;"/> Date
 <hr style="border: 0; border-top: 1px solid black;"/> Devin Miller, Clerk	2/11/20 <hr style="border: 0; border-top: 1px solid black;"/> Date