

Public Notice
Hazleton City Council Meeting
April 12th, 2017

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, and City Attorney Hosack. Miller/Vawter moved to approve the printed agenda, Roll Call, All Ayes, motion carried. Ekstrand/Vawter moved to approve the consent agenda: a) March 15th, 2017 minutes b) Clerk Report c) Disbursements. Roll Call: Miller abstained from March 15th minutes due to absence, Roll Call, All Ayes, motion approved.

PLANNING & ZONING: Chad Benter chair of Planning & Zoning addressed the council on the P&Z meeting held on March 3rd regarding the request from Jared Little on rezoning 401 Main Street Nth from a Commercial district to a residential district. The P&Z board reviewed his request and the issue Mr. Little is having is insuring the property so he may reside there. The board voted on recommending to the council his request to rezone the property to a Residential 2 district.

PUBLIC HEARING: RE-ZONE 401 HAYES ST N FROM COMMERCIAL DISTRICT TO RESIDENTIAL DISTRICT Vawter/Hayzlett moved to open the public hearing at 7:05 p.m., Roll Call, All Ayes, motion approved. No public comment was given. Vawter/Hayzlett moved to close public hearing at 7:06, Roll Call All Ayes, motion approved. A motion by Vawter was made to rezone adding the legal description to 401 Main Street N from a C-1 district to an R-2 district, second Hayzlett, Roll Call Vawter yes, Hayzlett yes, Duffy abstained due to conflict of interest, and Ekstrand abstained due to conflict of interest, Miller yes. Motion approved.

PUBLIC COMMENT: No comment from the public

BUCHANAN COUNTY SHERIFF DEPT: Deputy onsite. The record of performance for the City of Hazleton was 59.25 hours with 59 records. Report on file.

HAZLETON FIRE DEPARTMENT: Chief Dettbarn informed council Soup Supper was successful. The department obtained a 16' luma craft rescue boat from the forestry service out of Wisconsin for one dollar. The department will be doing field burning training with farmers.

PUBLIC WORKS: Loomis informed council the spring drawdown at the lagoons will begin next week. Hydrant Flushing will be announced on water bills. He informed council on the Hayes street project. VandeVorde explained what is needed for the well house light. He is waiting on 2 additional bids. Duffy/Miller moved to approve PW a \$300.00 maximum for protective clothing when using a chainsaw.

CITY CLERK: Baych informed council on the calls received concerning the water interruption and street closure. She reminded council City Hall will be closed April 17th – 21st. One-Call has been contacted to forward all emails to PW email and Miller volunteered to do the daily updates for the web page & facebook.

COUNCIL DISCUSSION/ACTION: Hosack informed council on Randy Blume reason why he would like the city to approve subordination agreement on a housing rehab project. Blume would like to start a toy business. Miller stated the ordinance prohibits an in home business in residential districts. The council felt Mr. Blume needed to address them in order to act on his request. Miller/Duffy moved to table the subordination agreement on this housing rehab project. Mayor VandeVorde discussed adding a 220 outlet to City Park. The current main panel would need to be completely redone in order to add 220 outlet. No action was taken. Ekstrand stated the existing swing structure will remain and will reinforce the bottom. The swings were approved at March's meeting. The gate will be removed and a tether ball will be put in its place, the horses will be removed and diggers with sand installed. The clerk will contact the sales rep with Ekstrand questions and follow up at May's meeting. A discussion on a swing set boarder and the painting of the swing set frame was held. Ekstrand and Hayzlett will get bids on landscaping under swings. Miller/ Duffy moved to approve Resolution 17-04/INRCOG Safety program,

Roll Call, All Ayes. Miller/Vawter moved to set a public Hearing to amend 2017/2018 budget for May 17th at 7:00 p.m., Roll Call All Ayes, motion carried. Romper Room Motorcycle Club approached Mayor VandeVorde on asking the city if they would be willing to close down Highway 150 on May 17th from 11:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m. The IA State Troopers and Buchanan County Sheriff's department discussed with the council the concerns they have with closing down Highway 150. Several area groups have expressed interest in setting up food booths in the park for the 1st stop on their ride. Highway 150 will not be shut down but they are welcome to use the city's public park. Miller questioned why the retired Public works cell phone was on the agenda. Hayzlett stated he didn't realize Seiffert was still on the payroll since no hours have been reported since he became a council member. Clerk Baych informed the council that assistant public works employee Gene Seiffert returned the city issued cell phone to her and asked if the city would release the phone number to him. Hosack reminded the council they could only discuss the cell phone and not the employee. Duffy/Miller moved to release the assistant public works cell phone to Mr. Seiffert at the clerk's earliest convenience, Roll Call, All Ayes. A discussion on seasonal public works help was held. VandeVorde felt a possible part-time employee would assist Loomis in the daily tasks and free up Loomis. Loomis stated he wasn't asking for help. Miller felt a part-time seasonal employee was not necessary. VandeVorde asked Duffy to bring back to the council a job description for a seasonal public works employee to May's council meeting.

CITY ATTORNEY REPORT: Hosack discussed the trailer park shelter research he compiled.

MAYOR REPORT: DOT not onsite to discuss DOT Contract. VandeVorde informed council on the Monarch Pledge. Replacing existing 18 manholes on Hayes Street were discussed. A developer talked with him about developing some property and VandeVorde asked Hosack and compliance officer Ciesielski to research proper protocol needed to add streets and developing lots to build houses. Conversion was held about staying positive about the Hayes Street Project, change and moving forward. Hayzlett stated 10 new stop signs were ordered.

CLOSING PUBLIC COMMENT: Mary Davis stated projects the United Neighbors were working on. Davis will assist clerk on distribution on the tree seedling when they arrive. Loomis informed council on the city pickup replacement of tires.

ADJOURN Miller motioned to adjourn at 9:05 PM

Lisa Baych, City Clerk

Gerald VandeVorde, Mayor