

CITY OF PERRY MINUTES
PERRY COMMUNITY BUILDING

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Regular City Council meeting held on January 18, 2024.

Invocation presented by: Mayor Hammond.

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, and Studio 123, Alex Malloy.

Approval of Agenda:

01-18-24-01

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

Carried: all yes.

Council Meeting Minutes of January 4, 2024:

01-18-24-02

Moved by Lambert, second by Porter that we suspend the rules, waive the reading and approve the minutes from the January 4, 2024 regular meeting.

Carried: all yes.

Preapproved Reports or Presentations:

Lori Haven, Superintendent Perry Public Schools spoke on the new Proposal on the February 27, 2024 election ballot.

Public Comment:

None.

Communications:

Shirley Smith handed out the dates City Hall is closed for holidays.

Mayor Reports:

Mayor Hammond reported she spoke with Jerney from Congresswomen Slotken's office, he gave her possible grant opportunities that may help DPW with the barn rebuild. She also applied for the Consumers Energy Foundation PITCH Competition Grant. It's called Put Your Town on the Map. She also reported for Kevin Tyler that it

would be \$3000 to replace the gutters on the east side of the building. He will have more information at the February 1, 2024 meeting. Bob Porter was in the Argus Press regarding the sledding hill and the sleds we have for kids to use.

Committee Reports:

Mike Connell reported on the Personnel Committee meeting from January 8, 2024, regarding Superintendent Kevin Tyler.

Larry Lambert reported there will be a few items on the agenda for the next meeting, but did not give a date.

Jacob Puffer reported they are going to brainstorm beautification ideas at the January 29, 2024 Parks Meeting.

Presentation and Approval of Bills:

01-18-23-03

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

Carried: all yes.

Old Business:

None.

New Business:

1. Site Plan information from Planning Commission:

01-18-24-04

John and Roy Liskey presented a picture of what the site will look like with a building there. He explained a few items on the picture. The site plan was approved on January 8, 2024 at the Planning Commission meeting.

2. Discuss COPS Grant – security upgrade:

01-18-24-05

This in in process. There is not new information at this time.

3. Resolution DPW Supervisor pay increase:

01-18-24-06

Moved by Connell, seconded by Porter that we approve the following resolution:

WHEREAS the City hired Kevin Tyler as DPW Superintendent on October 3, 2022; and

WHEREAS, the City made an exception upon hiring that Kevin Tyler had one year to obtain his L2, L1 Municipal Wastewater Treatment Plant Operator’s Certification; and

WHEREAS, as a result on December 8, 2023, Kevin Tyler completed his certification to obtain his L2, L1 Municipal Wastewater Treatment Plant Operator’s Certification;

THEREFORE, IT IS RESOLVED THAT Kevin Tyler shall receive a \$0.50 per hour raise effective January 18, 2024.

Carried: all yes.

4. Discuss M-52 property

Nothing to discuss at this time. Prospective buyer is out of town and the City has not been able to make contact with them yet.

5. Council members election/reelection:

Shirley Smith made the council members aware of the seats that would be open for reelection. There will be a two-year Mayor seat, three, four-year council seats open and one, two year – partial term council seat open.

Any Other Business That May Come Before Council:

None.

Council Discussion & Observations:

None.

Agenda Items For Next Meeting:

City Hall gutter issue – east side of building.

COPS grant information.

Budget information – from Mayor.

Meeting Adjourned: 7:52 pm

Susan J. Hammond, Mayor

Shirley Smith, City Clerk