

Public Notice
Hazleton City Council Meeting
July 20th, 2016

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, Miller, Hayzlett & Vawter. Also present: City Clerk Baych, Public Works Assistant Seiffert, Fire Chief Dettbarn and City Attorney Hosack. Duffy/Miller moved to approve the printed agenda, Roll Call, All Ayes, motion approved. Duffy/Miller moved to approve the consent agenda: a) June 15th, 2016 minutes b) Clerk Report c) Disbursements. Roll Call, All Ayes, Motion approved.

PLANNING & ZONING: Chad Benter chair of P&Z Board addressed the council. The Board met July 8th and recommends the council amend the commercial zoning district to include allowing the sale of any and all recreational vehicles (campers, trailers, atv's, boats etc.) to be permitted uses in the commercial district and remove it from the Special Use section of the Commercial District. Robert Bennett Jr. stated the letter from the DOT had specific language that needed to be included with the ordinance. He will provide a copy of the letter to the city clerk.

PUBLIC HEARING: Amend the commercial zoning district to include allowing the sale of any and all recreational vehicles (campers, trailers, atv's, boats etc.) to be permitted uses in the commercial district and remove it from the Special Use section of the Commercial District. Ekstrand moved to open the public hearing at 7:10 p.m., Vawter second, Roll Call all ayes. Motion approved. No public comment was given. Vawter/Hayzlett moved to close public hearing at 7:11 p.m., Roll Call, All Ayes, motion carried.

Miller/Vawter moved to approve 1st Reading of Ordinance 16-03/Amending Commercial District to include sale of any and all recreational vehicles as permitted uses in the District, Roll Call, All Ayes, motion approved. Duffy/Hayzlett moved to table 2nd & 3rd reading until reviewing the language of the letter received from the DOT in order to amend the ordinance if needed. Roll Call, All Ayes, motion approved.

PUBLIC COMMENT: Pat Arthaud informed the council she will be meeting with Ekstrad who is on the Parks committee to discuss the grant received from the Buchanan County Community Foundation for the Hazleton School Museum. She would like to possible work with college engineering students on landscaping options. Mayor VandeVorde talked about the park shelter picnic tables and moving them into the park and using the ones stored in the shelter be put under the open shelter section. This item will be discussed at the August meeting.

BUCHANAN COUNTY SHERIFF DEPARTMENT: Deputy onsite. Record of performance for the City of Hazleton 65.38 hours with 61 records. Report on file.

HAZLETON FIRE STATION: Miller/Vawter moved to approve "No Parking Signage" for the Fire Station. Roll Call, All Ayes, Motion carried.

PUBLIC WORKS: Vawter informed council on the cost on an A/C unit for the shop office for \$129.00. He discussed the cost on specific tools that would only be used once a year and felt they weren't worth purchasing. VandeVorde told the council there was some wiring issues with the tractor and it was taken in for service. Baych said the water tower maintenance was completed and all the samples came back normal. Miller stated the basketball hoop netting needs replaced and will donate them. Baych said the city will purchase and put up.

CITY CLERK: Baych informed council the audit is complete and furnished all council members with a copy of the final report. Iowa Economic Development was here and conducted the Housing Rehabilitation review. The city is in compliance. Alliant Energy did an inventory on the cities street lights and had been under billing approx. \$150.00. Going forward the street light bill will be increased by that amount. Baych stated another complaint was received regarding the cats running at large. Hosack explained the abatement/nuisance process. Baych reminded the council she would be at the academy next week and Pat would fill in and post her hours.

COUNCIL DISCUSSION/ACTION: IDOT was not onsite to discuss the 5 year Agreement for Maintenance & Repair of Primary Roads. Vawter/Hayzlett moved to table that item until the IDOT can clarify it at a meeting. Roll Call, All Ayes, Motion approved. Miller/Duffy moved to approve going out to bid for garbage service with the following stipulations, bids must have garbage pickup once a week & curb side recycling every other week, collector must provide containers, and debris must go through the Buchanan

County Transfer Station. Roll Call, All Ayes, Motion carried. City Clerk will advertise for bids and proposals will be due to city clerk by August 12th for review at the August 17th meeting. Duffy/Hayzlett moved to send a second certified notice to the 3 residents whose curb stops need repaired, if no response within 10 days, city will act. Roll Call, All Ayes, Motion carried. A discussion was held on the need for the public works assistance cell phone issued to him. Vawter/Miller moved to approve leaving the phone active for the public works assistant and programming the pump house alarms to ring the mayor's phone in addition to both public works employees. Roll Call, Duffy yes, Ekstrand yes, Miller yes, Vawter yes, Hayzlett no, motion passed. Miller/Vawter moved to approve Resolution 16-22 Transfer of Funds, Roll Call, All Ayes, Motion carried. Ekstrand/Miller moved to approve Resolution 16-23 Transfer of Funds, Roll Call, All Ayes, Motion approved. Mayor VandeVorde informed council on the increasing cost of maintaining the cities infrastructure. He was made aware that many cities implement an infrastructure fee. Miller stated the city has never done that and would need to change the ordinance in order to implement one. Vawter stated he didn't think more fees were necessary. Seiffert commented that the local option sales tax that residents pay is for infrastructure. Mayor VandeVorde will do additional research on this. Miller/Duffy moved to approve setting a public hearing for August 17th during a regular council meeting to increase the water and sewer rates, Roll Call, All Ayes, Motion carried.

CITY ATTORNEY REPORT: Hosack asked how the city would like to proceed with the cat issue. The letter was delivered but no response to date. Hosack stated unless witness are willing to testify in court it would be unlikely the city would win the case. Clerk informed him she believed two witnesses would testify and will check with them.

MAYOR REPORT: VandeVorde informed council he received a call on someone interested in buying real estate in the commercial district. He informed the council on a REEP Grant meeting coming up in the fall and possible remedy of the park flooding near the shelter.

CLOSING PUBLIC COMMENT: Pat Arthaud thanked the Fire Department for furnishing water for the kid's community garden.

ADJOURN: Vawter moved to adjourn at 8:30 p.m. All Ayes

Lisa Baych/City Clerk

Gerald VandeVorde/Mayor