

Public Notice  
Hazleton City Council Meeting  
September 16<sup>th</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. The Oath of Office given by City Clerk to Gene Seiffert & Ronald Vawter. Council members present: Duffy, Ekstrand, Miller, Seiffert & Vawter. Also present: City Clerk Baych, Public Works Loomis & City Attorney David Hosack. Miller/Ekstrand moved to approve the printed agenda, Roll Call, All Ayes, motion approved. Duffy/Miller moved to approve the consent agenda: a) August 19th, 2015 minutes b) Clerk Report c) Disbursements. Roll Call, All Ayes, Motion approved.

PUBLIC COMMENT: No public comment

BUCHANAN COUNTY SHERIFF DEPARTMENT: Deputy Cook explained to council Buchanan County will be receiving a canine dog and also purchased body cameras to be used on all calls. Record of performance for the City of Hazleton 117.55 hours with 103 records. Report on file.

HAZLETON FIRE STATION: Dettbarn stated the second week in October is Fire Prevention Week. Once again the fire department will be giving away free smoke detectors and batteries.

AMENT ENGINEERING: No report.

PUBLIC WORKS: Loomis informed council the gas pump barrier has been repaired. Best Services is scheduled to install the generator on September 17<sup>th</sup>. The fall fire hydrant flushing is scheduled for October 6<sup>th</sup> & 7<sup>th</sup>. A crack in the basketball court was discovered. Seiffert/Vawter moved to approve Electric Pump Maintenance Service Agreement for three (3) years. Roll Call, All Ayes, motion approved. Duffy/Vawter moved to approve Christie Door quote for \$3,360.00 to install photo eyes on 2 doors at the city shop and Ken's Electric bid for \$328.73, Roll Call, Ekstrand yes, Miller yes, Duffy yes, Seiffert no, Vawter yes, motion carried. Loomis asked to use the same companies if council chooses to do the 2 additional doors at a later date. Council agreed. Loomis stated the curb stop on Benton Street is still leaking. Council directed City Clerk send a letter to the home owner requiring the repair be done.

CITY CLERK: Baych informed council she received a letter from the DNR on the results of the sampling done on the wells at 210 Main St N. There is no immediate danger to the contaminated area. The area will continue to be monitored. A deposit of \$1 was made to the city savings account to keep the account active. Pathways, Buchanan County Sheriff's & Buchanan County Health Center will host a "National Take Back Program" on September 26<sup>th</sup> from 10a.m – 2:00 pm. The purpose of this is to dispose of any unwanted or unneeded expired medications. The drop off location is the Buchanan County Health Center, meeting room A. For more information contact City Hall. The City will decorate a Christmas tree for Christmas at the Depo in Independence. The City sent out 6 RFP's for audit services; 2 were received back. One was a decline letter and the other was from Iowa State Auditor's office. Motion made by Duffy, second Miller to accept the Office of Auditor of State RFP for \$11,025.00, Roll, Call, All Ayes, motion carried. Miller/Vawter moved to approve city clerk attend IMFOA & Data Tech conference October 21-23. Roll Call, All Ayes, motion approved. Duffy/Seiffert moved to reschedule the October Council meeting to October 14<sup>th</sup>, Roll Call, All Ayes, motion approved.

COUNCIL DISCUSSION/ACTION: Randy Ciesielski Hazleton Code Enforcement officer addressed the council. A discussing was held on the responsibilities of this position. Duffy/Vawter moved to table adding additional signage on Sufficool Street E until further information can be obtained. Miller/Ekstrand moved to approve the following council appointment, Vawter alternative INRCOG rep & buildings, Ekstrand parks, Seiffert utilities, Roll Call, All Ayes, motion carried. Miller/Vawter moved to approve Cari Tournier to the Board of Adjustments, Roll Call, All Ayes, motion approved. Miller/Duffy moved to approve Skate Park utilizing old Fire Station for fundraiser, October 17<sup>th</sup>, Roll Call, All Ayes, motion

approved. Vawter/Duffy moved to approve Street Financial Report, Roll Call, All Ayes, motion carried. Duffy/Miller moved to approve Urban Renewal Report, Roll Call, All Ayes, motion approved. Miller/Vawter moved to approve resolution 15-22 authorize city clerk to work with Buchanan County Roads on street signage, Roll Call, All Ayes, motion carried.

CITY ATTORNEY REPORT: No Report

MAYOR REPORT: Mayor VandeVorde informed council the REAP Grant was submitted but has not heard back. He explained the County Hazard Mitigation Plan.

CLOSING PUBLIC COMMENT: A citizen asked the fire department if they could burn down some of the abandoned properties. In addition asked if anything could be done stopping the audit because after talking with many of the citizens who signed it they were not aware of what they were signing and had no knowledge it would cost the city.

ADJOURN: Miller/Vawter moved to adjourn at 8:15 p.m. All Ayes

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Lisa Baych/City Clerk

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Gerald VandeVorde/Mayor