

City of Utica
Regular Council Meeting
December 8, 2009

Mayor Noonan called the meeting to order at 6:50 p.m.

Members present: Figurski, Kraft, Baker, Barthelmeh, Osladil, Noonan
Absent: Sikora

Executive Session

Motion by Barthelmeh, seconded by Osladil, to adjourn to executive session to discuss personnel issues. Voting by roll, all ayes, motion **CARRIED**.

The City Council meeting was reconvened by Mayor Noonan, who led the pledge of allegiance at 7:43 p.m.

Minutes of 11/10/09

Motion by Figurski, seconded by Kraft, to approve the minutes of 11/10/09 as presented. Voting all ayes, motion **CARRIED**.

Unfinished Business

None.

Consent Business

Motion by Barthelmeh, seconded by Osladil, to approve the annual MDOT permit for 2010. Voting all ayes, motion **CARRIED**.

Correspondence

Motion by Barthelmeh, seconded by Osladil, to receive and file the correspondence received from Barb Wenzel. Voting all ayes, motion **CARRIED**.

New Business

Department Reports

Mayor Noonan

Health Care Savings

Mayor Noonan presented to council the annual savings achieved from the recent changes to the health plans city-wide. The savings amounted to \$162,228.

P&R Appointment

Motion by Figurski, seconded by Barthelmeh, to appoint Ann Reeves to the Parks and Recreation Commission as recommended by Mayor Noonan. Voting all ayes, motion **CARRIED**.

January Council Meeting

The January meeting will be on January 5, 2010.

Council Reports

Mayor thanked the City Hall staff and the Knights of Columbus catering staff for the wonderful Christmas party; also thanked the Fire Department for the hospitality shown for the Christmas lighting event on Sunday, 12/6/09.

Assessing- Nancy Strehl, Assessor

No report.

Building- Ed Durbin

Temporary Use, Salt Shed on Greeley

Motion by Kraft, seconded by Figurski, to approve the temporary use for a salt shed on Greeley with stipulation that they apply for a permanent structure next spring. Voting all ayes, motion **CARRIED**.

DPW- Bill Lang, Superintendent

Snow Removal Policy

DPW Superintendent Bill Lang indicated that there is concern with the road revenues and he will be keeping a close eye on them; the City may have to look at alternative means of cleaning/plowing the city streets.

Superintendent Lang also acknowledged Suburban Landscape's fine work for the City.

Fire- Kevin Wilseck, Chief

No report.

Police- Mike Reaves, Chief

Tuition Reimbursement

Motion by Barthelmeh, seconded by Kraft, to reimburse the Police Chief 50% of tuition and book costs for completion of his bachelor degree. Voting by roll, all ayes, motion **CARRIED**.

Treasurer- Philip Paternoster

Non-City Taxes

Motion by Osladil, seconded by Figurski, to reaffirm the previous resolution to collect all non-city taxes, including the schools. Voting all ayes, motion **CARRIED**.

Financial Institution

This item is tabled until the January meeting.

Administration- Cathy McGrail, City Clerk

Annual Meeting Schedule and Office Closings

Motion by Osladil, seconded by Barthelmeh, to approve the annual meeting schedule and office closings as presented. Voting all ayes, motion **CARRIED**.

Library- Marsha Doege, Director

Bake Sale, 12/12/09

Library Director Marsha Doege updated all on the upcoming Bake Sale in the Gibbing Room on Saturday, 12/12/09.

Parks and Recreation Commission

No report from the commission. Mayor Noonan thanked Barb Montag and Marie Gratopp for their help on the annual Christmas festival.

Historic District Commission

No report.

City Attorney

OWI Ordinance Amendment

Motion by Barthelmeh, seconded by Baker, to amend the OWI Ordinance due to the recent changes in the law regarding the legal limits of alcohol. Voting all ayes by roll, motion **CARRIED**.

Planning Commission

No report.

Senior Housing Steering Committee

No report.

Brownfield Redevelopment Authority

No report.

Bills Payable

Motion by Figurski, seconded by Noonan, to approve the payment of all bills as presented. Voting all ayes, motion **CARRIED**.

Communication from the Public

Michael Furnari, new owner of the Utica Townhome Center, was present to introduce himself to Council.

Adjournment

Motion by Barthelmeh, seconded by Figurski, to adjourn the meeting. Voting all ayes, motion **CARRIED**. Meeting adjourned at 8:13 p.m.

M. Catherine McGrail
CITY OF UTICA
City Clerk