

**CITY OF MERIDEN
APPROVED MINUTES
REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING
JANUARY 12, 2016**

MEETING CALLED TO ORDER AT 7:03

THOSE PRESENT

Council Members: Karl Dillenbeck Floyd Cozadd Dana Boyer Zac Surritt Dicey Albrecht
Carrie Daniels, City Clerk Wade Schneider, Mayor Lee Hendricks, City Attorney

OLD BUSINESS

NEW BUSINESS

Mr. Barry White owner of Five Star Masonry approached Council as the new owner of the 57 acers on the South East Section of K-4 Highway between East Wyandotte and 74th Street. He also purchased the 3 acre triangle of land there that isn't in the City limits. Barry informed council of his intentions and relayed some ideas he has for future development. He has been in touch with City Engineer, Mark Bachamp and the Planning & Zoning Members as well. Barry is in the early stages of a preliminary plat and will contact the city office and Planning & Zoning members about rezoning procedures. Council welcomed Mr. White and expressed their excitement on his new upcoming business development in Meriden and congratulated him on the expansion of his company, Five Star Masonry.

Nick and Jackie Cummings were also present to formally introduce themselves as the new owners of the bar on Main Street (formally known as "The Watering Hole"), which will now be called "Game Day Bar & Grill". The Cummings have been in contact with city building inspector Paul Crawford regarding the renovations to be made and that the building is insurance compliant as well.

The Cummings applied for their State Liquor License, but have not yet received it and asked if Council could approve a City Occupational License contingent upon the receipt and presentation to the Clerk, of their State Liquor license. The Cummings expressed their excitement and vision of a more family friendly local sport themed bar and grill with expectations of being open for lunch hours and Sunday breakfast. Chief Boyer also express his appreciation of them attending the meeting and would like to be on a personal bases with them in case any police matters were to arise.

Motion made by Dana Boyer, seconded by Dicey Albright, contingent upon presentation of State Liquor License, the approval of Game Day Bar & Grill's Occupational Licenses. Motion passed 5-0.

The GAAP Waiver was presented to Council by the clerk which was reviewed by the City Auditor. This is a normal Resolution passed every year for accounting practices.

Motion made by Karl Dillenbeck, seconded by Zac Surritt, to approve Resolution #2016-01. Motion passed 5-0.

SEWER DELINQUENCIES

Delinquent Utility Accounts were presented to Council. City Attorney Lee Hendricks was directed to send letters, and revise the pay agreements to be paid off in an earlier time frame than which has been allowed in the past. He will prepare and have ready for the next meeting.

POLICE TIME

Chief Boyer discussed some minor water damage of things that were on his office floor and would like to have some shelves built in the evidence room to place items. Chief Boyer also expressed to Council the Police Departments need for a fire proof filing cabinet and council was okay with that coming from his Law Enforcement Fund.

POLICE TIME-CON'T

Chief Boyer relayed the Police Officers have been working a lot of school zones and tickets have been minimal, but just being seen around town has been proactive to the speeders. Chief Boyer also reported that Officer Travis Mumma has finished his academy training and will be back on the schedule soon.

MAINTENANCE DEPARTMENT TIME

James informed Council of the ongoing trouble of getting the blinker fixed on the City dump truck and suggested that it go to a business that specializes in that kind of work. The box spreader wiring issue was able to be fixed at no charge other than the shipping costs. James informed Council that the "over crank" light came on the City's generator and that he would like to see about getting a preventive maintenance contract bids, to bring back to the February council meeting.

ATTORNEY TIME

Lee Hendricks presented the new ordinance he prepared relating to the new Sewer Rate Increases starting with the February 2016 service, reflecting on the March 1st 2016 bill. The City newsletter was sent out explaining the need for the increase as well as notifying the possible increase on the web page.

Motion by Dana Boyer, seconded by Dicey Albright, to approve Sewer Ordinance #12-401-2016. Motion passed 5-0.

Lee asked Council if there was still a need for him to send a letter to the owners of 105 and 106 East Main Street, regarding the condition of the property. Lee was informed by Council, that Jefferson County Commissioner Wayne Ledbetter was present at the prior city meeting when those buildings were discussed and told Council the buildings would be going back to the County, if no one purchased them at the tax sale in January. No further action is needed at this time.

Dana Boyer informed Council that Rub-A-Dub Dog has moved to the old Rose's Café building and that Heidi Petesch was opening a photography studio, where the dog grooming place used to be.

MAYOR TIME

Nothing at this time.

APPROVE THE MINUTES

Motion was made by Dana Boyer, seconded by Dicey Albright, to approve the minutes. Motion passed 5-0.

APPROVE EXPENDITURES

Motion was made by Zac Surratt, seconded by Dicey Albright, to approve the city expenditures. Motion passed 5-0.

CONTINUE OR ADJOURN THE MEETING

Motion was made by Dana Boyer, seconded by Dicey Albright, to adjourn the meeting. Motion passed 5-0.

Respectfully Submitted by: Carrie M Daniels, City Clerk
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