

COMMON COUNCIL MEETING
FEBRUARY 02, 2001
TIME: 6:00 P.M.

PRESENT: Ed Dwenger, Helen Gardner, Herb Hunter and Bruce Tressler. Mayor Gary Bailey was on vacation and David Leas was absent due to surgery.

Minutes were approved.

Mayor Pro-Tem Helen Gardner Council President chaired the meeting.

Herb Hunter gave a report from the Task Force on the Police Department Building. Sixteen sites have been mentioned. Soil borings have been done at two sites. Site at by YMCA had three borings and showed fill dirt. South Broadway property had six borings and showed a cistern.

Report due back by Helen Gardner and Lynn Wells on several of the other sites. Task Force will meet on February 13th at City Hall. Everyone is welcome.

Bruce Tressler suggested the City could fill in the cistern with the City's backhoe and other equipment and save money.

Herb stated they looked at what was absolutely needed for the new building in the way of size and rooms.

Glenn Tebbe addressed the Council and ask if it is the decision of the task force that a new police department building is needed? Herb stated it is the task force decision. Mr. Tebbe stated he feels there is a conflict of interest with the firm that has brought forth the need for a new building and this being the firm that is wanting to build the new building. Mr. Tebbe stated again he feels that the new building should be kept closer to downtown.

Helen Gardner stated she has had a lot more input from the public since the task force meeting. Bob Herbert brought up that at the Board of Works meeting it was recommended and passed to make Sgt. Blodgett a Lt. and Patrolman Porter a Sgt. This would make the police department having four Lt. instead of three. Plans are to keep Lt. Bruce Copple in the schools even if the police department does not get the school cop grant. Request is being made to pass Resolution 2001-4 to move \$1950 from the police overtime line item in the budget to the police salaries to pay for a Lt. position.

Motion by Herb Hunter and seconded by Ed Dwenger to approve the transferring of monies from overtime to police salaries according to letter by Bob Herbert. Resolution 2001-4 will be the transfer. Bruce Tressler nay. Herb Hunter, Ed Dwenger ayes. So passed.

Motion by Bruce Tressler and seconded by Herb Hunter to pass Resolution 2001-3, transfer of funds for copier. So passed.

Motion by Ed Dwenger and seconded by Herb Hunter to pass on 1st reading Ordinance 2001-4, four way stop at Washington and Lathrop. So passed.

Kathy Crippen gave the traffic control report. They had a petition for a four way stop at Barachel and Franklin. The committee did not see the need for this.

Committee feels street lights are needed at corner on South Ryle Drive and entrance of Theatre. PSI would install if the City gives approval.

Motion by Bruce Tressler and seconded by Ed Dwenger to approve both. So passed.

Bruce Tressler gave a plan commission report. On the Schlemmer apartment project, all was approved with stipulation of completion of hydrology. On the McCamment/Gorman property, they are asking to rezone 80 acres back to I-1. Harvest Community Church is planning to build on a portion. Hydraulics will be done next week according to McCamment. These are recommended by the Plan Commission Board.

Motion by Bruce Tressler and seconded by Ed Dwenger to approve on 1st reading Ordinance 2001-3 rezoning of property. So passed.

Motion by Ed Dwenger and seconded by Bruce Tressler to suspend the rules and regulations and pass on second reading Ordinance 2001-3. So passed.

Motion by Herb Hunter and seconded by Ed Dwenger to suspend the rules and regulations and pass on third reading Ordinance 2001-3. So passed.

Motion by Ed Dwenger and seconded by Herb Hunter to pass tax abatement on Schlemmer apartment project north of K-Mart. So passed.

McCamment was asking for tax abatement on construction of a strip mall in the area of the BP Station behind on the left side. Council told Mr. McCamment to refill out the forms correctly and then resubmit to the committee.

Helen Gardner stated Council and department heads or department representatives met with Sam Best on the health insurance. It looks as if things are being worked out now.

Ryan Schutte the new police officer is going through training and is scheduled for the academy. Helen Gardner inquired about the gray van still sitting in the parking lot. Bob Herbert stated they have the title now but are still working on the situation.

Dan Manus handed out the year-end report for the fire department and explained and answered questions. Mike Wells has started a Knox box program.

Helen upgraded the Council on what went on at the Board of Works meeting.

Motion by Herb Hunter and seconded by Bruce Tressler to move insurance monies of \$1215.75 from general fund into the police equipment repair appropriation. So passed.

Meeting adjourned 7:30 P.M.

Minutes prepared and presented by: L. June Ryle, Clerk-Treasurer, City of Greensburg