

Public Notice
Hazleton City Council Meeting
February 18th, 2015

Hazleton City Council meeting held at the City Hall called to order with the pledge of allegiance at 7:00 PM by Mayor VandeVorde. Council members present: Albert, Duffy, Ekstrand, Gertenberger & Miller. Also present: City Clerk Baych, Public Works Loomis & City Attorney Stevens. Mayor VandeVorde asked the agenda be amended to include discussion and possible action under Public Works on possible water main leak on Short Street. Miller/Duffy moved to approve the amended agenda, Roll Call All Ayes, motion carried. Duffy/Albert moved to approve consent agenda: a) January 21st & February 4th, 2015 minutes b) Clerk Report c) Disbursements All Ayes, Motion approved.

PUBLIC HEARING – BUDGET REPORT FOR FISCAL YEAR 2015/2016: Miller/Gerstenberger moved to open the public hearing at 7:06, Roll Call All Ayes, Motion approved. No public input was received. Gerstenberger/Duffy moved to close public hearing at 7:07, All Ayes, Motion carried. Duffy/Ekstrand moved to approve Resolution 15-05 Budget Report and file as required by law, Roll Call, 5 Ayes, No Nays, motion approved.

PUBLIC COMMENT: No public comment

BUCHANAN COUNTY SHERIFF DEPARTMENT: Record of performance for the City of Hazleton 80.98 hours with 73 records. Report on file. Attorney Stevens updated the deputy on the noise complaint that was filed with the courts.

HAZLETON FIRE STATION: Chief Dettbarn commented on the success of the open house, approximately 200 people showed their support. Dettbarn informed council on the cadet program that he would like to implement. He asked Carter to review. He asked the council on their thought regarding relocating the siren from the old station to the new station. He will have actual electrician costs for this relocation for approval at March's meeting.

AMENT ENGINEERING: No report

PUBLIC WORKS: Loomis informed council the trailer on Hayes Street was removed. The RO system in the well house was installed for \$1700.00. A lengthy discussion was held on the possible water main leak on Short Street. Motion by Miller/Duffy to hire Municipal Management Corp to locate the possible leak for \$600.00, Roll Call, All Ayes, motion approved. Miller/Gerstenberger moved to approve Region 1 Operators meeting for Loomis & Seiffert, roll call all ayes, motion approved.

CITY CLERK: Baych informed council the special election will be held March 31st, from 11 a.m. – 8:30 p.m at City Hall. Candidate papers must be turned in by March 6th, 2015 by 5:00 p.m. at the Auditor's office in the Independence Court House. Due to the porting of the telephone number for the city shop, Baych asked if the council had a problem with changing the city shop's telephone number. Council agreed the number can be changed. Baych asked council if City Hall could be closed Friday, February 20th & Monday February 23rd. Signage would be on the door and the answering machine changed to leave emergency contact information. Council approved the closing of City Hall.

COUNCIL DISCUSSION/ACTION: Marty Brown with Brown-Lane Insurance addressed the council on renewing the City Insurance Policy. He provided a breakdown on the insurance cost. City Clerk will provide an updated list of firefighters and EMT's to Mr. Brown. The policy will be on the March agenda for approval. John Berns & John Wandsnider addressed the council on their firm IIW. They provided information of their services. Duffy/Miller moved to approve permission to Seneca Company who was hired by DNR to drill and install groundwater monitoring on City property, Roll call, all ayes, motion carried. Duffy/Gerstenberger moved to approve Resolution 15-06/INRCOG Safety Program. Roll Call, All Ayes, motion approved. Miller/Gerstenberger moved to improve renewing employee Health Insurance Plan, roll call, all ayes, motion approved. Miller/Ekstrand moved to approve placement of a useagain clothes collection system on city property at City Hall, Roll Call, All Ayes motion carried. Duffy/Albert moved to approve appointing Miller, Gertenberger and VandeVorde to a Policy/Administrative Committee, Roll call, All Ayes motion approved.

CITY ATTORNEY REPORT: No report

MAYOR REPORT: Mayor VandeVorde informed council of the Pre-Construction meeting on the bridge replacement. They anticipate the end of March as the starting date of construction and the end of July as the completion date. The City of Hazleton was asked to host a BCED meeting in May.

CLOSING PUBLIC COMMENT: Pat Arthaud informed council on grants available from Keep Iowa Beautiful.

ADJOURN: Miller/Albert moved to adjourn at 8:35 p.m. All Ayes

Lisa Baych/City Clerk

Gerald VandeVorde/Mayor