

CITY OF HIGHLAND HEIGHTS
COUNCIL MINUTES
AUGUST 18, 2015

On Tuesday, August 18, 2015 Mayor Pro Tem Pettit called the Council meeting to order at 176 Johns Hill Road at 7:30 p.m.

PRESENT: Council Members: Deborah Ball, Gary Chinn, Scott Reincke, Scott Sedmak, Dave Ramler and Jeanne Pettit. A quorum was present.

Also present: Attorney Steve Franzen, Jean Rauf, City Clerk/Treasurer and Police Chief Bill Birkenhauer.

ABSENT: Mayor Greg Meyers.

PRAYER/PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE TO THE FLAG: After Member Reincke delivered the prayer, there was the pledge of allegiance to the flag.

PRESENTATION OF THE REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES OF AUGUST 4, 2015: These minutes had been previously distributed to the Mayor, Councilmembers and City Staff for review.

ACTION TAKEN: MEMBER BALL MOVED TO APPROVE THE REGULAR COUNCIL MINUTES OF AUGUST 4, 2015, SECONDED BY MEMBER CHINN. DISCUSSION: NONE. AYE: 5 NAYES: 0. MAYOR PRO TEM PETTIT DECLARED THE MOTION PASSED.

GUESTS: Melody Eifert

Steve Crawford, Chairperson of Planning and Zoning commission presented Melody Eifert with an award in recognition of her 18 years of service and dedication to the City. Mr. Crawford stated it was a pleasure working with Melody, explaining she always put the City first in everything she did.

CORRESPONDENCE: None

POLICE CHIEF: Chief Birkenhauer presented his monthly report. Chief reported the Police Department was awarded their Accreditation from the State. He further reported that Lt. Conrad did the majority of the work and accredits her with the accomplishment.

CITY ATTORNEY: City Attorney Franzen had nothing to report but would like to state it was a pleasure working with Melody Eifert on Planning and Zoning during her 18 years of service.

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COMMITTEE REPORTS:

FINANCE: Member Pettit reported that the City will keep the tax rate at the same rate as last year. The rate will be \$1.65 per \$1,000.00. Member Pettit asked Attorney Franzen to prepare the Ordinance for the first meeting in September.

SAFETY: Member Ball reported a meeting was held with the Mayor and Chief on an alarm for the car to keep the K9 safe. Chief Birkenhauer reported the alarm was purchased and being installed. Member Ball also reported they discussed the parking on Robinson and decided to leave it as is. Chief Birkenhauer and Dave Whitacre are looking into traffic on Alexandria Way if parking should be allowed on one side of the street.

Mayor Pro Tem Pettit expressed her dissatisfaction about having parking on Alexandria Way.

Member Ball also discussed a way for people to receive an alert from the Police Department through email and other notifications. Chief Birkenhauer stated the Lieutenants are looking into this matter.

BEAUTIFICATION: Member Ball stated NKU would like to participate in the Service days scheduled for September.

DEVELOPMENT: None.

INFRASTRUCTURE: None.

REPORT FROM PARKS & RECREATION: None.

GOOD NEIGHBOR AWARD: None.

OLD BUSINESS: None.

CITIZENS TO DISCUSS COUNCIL: Steve Crawford, 423 Knollwood explained the situation on Jillian Court. Mr. Crawford also took responsibility for not having the permit. He mistakenly thought the Contractor had the permit and the Contractor thought Mr. Crawford had it. He is working with an Architect for a solution. The plans should be completed soon. Member Ramler stated he thought Mr. Crawford should have checked about permits. Mr. Crawford agreed and took full responsibility for the oversight.

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There being no further business **MEMBER SEDMAK MOVED TO ADJOURN THE MEETING AND WAS SECONDED BY MEMBER BALL. DISCUSSION: NONE. AYES: ALL. MAYOR PRO TEM PETTIT DECLARED THE MOTION PASSED.**

The meeting adjourned at 8:10 p.m.

SUBMITTED BY:



JEAN RAUF, CITY CLERK/TREASURER

SIGNED:



JEANNE PETTIT, MAYOR PRO TEM