

Regular Meeting of the
Board of Mayor and Council
January 11, 2011

The Board of Mayor and Council of Ashland City met in a regular session on January 11, 2011 at 7:00 p.m. in the Municipal Building.

Present and presiding: Mayor Gary Norwood.

Council present: Steve Allen, Alwilda Binkley, Rick Johnson, Jim Yates, and Chris LaCrosse.

Council absent: Jimmy Gill.

Others present: Rhonda Dickinson, Patty Dickinson, Billy Harris, Ronnie Barnes, Chuck Walker, Marc Coulon, Michael Armstrong, Zach McCarver, Contina Couch, Michael White, Greg Edrington, CJ Edrington, Tim Adkins, Thomas McCormick, Paul Gupton, Bob Riddle, Tony Young, Mary Glasgow, and Phyllis Schaeffer.

A motion was made by Johnson, seconded by Yates, to approve the Special Called minutes on December 21, 2011 and the regular December minutes. Motion passed unanimously by voice vote.

Public Forum:

Contina Couch approached and said she lives at 212 Maple Dr. she had a water leak and her bill is \$558. She has proof that her leak has been repaired. A motion was made by Johnson, seconded by Allen, to adjust Ms. Couch's bill to a normal bill in the amount of \$75.28. Motion passed with a roll call vote of: Johnson- yes, Allen-yes, Binkley-yes, LaCrosse-yes, Yates-yes, and Mayor-yes.

Ms. Rhonda Dickinson approached and said she lives at the condos and she had a water leak in December, she had come to Council and it was adjusted but it must have carried over into the next cycle as her bill is \$239 and is requesting the Council adjust her bill back to a normal bill. She said her bill would be higher but when not in use she turned the water off at the meter. Mayor advised Ms. Dickinson that according to our ordinances that is against the law that she is not to turn off the water at the meter. The meter is city property and when the meter is broken it is an expense to the city. Ms. Dickinson said she was not aware that she could not turn the meter off. A motion was made by Allen, seconded by Yates, to adjust Ms. Dickinson's bill to an average normal bill of \$62.38. Motion passed with a roll call vote of: Allen-yes, Yates-yes, LaCrosse-yes, Johnson-yes, Binkley-yes, and Mayor-yes.

Mr. Bob Riddle approached and said he lives at the condos and he also has a continuation of a leak. Mr. Riddle advised the leak was in between wall going under the concrete. Mayor asked Mary to pull his information up and asked Mr. Riddle if he would sit down and would be called back up when the paper work was ready.

Attorney:

Mayor asked Ms. Noe if she had anything for the Council. Ms. Noe replied nothing that wasn't on the agenda.

New Business:

A motion was made by Yates, seconded by LaCrosse, to approve Ordinance #377 –vacation leave - on 1st reading. Motion passed with a roll call vote of: Yates-yes, LaCrosse-yes, Allen-yes, Binkley-yes, Johnson-yes, and Mayor-yes.

A motion was made by LaCrosse, seconded by Allen, to approve Ordinance # 378 Amend zoning ordinance 179 – minimum lot size on 1st reading. Motion passed with a roll call vote of: LaCrosse-yes, Allen-yes, Binkley-yes, Johnson-yes, Yates-yes, and Mayor-yes.

A motion was made by Allen, seconded by Yates, to approve Ordinance #379 – Standard Codes- on 1st reading. Chief Walker asked if this could be deferred one month as he would like to get with Mike and discuss this with him. He knew they were going to be adopted but didn't know it would be this month. Mayor replied this was only for 1st reading it would come up next month for a public hearing and passage. He requested that Mike and Chuck get together and have a list of pros and cons at the next workshop. Chief Walker was in agreement. Mr. Allen asked about the Mechanical codes and Mr. Armstrong explained how it worked. Motion passed with a roll call vote of: Allen-yes, Yates-yes, Johnson-yes, LaCrosse-yes, Binkley-yes, and Mayor-yes.

Ms. Glasgow handed the Mayor the paperwork for Mr. Riddle. Mayor called Mr. Riddle up and asked him if he had any proof that this leak had been repaired. Mr. Riddle said the maintenance man had it repaired and he didn't have anything to show them. Mayor explained to Council that he has had high bills since August and told how many gallons were used each month. This month it went down to 5400 gallons of water. The leak was repaired the end of last month. A motion was made by LaCrosse, seconded by Johnson, to adjust Mr. Riddle's bill to an average bill of \$97.87. Motion passed with a roll call vote of: LaCrosse-yes, Johnson-yes, Binkley-yes, Allen-yes, Yates-yes, and Mayor-yes. Mayor advised that something will have to be done to make the association accountable for the problems with their lines. Mayor requested that Phyllis call Curtis or someone and find out who is over the maintenance and making the decisions and request they come to Council. Tony Young advised there is an association meeting Thursday night and he will go and request that they come to the next meeting. Mr. LaCrosse asked if this was at the condos where there are repeated condos. Mayor said yes.

A motion was made by LaCrosse, seconded by Johnson, to approve Ordinance #380 – Intoxicating Liquors – on 1st reading. Ms. Noe said that the ABC renews the license every year but only require the city to do the background check once every two years. Also, Mayor said that on their copies of the ordinance it did not have per person on the fee. Ms. Noe advised she had just added that. In another part of the ordinance it states that and she felt for clarification it should be added here as well. Motion passed with a roll call vote of: LaCrosse-yes, Johnson-yes, Yates-yes, Allen-yes, Binkley-yes, and Mayor-yes.

A motion was made by Yates, seconded by Allen, to accept Goodwyn Mills & Cawood, Inc. to be the engineer on the Disaster Recovery Grant and Cindy Raymond as administration. Mayor said that Greg has already been working on it. Mr. Edrington replied it has been completed they had to meet the deadline. A motion was made by Yates, seconded by Allen, to accept Goodwyn, Mill & Cawood, Inc and Cindy Raymond as engineer and administration for the grant. Motion passed with a roll call vote of: Yates-yes, Allen-yes, Binkley-yes, Johnson-yes, LaCrosse-yes, and Mayor-yes. Mr. Edrington said this grant has been written for any work at the Wastewater Treatment Plant not just for the generator. So any work done that FEMA doesn't pay this grant will cover. Mayor said until they know something from FEMA he is afraid to move forward without direction. Mayor said they have been busy with the property and they will get back on this again.

Chief Walker said that he and Ms. Noe met last week on the County fire contract with emergency services. They have changed the contract a little to take care of typo's and misspellings and the last page the exhibit A was changed to state it a little plainer and copies of Exhibit A were made for the Council. Emergency Services voted unanimously to approve and send to the budget committee and from there it will go to the full commission. Each district will have to pass in order to get this to work. Ms. Noe said there are contingencies for the rural district and from Henrietta, Two Rivers and Pleasant View for Ashland City to be paid primary and Henrietta and Two Rivers for automatic aid. This is contingent on all signing otherwise we would have to figure out another way to get our funding. Chief said he thinks all is in agreement. He has talked with several commissioners and those that he did are in agreement. They plan to have a study done to address this in the future. Chief said they have put out RFP's for this. The Association agrees they will pay for this plan then they will have a long term plan with goals to shoot for. Mayor asked if this requires Council action. Ms. Noe replied not to approve the contract as it has to go through the commission first but maybe showing support for it. A motion was made by Johnson, seconded by Yates to show Council support for Exhibit A on the fire contract. Motion passed unanimously by voice vote. Chief Walker said they have a letter that the Mayor drafted; in 2001 a resolution actually passed and had been recorded by the county. Mayor Orange had signed it but no one from the City had so we have the drafted letter from the Mayor to get out of that contract.

Tony Young said that Pyroshows is going to send us a contract but being a long term customer we did not need to worry about the 20% discount.

Other:

Mayor Norwood advised Council that on the fees Marc had talked about, he does not think there is any way for us to do that but he has asked Jennifer to take a look at it. Ms. Noe said she hasn't had time but she will look at it and see if it can be changed. We will defer this to next month.

A motion was made by LaCrosse, seconded by Johnson to approve paying the bills. Motion passed with a roll call vote of: LaCrosse-yes, Johnson-yes, Yates-yes, Allen-yes, Binkley-yes, and Mayor-yes.

A motion was made by Johnson, seconded by Yates to adjourn. Motion passed unanimously by voice vote. Meeting adjourned at 7:48 p.m.

Gary Norwood, Mayor

Phyllis Schaeffer, City Recorder