

**MEETING MINUTES**

Monday, February 7, 2011

Invocation was given by Commissioner Norm Brunson.

Present on Roll Call: Mayor Tom Meeks, Commissioners - Jack Emmons, Norman Brunson,  
C. Michael Witters and William C. Hudson

Also Present: City Clerk Rudy Witsman and City Attorney Tom Price

**MAYORS COMMENTS**

Mayor Tom Meeks brought the city council meeting to order. Mayor Meeks presented Kaleb Applebey an Outstanding Achievement Plaque from the city for being the National Champion of the NFL Pump-Pass Kick competition for the 6 and 7 years old division held in Atlanta Georgia.

**IN OTHER BUSINESS**

**COMMISSIONER REPORTS:**

**COMMISSIONER JACK EMMONS – FINANCE AND SENIOR CITIZENS**

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| Cash Investment Balance as of 01-25-11  | \$670,109.62   |
| Receipts:                               | \$234,498.73   |
| Expenditures:                           | \$275,928.33   |
| Cash Investment Balance 02/07/09:       | \$628,680.02   |
| Recreation Fund:                        | \$ 17,533.32   |
| Receipt                                 | \$ -0-         |
| Expenditure                             | 482.53         |
| Balance:                                | \$ 17,050.79   |
| Accounts Payable:                       | \$ 66.77       |
| Garbage Fund Account Beginning Balance: | \$176,661.58   |
| Receipts:                               | \$ 18,491.98   |
| Expenditures:                           | \$ 29,260.99   |
| Balance:                                | \$165,892.57   |
| Accounts Payable:                       | \$ 993.59      |
| Airport Fund:                           | \$(42,820.45)  |
| Receipts:                               | \$ 788.85      |
| Expenditures:                           | \$ 2,319.42    |
| Balance:                                | \$(44,351.02)  |
| Accounts Receivable:                    |                |
| Accounts Payable:                       | \$ 2,046.96    |
| Water Fund Account Beginning Balance:   | \$ 89,302.61   |
| Receipts:                               | -0-            |
| Expenditures:                           | -0-            |
| Balance:                                | \$ 105,255.95  |
| Accounts Payable:                       | \$ 16,448.82   |
| Sewer Fund Account:                     | \$ 32,728.80   |
| Receipts:                               | \$ 24,758.69   |
| Expenditures:                           | \$ 24,699.87   |
| Balance:                                | 32,787.62      |
| Accounts Payable:                       | \$ 7,721.78    |
| Golf Course Fund:                       | \$(366,308.08) |
| Receipts:                               | \$ 1,442.00    |
| Expenditures:                           | \$ 16,029.53   |
| Balance:                                | \$(380,895.61) |
| Accounts Payable:                       | \$ 3,238.69    |

**COMMISSIONER MIKE WITTERS – STREETS, CEMETERIES AND PARKS**

Commissioner Mike Witters had no report.

**COMMISSIONER NORMAN BRUNSON – FIRE, HEALTH & SAFETY, GARBAGE, CITY HALL AND CIVIL DEFENSE**

Commissioner Brunson reported that the Fire Department responded to 6 runs in the past 2 weeks.

**COMMISSIONER BILL HUDSON – WATER AND SEWER**

Commissioner Hudson stated that January 26 was Rob Windes last day as superintendent of the water and sewer departments, but he has agreed to serve in a consultant role for his replacement at the city sewer department until Josh Peach obtains the Class 1 Operator state license. Commissioner Hudson announced the appointment of Josh Peach to the top post in the sewer department but explained the process for completing the Class I Operator often takes two to three years. Commissioner Hudson said water department employees, Mary Duckett and Bill Miller will guide water department operation responsibilities previously handled by Mr. Windes.

Two sewer lift stations were repaired in the Ficklin and Pecan streets areas and another one replaced on outer 9<sup>th</sup> Street. A pump was replaced at the Skiles Building, also.

Commissioner Hudson stated that the water department crews installed 60 feet of main on the Columbus Drive area, also doing work at two locations on Lambert Drive and one location on Westwood Drive.

Commissioner Hudson stated that the water department will begin a random replacement of water meters, beginning February 8. This work is being done in conjunction with the Energy Systems Group (ESG) study regarding water meter accuracy.

**Administrative Assistant Rudy Witsman**

Administrative Assistant Rudy Witsman announced the scheduled March 21 meeting of the city council will be moved to March 22 to accommodate a candidates forum planned at Wabash Valley College on March 21. The city election will be on April 5, when a mayor and four commissioners will be elected to 4-year terms of office.

Administrative Assistant Rudy Witsman said the city hopes to save taxpayers over \$100,000 of an estimated cost the municipality could experience while achieving satisfactory flood levee inspections. The work is ongoing, including updating of operations manuals, culvert inspections, elevations reports and other details needed by the Federal Emergency Management Agency to certify the levee system. The levees are an insurance benefit, especially for properties in the flood plain areas.

**City Attorney Tom Price**

No Report.

**BUSINESS MOTIONS**

Commissioner Hudson motioned to approve to pay all bills, seconded by Commissioner Brunson. All Present voted Aye.

Commissioner Emmons motioned to approve minutes of last City Council Meeting, seconded by Commissioner Hudson. All present voted Aye.

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**Mayor**  
ATTEST:

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**City Clerk**