READING CITY COUNCIL
REGULAR MEETING
Tuesday, February 14, 2017
READING CITY HALL

MEETING CALLED TO ORDER BY MAYOR DONIHUE AT 6:30 P.M.
ROLL CALL: Everett, Donihue and Matthews were present
Kimberly Blythe, City Manager/Clerk/Treasurer also present
Absent: Briggs and Wheeler (Excused)
GUESTS: Betty Blount, Rob Cooley and Bob Jepson
PLEDGE TO ALLEGIANCE
Approval of Minutes
-Everett moved, Matthews seconded to approve the minutes from the Regular Meeting January 10, 2017. Motion Carried (3-0)
Treasurer's Report and Financial Statements
-Donihue moved, Everett seconded to approve the Treasurer's Report and Financial Statements for January 2016. Motion Carried (3-0)
Payment of Operating Bills
-Everett moved, Matthews seconded to pay the operating bills in the amount of $55,237.66 drawn from the proper accounts. Motion Carried (3-0)

Correspondence: Economic Development Partnership of Hillsdale County sent a Thank You to the City for our continued investment and support of the EDP and stated that they work diligently to provide services to local businesses, schools and the manufacturing community to enhance their retention and growth efforts.

Consent Agenda
-Everett moved, Donihue seconded to accept the Consent Agenda as presented.
Motion Carried (3-0)

FIRST CALL TO PUBLIC
Betty Blount let Council and Guests know that the Chamber has begun plans for the 2017 Festival days that will begin on Thursday, August 3, 2017 and that Melissa Clabaugh along with her husband Chris are spearheading the 2017 Festival Days. She also stated that the Chamber voted to change their meetings to the second Wednesday of the month at 7pm.

Wheeler arrived at 6:42pm

OLD BUSINESS:
-Wheeler moved, Everett seconded to authorize the Mayor to sign the Professional Services Agreement with David Arthur Consultants, Inc. to provide a Preliminary Architectural Feasibility Report with a Preliminary Floor Plan as well as the necessary documents and requirements for the preliminary submission for pre-approval to the USDA Rural Development for grant and/or loan funding.
Roll Call Vote: Yeas- Everett, Wheeler, Donihue and Matthews Nays- None; Absent: Briggs

NEW BUSINESS:
-Wheeler moved, Everett seconded that the council adopts the Federal Poverty Guidelines for the 2017 property tax assessments. Carried (4-0)

-Wheeler moved, Everett seconded to approve the contract with Domestic Harmony for 2017 in the amount of $250.
Roll Call Vote: Yeas- Everett, Wheeler, Donihue and Matthews Nays- None; Absent: Briggs

-Matthews moved, Wheeler seconded to authorize the purchase of 12 New Christmas decorations, for the downtown light poles, as quoted from GP Designs in Marion, Indiana in the amount of $2,642.
Roll Call Vote: Yeas- Everett, Wheeler, Donihue and Matthews Nays- None; Absent: Briggs

-Everett moved, Matthews seconded to appoint Luetta Richards to the Board of Review to fill the remainder of the term that expires December 31, 2019. Carried (4-0)

March Board of Review will meet Monday, March 13, 2017 from 1:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m. and 6:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m. and Tuesday, March 14, 2017 from 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. and 1:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m.

-Donihue moved, Wheeler seconded to approve a quote from JD Construction to crush pile of asphalt estimated to be between 400-450 ton in the amount of $8400.
Roll Call Vote: Yeas- Everett, Wheeler, Donihue and Matthews Nays- None; Absent: Briggs

The asphalt was removed from Chestnut Street during the reconstruction in 2015 and grinding the remaining asphalt down to a finer material will make it more conducive to use on road shoulders and city owned gravel lots.

Next Council meeting will be Tuesday, March 14, 2017 at 6:30 pm Council Chambers

SECOND CALL TO PUBLIC
None

ADJOURNMENT:
-Donihue moved, Everett seconded to adjourn the Meeting. Motion Carried (4-0)
Meeting was adjourned at 7:05 pm

Respectfully Submitted,

Kimberly Blythe, City Manager/Clerk Treasurer