

Public Notice
Hazleton City Council Meeting
December 21st, 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, Ekstrand, Duffy, Hayzlett, Miller, & Vawter. Also present: City Clerk Baych, Public Works Loomis, Fire Chief Dettbarn, and City Attorney Hosack. Ekstrand stated after reviewing November's meeting minutes Hayzlett expressed concerns that all citizens need to do all they can to make Hazleton appealing to prospective residents and asked that discussion be placed on December agenda. Ekstrand was not at the November meeting and asked council if they wanted to discuss it. The item was not included on the December agenda. Hayzlett stated it didn't need to be on agenda it could be discussed during public comment. Miller/Vawter moved to approve the printed agenda. Roll call: All Ayes, motion approved. VandeVorde noted that on the claims list Best Lawn invoice had incorrect address on the description. Miller questioned who is Best Lawn and why are we receiving an invoice from them. VandeVorde stated it was a property that needed mowed and Public Works was busy so this company mowed it and then the city would lien the property. Duffy/Hayzlett moved to approve the consent agenda: a) November 16th & Dec. 8th 2016 minutes b) Clerk Report c) Disbursements. Roll Call: All Ayes, with the exception of Miller voting no on the Best Lawn invoice, motion approved.

PUBLIC COMMENT: No public comment.

BUCHANAN COUNTY SHERIFF DEPT: Sheriff Wolfgram onsite. The record of performance for the City of Hazleton was 89.45 hours with 82 records. Report on file. A discussion on snowmobiles was held.

HAZLETON FIRE DEPARTMENT: VandeVorde read an email received from Brian Petersen regarding an accident that happened to his daughter. Petersen stated how professional and compassionate everyone was while she was being extracted from her truck and how grateful his family is to all. Dettbarn thanked the council and mayor for the support they show to the fire station.

PUBLIC WORKS: Loomis reported a water main was repaired on Dec 6th. He informed council on the issue with the LMI pump in the well house. Motion by Duffy second Vawter to ship LMI pump in for repairs as long as they warrant the pump. If pump is unrepairable order a new one. Roll Call, All Ayes, motion carried. VandeVorde asked Loomis for the list of residents who were burning in the fall. Loomis stated he never wrote a list down, he felt the code enforcement officer should do that. VandeVorde stated the council asked him to provide the list. Miller stated get her the list and she would present it to the council. Miller stated she had a couple residents ask her if the city was trying to save money on plowing the streets as wide as we use to. Loomis stated he plows as wide as he always has.

CITY CLERK: Baych attended the budget workshop on November 17th. She informed council on the success of the kids Christmas shopping and all the donations received and Santa's visit. VandeVorde read a letter received from IMFOA on clerk receiving her Iowa Certified Municipal Finance Officer designation. Council congratulated clerk.

COUNCIL DISCUSSION/ACTION: Miller/Vawter moved to approve Resolution 16-32 Property Lien, Roll Call, All Ayes, motion approved. Duffy/Vawter moved to approve Resolution 16-33 Property Lien, Roll Call Duffy yes, Ekstrand yes, Hayzlett yes, Vawter yes, Miller no, motion approved. Duffy/Ekstrand moved to approve Civil War re-enactment group for the Haze Daze celebration in City Hall Park. Council does not approve digging hole for the fire pits, Roll Call, All Ayes, motion carried. Hayzlett/Duffy moved to approve authorization for mayor to sign DNR permit for Hayes Street/C57 project, Roll Call, Duffy yes, Ekstrand yes, Hayzlett yes, Vawter yes, Miller no, motion approved. Hayzlett/Vawter moved to approve budget workshop for 1/11/17 & 1/25/17 at 6:00 or 6:30, Roll Call, All Ayes, motion approved.

CITY ATTORNEY REPORT: Hosack asked council if they had any questions or concerns. He wished everyone Happy Holidays. A discussion was held on the snowmobiles.

MAYOR REPORT: VandeVorde thanked the council for working together this past year. He stated the skate park has raised just under \$13,000. He wished everyone Merry Christmas and Happy New Year.

CLOSING PUBLIC COMMENT: Vawter asked about the legion door and getting bids to repair it. A discussion on trees on private property was held. Ekstrand stated what a great job United Neighbors did painting the Legion

ADJOURN at 8:10 PM

Lisa Baych, City Clerk

Gerald VandeVorde, Mayor