

**READING CITY COUNCIL
REGULAR MEETING
Tuesday, June 10, 2014
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 Everett seconded to approve the minutes of the May 13, 2014 regular meeting and the May 13, 2014 Closed 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:

-Wheeler moved and Briggs seconded to pay the operating bills in the amount of \$28,236.76 drawn from the proper accounts. Carried (5-0)

CONSENT AGENDA:

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

Public Hearing: Budget Hearing 2014/2015

Mayor Donihue called the hearing to order at 6:33 p.m. the hearing is regarding the 2014/2015 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 .05% increase to the sewer monthly maintenance fee and a 1% increase to the water monthly maintenance fee but no increase to the refuse and no increase to the usage rates. Discussion was held on the 2014 tax millage rate. The rate will stay the same 12.5302 mills. There was also discussion in regards to the Miscellaneous Fees and Rate Schedule and charges for Voter Registration/Absent Voter Lists. There was discussion of money budgeted for Street Improvements and also Sidewalk improvements. Also, discussion in regards to items that the City needs to complete in the next budget year to meet requirements of the Michigan Department of Environmental Quality. Everett moved and Briggs seconded to close the public hearing. Carried (5-0)
Public Hearing closed at 6:54 pm

FIRST CALL TO PUBLIC:

Betty Blount, President Reading Chamber of Commerce reported the Chamber has published the 2014 Business Directory that will be distributed to area businesses for residents and travelers to pick up. Plans for the 2014 Reading Festival Days are still in the works.

OLD BUSINESS:

-Donihue moved, Cook seconded to adopt Resolution 2014-02, to approve the proposed contract between Michigan Department of Transportation and the City of Reading and to authorize the Mayor and Clerk to sign on behalf of the City.

Resolution 2014-02 is a resolution authorizing the Clerk/Treasurer and the Mayor to sign a contract on behalf of the City in regards to the Closure of the Maple Street Railroad Crossing.

NEW BUSINESS:

-Everett moved, Briggs seconded to re-appoint Dave Cleveland and Richard Galloway to 4 year term(s) on the Reading TIFA Board beginning July 1, 2014– June 30, 2018.

-Wheeler moved, Donihue seconded to approved Budget Adjustments and Fund Transfers as outlined in the Clerk/Treasurer’s memo dated June 10, 2014

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

-Donihue moved, Everett seconded to approve the Fiscal Year 2014/2015 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

-Donihue moved, Everett seconded to set the 2014 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 2014-03 for the Water, Sewer and Refuse Rate Schedule for 2014/2015 to become effective as of July 1, 2014.

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

-Briggs moved, Everett seconded to adopt Resolution 2014-04 amending the Fees and Charges for Miscellaneous Services to become effective July 1, 2014.

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

Second Call to Public

No Comments

Next Regular Meeting will be July 8, 2014

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

Meeting Adjourned at 7:26 pm

Respectfully submitted,

Kimberly Blythe, City Manager-Clerk/Treasurer