



CITY OF TITUSVILLE

BIRTHPLACE OF THE OIL INDUSTRY



COUNCIL PROCEEDINGS

January 14, 2008

The regular meeting of Titusville City Council was called to order by Mayor Peden in the Conference Room at the Titusville Redevelopment Authority at 5:35 p.m. A moment of silence was observed. The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Mayor Peden. Present at the meeting were Mayor Dennis Peden, Councilmen James Nystrom, John Frye, Councilwomen Bonnie Hull and Esther Smith, Mary Ann Nau, City Manager, Richard Winkler, Solicitor. Stella Ruggiero represented The Titusville Herald. Jim Gross represented GBS. Karen Clark represented The Derrick.

It was moved by Mr. Frye, seconded by Mr. Nystrom, and carried unanimously to accept the minutes of the special meeting of December 27, 2007 and the minutes of the re-organizational meeting of January 7, 2008 as submitted and place on file.

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION - Pertaining to agenda items - None.

NEW BUSINESS

APPOINTMENT TO AIRPORT AUTHORITY - It was moved by Mr. Frye, seconded by Mrs. Smith, and carried unanimously to re-appoint James Kuhn, 2222 Buxton Road, Titusville to the Airport Authority for a five year term.

APPOINTMENTS TO PLANNING COMMISSION - It was moved by Mr. Nystrom, seconded by Mrs. Hull, and carried unanimously to re-appoint Joseph Barnhart, 120 N. Drake St., Titusville to the Planning Commission for a four year term. It was moved by Mr. Frye, seconded by Mr. Nystrom, and carried unanimously to appoint Rhonda Clark, 306 N. Franklin Street to the Planning Commission for a four year term.

APPOINTMENT TO LEISURE SERVICES BOARD - It was moved by Mr. Frye, seconded by Mr. Nystrom to re-appoint Kathy Barrett, 194 Marsh Lane, Titusville to the Leisure Services Board for a five year term. Vote on the motion was: Mr. Nystrom, Mr. Frye - yes; Mayor Peden, Mrs. Hull, Mrs. Smith - no. It was moved by Mrs. Hull, seconded by Mrs. Smith, and carried unanimously to appoint Joseph Carter, 214 W. Spruce St., Titusville to the Leisure Services Board for a five year term.

APPOINTMENT OF COUNCIL REPRESENTATIVE TO LEISURE SERVICES BOARD - It was moved by Mr. Frye, seconded by Mrs. Smith, and carried unanimously to appoint Bonnie Hull as Council Representative to the Leisure Services Board.

APPOINTMENT OF COUNCIL REPRESENTATIVE TO POLICE PENSION FUND BOARD

It was moved by Mrs. Hull, seconded by Mr. Frye, and carried unanimously to ratify Mayor Peden's appointment of James Nystrom as Council Representative to the Police Pension Fund Board.

APPOINTMENT TO MUNICIPAL AUTHORITY - It was moved by Mrs. Hull, seconded by Mrs. Smith, and carried unanimously to appoint Mr. William E. Webb, 484 Dutch Hill Road, Titusville, PA to the Municipal Authority.

RESOLUTION NO. 1 OF 2008 - A Resolution of the City Council of the City of Titusville, Crawford County, Pennsylvania, to reopen for possible amendment the annual Budget for the City of Titusville for the Year 2008. (Copy attached.)

It was moved by Mrs. Hull, seconded by Mr. Frye, and carried unanimously to adopt Resolution No. 1 of 2008.

Mr. Nystrom asked the Solicitor if they come back with recommendations as far as changing line items in the budget and go over a certain percentage they may have to re-advertise and go through that process. Mr. Winkler stated that is correct. Mr. Winkler stated that if they were proposing to change any line item by more than 25% he would recommend they go through the process and display the budget for a period of at least ten days after notice to that effect is published. Mr. Nystrom asked if they would have to have everything put into place and passed by February 15. Mr. Winkler stated that is correct.

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

Mrs. Leah Carter thanked Council for the appointments to the Planning Commission. Mrs. Carter also asked regarding re-opening of the budget do they know whether or not they would like any organizations such as TRI who were requesting money in the budget to come back to Council for further discussion of their request. Mayor Peden stated he doesn't anticipate anybody being required to come back.

Mr. Jim Loll, 217 E. Central Avenue, complimented Lin's China Wok Buffet Restaurant on the tremendous job they do in snow removal.

COMMENTS BY MAYOR AND/OR COUNCIL/COMMITTEE REPORTS

Mrs. Hull thanked everybody who came out for the interviews and for taking an interest in serving on the various Commissions.

Mr. Nystrom asked if the City operates under the Third Class City Code or the Optional Third Class City Charter Law. Mr. Winkler stated they operate under the Optional Third Class City Charter Law. Mr. Winkler stated the Optional Charter leaves a lot of things unaddressed so in the absence of any other controlling law they would look at the Third Class City Code. Where there is a difference between what is in the Third Class City Code and the Optional Charter, they would follow the Optional Charter provisions.

Mayor Peden asked the City Manager to go over the boards and committees that they still have vacancies for. Mrs. Nau stated there are openings on the following: Board of Code Appeals (Uniform Construction Code) - one; Civil Service Commission - one; Leisure Services Board - two; Municipal Authority - one; Ethics Board - three; Redevelopment Authority - one.

Mayor Peden commented that Council presented the Manager with a list of priorities and goals with time frames on them. One of the items that they wanted to get done within the first three to six months was for them to meet with every Board and Committee and meet with every volunteer organization in our Community. Mayor Peden stated that they want to bring everyone in so Council knows what they are doing and the organizations know how Council can help them and improve our Community.

It was moved by Mrs. Hull, seconded by Mr. Nystrom, and carried unanimously to adjourn the meeting. Meeting adjourned at 6:00 p.m.

Suzanne Birtciel
Recording Secretary