

**READING CITY COUNCIL  
REGULAR MEETING  
Tuesday, June 11, 2013  
READING CITY HALL**

**MEETING CALLED TO ORDER BY MAYOR DONIHUE AT 6:30 P.M.**

**ROLL CALL:** Everett, Wheeler, Cook, Donihue and Briggs were present. Kimberly Blythe, City Manager/Clerk/Treasurer was also present.

**GUESTS:** See attached list.

**PLEDGE TO ALLEGIANCE**

**Approval of Minutes**

-Wheeler moved and Briggs seconded to approve the minutes of the May 14, 2013 regular meeting. Carried (5-0)

**Review and Approval of Financial Statements:**

-Everett moved, Briggs seconded to accept the Treasurer's Report and Financial Statements as presented. Carried (5-0)

**PAYMENT OF OPERATING BILLS:**

-Briggs moved and Everett seconded to pay the operating bills in the amount of \$128,632.24 drawn from the proper accounts. Carried (5-0)

**CONSENT AGENDA:**

-Everett moved, Wheeler seconded to accept the Consent Agenda as presented. Carried (5-0)

**GUEST:** Doug Sanford, Director Hillsdale County Central Dispatch shared information in regards to the CodeRed Weather Warning system that is now offered through Hillsdale County Emergency Management. Also, he reported that there will be an election in August to renew the 911 Telephone Surcharge.

**Public Hearing: Budget Hearing 2013/2014**

Mayor Donihue called the hearing to order at 6:45 the hearing is regarding the 2012/2013 Budget. The Budget will propose the expenditures and estimated revenues. Also salary allocations and how it concerns each fund. The Fire Department and TIFA's budgets were also both presented. Part of the budget process was in regards to the water, sewer and refuse rate schedules. There will be a 5% increase to the sewer monthly maintenance fee and a 25% increase to the water monthly maintenance fee but no increase to the refuse. Discussion was held on the 2013 tax millage rate. The rate will stay the same 12.5302 mills. There was also discussion in regards to amending the cemetery rate schedule to include a charge for deed transfers and also amending the dates for Summer/Winter Rates. There were no questions or suggestions from the public.

Wheeler moved and Briggs seconded to close the public hearing. Carried (5-0)

Public Hearing closed at 6:50 pm

**FIRST CALL TO PUBLIC:**

Betty Blount, President Reading Chamber of Commerce reported the June meeting went very well out to Berry Lake Campground and that the Chamber is looking at another meeting there in October. Also, the Chamber is going to put out a Business Directory that will be distributed to area businesses for residents and travelers to pick up. Plans for the 2013 Reading Festival Days are still in the works and the July meeting has been put back a week to July 10<sup>th</sup> at 7pm in Council Chambers. Also, stated that the Hillsdale County Chamber will be hosting along with Century Bank & Trust in Reading a Business After Hours that will also allow local businesses and members of the Reading Chamber to showcase their business and products.

**OLD BUSINESS:**

City Manager reported that the Safety Surfacing Material will be installed at Waterworks Park sometime in the next two weeks and the fence should be installed the week of June 24<sup>th</sup>.

**NEW BUSINESS:**

-Everett moved, Cook seconded to approve Option 3A with Modern Waste which would include the weekly pick up of solid waste and the annual Spring Clean-Up the Saturday following Mother's Day Weekend and also included free weekly pick up of Recyclables in customer purchased clear plastic bags.

Roll Call Vote: Yeas- Everett, Wheeler, Cook, Donihue & Briggs Nays-0

-Everett moved, Cook seconded to re-appoint Charles Newton and Robert Galloway to the TIFA Board for four year terms from July 1, 2013-June 30, 2017. Carried (5-0)

-Briggs moved, Wheeler seconded to approved Budget Adjustments and Fund Transfers as outlined in the Clerk/Treasurer's memo dated June 11, 2013

Roll Call Vote: Yeas- Everett, Wheeler, Cook, Donihue & Briggs Nays-0

-Donihue moved, Cook seconded to approve the Fiscal Year 2013/2014 Budget including the Activity Budget, Salary Allocation Schedule, TIFA Budget and Fire Department Budget.

Roll Call Vote: Yeas- Everett, Wheeler, Cook, Donihue & Briggs Nays-0

-Briggs moved, Everett seconded to set the 2013 Millage rate at 12.5302 mills for the City Operating Millage.

Roll Call Vote: Yeas- Everett, Wheeler, Cook, Donihue & Briggs Nays-0

-Wheeler moved, Donihue seconded to adopt Resolution 2013-3 for the Water, Sewer and Refuse Rate Schedule for 2013/2014 to become effective as of July 1, 2013.

Roll Call Vote: Yeas- Everett, Wheeler, Cook, Donihue & Briggs Nays-0

-Briggs moved, Wheeler seconded to adopt Resolution 2013-4 for the Cemetery Rate Schedule to become effective July 1, 2013.

Roll Call Vote: Yeas- Everett, Wheeler, Cook, Donihue & Briggs Nays-0

Cook moved, Wheeler seconded to adjourn the meeting. Carried (5-0)

Meeting Adjourned at 7:25 pm

Respectfully submitted,  
Kimberly Blythe, City Manager-Clerk/Treasurer