

Richwood Common Council Meeting
Thursday, February 6, 2020

Members Present:

Glen Weiler, Recorder

Ward I: Chuck Toussieng

Ann Spencer

Ward II: Diane Spencer

Chris McKenzie

Ward IV: Sherry Chapman

Robin Brown

Call to Prayer: Sherry Chapman

Pledge of Allegiance: All

A quorum was established and the meeting was called to order by Recorder Glen Weiler at 7:00 p.m.

Ann Spencer moved that the agenda be approved. The motion was seconded by Sherry Chapman and carried.

Robin Brown moved that the minutes of the January 16, 2020 Common Council Meeting be approved as presented. The motion was seconded by Ann Spencer and carried.

The fourth reading of the Police Commission Ordinance was read in its entirety by Recorder Weiler. No vote was required. A brief discussion was held.

Motion made by Robin Brown to deny resignation of Councilperson Chris McKenzie. The motion was seconded by Diane Spencer and carried.

Discussion held on a possible Policy of Resignation Ordinance. Referred to the Ordinance Committee for action.

Finance Committee:

Ann Spencer presented the recommendations from the Finance Committee. Beginning balance was \$55,912.82; available balance was \$29,167.43; total of bills proposed for payment is \$28,030.71 leaving a remaining balance of \$1,236.74. Tires were purchased for \$700. (\$78???); Ending Balance \$458.74. Robin Brown moved that the payments approved by the Finance Committee be made. The motion was seconded by Ann Spencer and carried. There was no Finance Meeting on 2/6/2020. The next meeting of the Finance Committee is on Wednesday, February 19, 2020 at 4:30 p.m. at Richwood City Hall.

Water Board

No recommendations from the Water Board. The next meeting of the Water Board is on Thursday, February 20, 2020 at 6:00 p.m. at Richwood City Hall.

Nuisance Committee

The Committee met on 2/4/2020. No new recommendations from the Nuisance Committee. There will be an information meeting on 2/13/2020 from 4:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m. at City Hall for anyone that wants to sign up for demolition or needs help with completing paperwork for demolition.

Ann Spencer indicated that Habitat for Humanity had a lot on Walnut Street. The lot was donated to the Nicholas County Foundation. Guy Foster indicated that he may have a client for it.

Recommendation for Jack Tunney for Code Enforcement Officer was referred to the Finance Committee.

The next meeting will be Tuesday, February 4, 2020 at 3:00 at Richwood City Hall.

Ordinance Committee

The meeting on February 15, 2020 was cancelled. The next meeting will be February 19, 2020 at 5:30 p.m. at Richwood City Hall.

Police Committee

Britt Nicholas was hired as a Police Officer at \$10.00/hour as of January 27, 2020.

The meeting was cancelled due to lack of a quorum. The next meeting of the Police Committee will be Monday, February 10, 2020 at 5:00 p.m. at Richwood City Hall. The following meeting will be held March 2, 2020 at 5:00 p.m. at Richwood City Hall. A neighborhood watch meeting will follow directly after each meeting.

Richwood Airport Authority

No recommendations were presented. Robin Brown has resigned from the Airport Authority. The next meeting will be Tuesday, February 11, 2020 at 6:00 p.m. at Richwood City Hall.

Richwood Building Commission

No recommendations were presented. The next meeting will be Thursday, February 20, 2020 at 3:00 p.m. at Richwood City Hall.

Community Events:

Ramp Festival is April 18, 2020. Will need people to clean ramps. Dates for cleaning to be

announced.

New Business and Council Comments

Ann Spencer stated that they would like to reconvene the Planning Committee which would work in conjunction with WVU. Proposed members Ann Spencer, Ronnie Bragg, Susan Johnson, Ernie Lake, Aaron Miller.

A question was brought about the status of the Armory. Guy Foster's investors want it under a 501(c)(3) and Guy is trying to put together a Board. Recorder Weiler will follow up with Guy.

Robin Brown brought up that there is a street light at the corner of McCartney and Johnson in Southside that's falling off the pole and should be taken down. There's a light at Edgewood and Oakford across from the Pool Room that's out. And they have asked if the City workers can remove the cones and dirt in front of the Alumni Hall.

Oakford at Main from the corner to the steps in front of the Church will be posted No Parking because of the difficulty in making a right turn onto Oakford from Main around the parked vehicles.

Speed limit on upper Oakford is 15 MPH both up and down.

Will look into the No Parking on Main Street by the Hole in the Wall to only have No Parking where there is no curb.

Speed limit in the Bottoms is 15 MPH and needs to be posted. Any requests for signage has to go to the State Commission which could take up to 6 months so the City is using what signs they have on hand.

Vote by Mail Applications will be accepted beginning March 17, 2020.

City is stringently enforcing Business Licenses and B & O Taxes which are the City's main source of revenue. Those that are delinquent have and will be sent three letters. Non-compliance can result in a \$100 fine and/or 30 days in jail. Date for response for letters that were sent out was January 23, 2020. If fees have not been paid, by February 14, 2020 citations will be issued, business licenses may be pulled and the doors to the business chained. If there is a hardship, contact City Hall to make payment arrangement.

Public Comments

None

Chris McKenzie moved to adjourn. Diane Spencer seconded. Meeting adjourned at 7:53 p.m.