

Public Notice  
Hazleton City Council Meeting  
April 22<sup>nd</sup>, 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: Duffy, Ekstrand, Gerstenberger & Miller. Albert absent. Also present: City Clerk Baych, Public Works Loomis & City Attorney Stevens. Gerstenberger/Duffy moved to approve the printed agenda, Roll Call All Ayes, motion carried. Duffy/Ekstrand moved to approve consent agenda: a) March 18th, 2015 minutes b) Clerk Report c) Disbursements except for the claim to Miller. Roll Call, All Ayes, Motion approved. Duffy/Ekstrand moved to approve the claim to Miller, Roll call All Ayes, Motion approved. Miller abstained.

PUBLIC HEARING – Amend Fiscal Year 2014/2015 Budget – Miller/Duffy moved to open the public hearing at 7:05, Roll Call, All Ayes. No public comment was made. Miller/Gerstenberger moved to close public hearing at 7:06, Roll Call, All Ayes, Motion carried. Miller/Duffy moved to approve Resolution 15-09 Budget Amendment, Gerstenberger yes, Miller yes, Ekstrand yes, Duffy yes. Motion approved.

PUBLIC COMMENT: No citizen comment

BUCHANAN COUNTY SHERIFF DEPARTMENT: Record of performance for the City of Hazleton 91.67 hours with 81 records. Report on file.

HAZLETON FIRE STATION: Dettbarn informed council the siren has been relocated to the new station. He asked if anything would be done regarding the alley way between the station and the museum and moving the museum sign for better visibility. Miller questioned what was done with the batteries that were taken out of the siren and replaced. Loomis informed council he keeps batteries charged until he needs to replace them and turns them into vender for the core at time of purchasing new ones. Fire Department asked if they could try those batteries in the vehicles. Loomis will get batteries to the Fire Department. Dettbarn informed council he had a request for a control burn. Stevens advised that would be at fire chief discretion. Loomis asked if the tree on the right of away could also be taken down. Mayor VandeVorde will speak with the home owner prior to next meeting. Loomis to get bids on tree removal for next council meeting.

AMENT ENGINEERING: No report

PUBLIC WORKS: Loomis informed council there was a sewer main break and it has been repaired. The Consumer Confidence Report is completed and turned into clerk for publication. All the fire hydrants have been flushed. He is concerned with a possible break because of pvc found in a diffuser. Seiffert commented that because we had been hooked up to rural water, the piece of pvc found could have come from their system. Loomis will contact Central Water and isolate that line and open up the main. Loomis has started the spring discharge of the lagoons. Loomis informed council that he has contacted Maguire on cleaning of the water tower. He explained due to DNR regulations after tower cleaning 2 bacterial samples must be cleared before putting tower back on line. There are two ways to do this. Open up two hydrants in opposite sides of town and run for two (2) days or issue a boil advisory. Miller/Duffy moved to approve Public Works through pressure relief valve flush two hydrants after cleaning of the water tower. Roll Call, All Ayes, motion approved. Miller asked Public Works get quotes on additional generator for small lift station for next meeting. Loomis asked to get rid of old fire hydrant. Fire Department requested it.

CITY CLERK: Baych informed council the need to get a compliance officer in place. Spring is when most permits are taken out. She informed council on a complaint about a business that is causing an extreme odor that is affecting a neighbor. She will send a letter to the business. Baych informed them the fire siren was not covered under the current city insurance. For \$30,000 coverage the annual premium would be \$100. Miller/Ekstrand moved to have clerk contact insurance agent and get coverage for siren, Roll

Call, All ayes, motion approved. Baych gave a brief description on the IMFOA conference. She will have information on getting set up with the state offset program to collecting delinquent utility accounts for next meeting. Reminders of City wide clean up on Friday April 24th and safety meeting scheduled for April 23<sup>rd</sup>.

COUNCIL DISCUSSION/ACTION: Dan Cohan with Buchanan County Conservation addressed the council on recommendations pertaining to a new bike trail. After a lengthy discussion it was decided to have a meeting with Buchanan County Conservation, City of Hazleton and DNR at a later date. Jorden & Jean Gallmeyer with the Hazleton Skate Park Committee informed council they are still working on bringing a skate park to the city. They have fundraised \$12,500.00 thus far. Stevens questioned the bid threshold on a public improvement project. The City will get a resolution together to designate that land as a park along with donation of the building currently on it. Don Kleis with Prairie Road Builders addressed the council on his proposal. Item Number #8 on his proposal addresses an issue on the agenda extending Madison Street South. In addition item # 12 of his proposal addresses the storm drain issue on Westline also on the agenda. Mr. Kleis explained the 2<sup>nd</sup> portion of his proposal. Motion by Duffy/Gerstenberger to approve Prairie Road Builders quote minus item # 12 for \$10,686.05. Roll Call, All Ayes, motion approved. The second portion of the proposal will be put on hold until a later date. Mayor VandeVorde informed council he was approached by a group that offered to donate \$200.00 worth of sand to get the sand volley ball back in the City Hall Park. The group will address the council at the May meeting. Duffy/Miller moved to scrap all the playground equipment that was removed from City Hall Park. Roll Call, All Ayes, motion approved. Duffy/Miller moved to approve removing the refrigerator in the park shelter that doesn't work for spring cleanup. Roll Call, All Ayes, motion carried. Council asked that quotes be obtained on new appliances for the shelter for next meeting. Miller/Duffy moved to approve beer tent for Haze Days. Roll Call, All Ayes, motion carried. Miller/Duffy moved to approve \$100 for BCED meeting at the Fire Station in May. Roll Call, All Ayes, motion approved. The council asked city engineer Mike Dryden to get some ideas on correcting this storm drain issue on Westline for May's meeting. The discussion on extending Madison Street South was addressed with Prairies proposal. Miller/Gerstenberger moved to approve Resolution 15-08/Fire Truck CD for \$5000.00, Roll Call, All Ayes, motion carried.

CITY ATTORNEY REPORT: Rough draft for park resolution completed and will work with Clerk for May's meeting. Noise complaint is being prosecuted.

MAYOR REPORT: Mayor VandeVorde informed council on weekly bridge reports. United Neighbors meeting held regarding a community garden. 4-H volunteered picking up sticks at City Park.

CLOSING PUBLIC COMMENT: Citizen concerned on rusty water. Public Works Director informed him it was due to hydrant flushing.

ADJOURN: Miller/Gerstenberger moved to adjourn at 9:30 p.m. All Ayes

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Lisa Baych/City Clerk

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Gerald VandeVorde/Mayor