

**READING CITY COUNCIL
REGULAR MEETING
Tuesday, December 9, 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: Betty Cook, Mark Wiley and Kyle Wilson

PLEDGE TO ALLEGIANCE

Approval of Minutes

-Briggs moved and Everett seconded to approve the minutes of the November 11, 2014 regular meeting as presented. Carried (5-0)

Review and Approval of Financial Statements:

-Wheeler moved and Everett seconded to accept the Treasurer's Report and Financial Statements for November 2014 as presented. Carried (5-0)

PAYMENT OF OPERATING BILLS:

-Wheeler moved, Briggs seconded to pay the operating bills in the amount of \$229,015.38 drawn from the proper accounts. Carried (5-0)

CONSENT AGENDA:

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

FIRST CALL TO PUBLIC:

Mark Wiley, County Commissioner gave an update to Council and guests on different projects that the County is working on such as the 2015 Budget, allocation of the two ambulance millages and allocating some of the millage for equipment/capital projects toward technology upgrades. Mr. Wiley also stated that the Hillsdale County Senior Services Center will be conducting a Public Forum in regards to their proposed Building addition.

OLD BUSINESS:

None

NEW BUSINESS:

-Donihue moved, Wheeler seconded to accept the 2013/2014 Audited Financial Statements from Condon, Hecht, Bisher, Wade & Co., P.C. as presented. Carried (5-0)

-Briggs moved, Wheeler seconded to adopt Resolution 2014-07 (resolution to adopt the annual exemption option as set forth in 2011 Public Act 152, the Publicly Funded Health Insurance Contribution) A roll call vote was: Everett, yes; Wheeler, yes; Cook, yes; Donihue, yes and Briggs, yes. The Resolution was declared adopted.

-Donihue moved, Briggs seconded to re-appoint Geraldine Kerspilo to the Library Board beginning January 1, 2015-December 31, 2017. Carried (5-0)

-Donihue moved, Wheeler seconded to appoint Robert Jepson to the Board of Review for a three year term beginning January 1, 2015-December 31, 2017. Carried (5-0)

-Donihue moved, Everett seconded to re-appoint Dale Cook to the Planning Commission for a three term beginning January 1, 2015-December 31, 2017. Carried (5-0)

-Donihue moved, Wheeler seconded to approve \$1600 towards the Storm Drain repairs as proposed by MTEngineering and Rutz Excavating to install 140 feet of 10" sdr 35 on the School Bus Parking lot from the previously installed drain tile going east towards the East Street Catch basin.

Roll call vote Yeas: Everett, Wheeler, Cook, Donihue and Briggs Nays-None

It was the consensus of the Council to table the request for the proposed Traffic Control order making Strong Street One Way between the hours of 7am-8am and 2:45pm-3:45pm. The Council would like the Police Department to review the request and traffic on Strong Street during that time and maybe have someone at the meeting from the school to discuss other alternatives to the traffic problems during those specified times.

-Donihue moved and Everett seconded to approve a monetary Christmas Gift to all 8 active City Employees in the amount of \$216.57 each.

Roll Call Vote: Yeas: Everett, Wheeler, Cook, Donihue and Briggs Nays: None

Other:

Councilor Briggs requested permission of Council to be excused from the February, March and April Council Meetings.

-Wheeler moved, Everett seconded to excuse Councilor Briggs absence from the February, March and April 2015 Council meetings. Carried (5-0)

Second Call to Public

None

Next Regular Meeting will be January 13, 2015 at 6:30 pm

-Everett moved, Wheeler seconded to adjourn the meeting. Carried (5-0)
Meeting Adjourned at 7:35 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Kimberly Blythe, City Manager-Clerk/Treasurer