

MINUTES
PERRY COMMUNITY BUILDING

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Regular City Council meeting held on February 15, 2024.

Invocation presented by:

Call to Order:

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

Roll Call:

Mayor Hammond, Mayor Pro-Tem, Larry Lambert. Councilmembers Mike Connell, Bob Porter, Keena Dunn and Jacob Puffer.

Absent: Chad Fuller, Council excused.

Also present: City Clerk, Shirley Smith, Police Chief, Kyle Bawks, Treasurer, Meggen Galbreath and Studio 123, Alex Malloy.

Approval of Agenda:

02-15-2024-01

Moved by Connell, seconded by Porter that the agenda be adopted as printed.

Carried: all yes.

Council Meeting Minutes of February 1, 2024:

02-15-2024-02

Moved by Porter, second by Lambert that we suspend the rules, waive the reading and approve the minutes from the February 1, 2024 regular meeting.

Carried: all yes.

Preapproved Reports or Presentations:

None.

Public Comment:

None.

Communications:

Shirley Smith reported no communications, but wanted to remind everyone that there are three four-year seats and one two-year seat for Council and the Mayor seat is open for a two-year term. Reminded everyone of the Primary Election set for Tuesday, February 27, 2024.

Mayor Reports:

Mayor Hammond reported that Elisa Slotkin's office who was trying to help with a grant for the tornado rebuild emailed her and told her there is nothing that we qualify for at this time.

Committee Reports:

Larry Lambert reported the Planning Commission activities around the Master Plan draft. Comments have been made to McKenna, the draft will then be updated and then Council will receive a copy to review. Larry would like to maybe have a separate meeting to review with both the Planning Commission and Council.

Presentation and Approval of Bills:

02-15-2024-03

Moved by Lambert, seconded by Puffer that we approve the bills as presented and that payment be authorized.

Carried: all yes.

Old Business:

None.

New Business:

1. Mayor Appointments:

02-15-2024-04

Mayor Hammond reappointed Genevieve Cottrell to the Planning Commission with a term expiring January 1, 2025.

Moved by Connell, seconded by Porter that we approve the Mayor's reappointment of Genevieve Cottrell to the Planning Commission with a term expiring January 1, 2025.

Carried: all yes.

Mayor Hammond reappointed Gerrad Leitelt to the Planning Commission with a term expiring January 1, 2025.

Moved by Lambert, seconded by Connell that we approve the Mayor's reappointment of Gerrad Leitelt to the Planning Commission with a term expiring January 1, 2025.

Carried: all yes.

2. Possible approval of email migration with VC3:

02-15-2024-05

Moved by Lambert, seconded by Porter that we approve the email migration with VC3 in an amount not to exceed \$3,620.00 to perform the email migration. We also approve the additional \$275.00 per month for the maintenance fee. We authorize the Chief of Police and/or the Clerk to sign the agreement.

Carried: all yes.

3. Possible approval of SEDP support:

02-15-2024-06

Moved by Connell, seconded by Lambert that we shall approve the 2024 renewal with SEDP to the partner level for an amount not to exceed \$1000.00 and authorize the Mayor and/or the Clerk to sign the agreement.

Carried: all yes.

4. Possible approval of budget meeting dates:

02-15-2024-07

Discussion to set the first work session for the 2024/2025 Budget.

Council discussed dates for the budget meeting. Decided the budget work session will be April 4, 2024, 5 pm.

5. Possible approved to take donation sign down:

02-15-2024-08

Moved by Lambert, seconded by Connell that we have DPW remove the disaster relief donation sign from display on Main Street and other locations it may have been posted.

Carried: all yes.

6. Possible approval of Resolution to set public hearing – Public Safety Special Assessment:

02-15-2024-09

Moved by Puffer, seconded by Connell that approve the following resolution:

WHEREAS, the Perry City Council has determined that a special assessment is necessary and proper to defray the cost to the City of providing public safety service to the parcels of property within the City benefitted by public safety service.

THEREFORE, the City of Perry does hereby propose to create a Special Assessment District of the property benefitted by said public safety service, consisting of all improved parcels of property within the Perry City limits.

The City of Perry does hereby determine to hold a hearing on the estimate of the cost of public safety service and on the question of creating a Special Assessment District on the property to be especially benefitted. Said hearing shall be held on the 21st day of March, 2024 at 7:15 p.m.

The City Assessor is directed to complete the plans and estimates for services to be funded by special assessment.

The City Clerk is directed to mail notice of said hearing by first class mail to each owner of or party in interest in the property located within the proposed special assessment district whose name appears upon the last local tax assessment records of the City at least ten (10) days before the date of said hearing.

The City Clerk is further directed to publish in a newspaper of general circulation in the City a notice of said hearing. Said publication shall be published not less than five (5) days before the hearing.

Carried: all yes.

Any Other Business That May Come Before Council:

Yard sale discussion: the decision was made to keep yard sale weekend

May 17th – May 19th.

Clean up week will be scheduled for May 20th – May 31st. DPW will make sure the dumpsters are available for residents to bring items to drop off. Closed on Memorial Day, May 27th.

Council Discussion & Observations:

None.

Public Comment:

None.

Agenda Items For Next Meeting:

1. Personnel Committee report.

Meeting Adjourned: 8:04 pm

Susan J. Hammond, Mayor

Shirley Smith, City Clerk