

**READING CITY COUNCIL
REGULAR MEETING
TUESDAY, June 11, 2019
READING CITY HALL**

MEETING CALLED TO ORDER BY MAYOR MATTHEWS AT 6:34 P.M.

ROLL CALL: George, Matz, Matthews, Penney and Briggs

Kimberly Blythe, City Manager/Clerk/Treasurer also present

GUESTS: Doug Sanford, Mark Wiley, Tracy Donihue and Chuck Hartshorn

PLEDGE TO ALLEGIANCE

Approval of Minutes

-Matz moved, Briggs seconded to approve the minutes from the Regular Meeting of May 14, 2019.
Motion Carried (5-0)

Approval of Treasurer's Report & Financial Statements

-Penney moved, Matz seconded to approve the Treasurer's Report & Financial Statements for April. Motion Carried (5-0)

Payment of Operating Bills

-Penney moved, Matz seconded to pay the operating bills in the amount of \$35,255.90 drawn from the proper accounts.

ROLL CALL VOTE: Yeas- George, Matz, Matthews, Penney and Briggs; Nays- None; Motion Carried (5-0)

Consent Agenda

Briggs moved, Matz seconded to accept the Consent Agenda as presented.

Motion Carried (5-0)

Guests: Mark Wiley, County Commissioner and Doug Sanford, Director Hillsdale County Emergency Services.

Mr. Wiley shared with the Council and Guests that the Commissioners Meetings will now be available for viewing on You Tube. He also shared that the Commissioners held their truth in Taxation Hearing earlier that day as part of their Commissioners Meeting. He also stated that the County is leasing form Enterprise County Fleet Vehicles to be used by Appointed and Elected Officials.

Mr. Sanford passed out brochures to the Council and Guests and also shared that there will be a county wide Special Election on Tuesday, August 6, 2019 for a request of a 911 Surcharge Renewal.

Public Hearing: Budget Hearing 2019/2020

Mayor Matthews called the Public Hearing, for the 2019/2020 Budget to order at 6:51 p.m. The Budget will propose the estimated expenditures and revenues. Also salary allocations and how it will affect each fund. TIFA's budget was also presented. The budget process also included the water, sewer and refuse rate schedules. There was a proposed 25% increase to the sewer monthly maintenance fee and no increase to the water and refuse rates. Discussion was held on the 2019 tax millage rate and the rate will stay the same 12.5302 mills. Misc. Rates Fee Schedule as well as the Cemetery Rate Schedule were included and there is no proposed increase at this

time. There was also discussion on TIFA's budget and discussion that the TIFA Capture percentage had gone up as there was an increase in TIFA's Taxable Value, although there was an overall decrease in the City's Taxable Value. TIFA's increase was due to improvements at The Anderson's as well as Nutrien Ag Solutions.

-Penney moved, Briggs seconded to adjourn the budget hearing. Motion Carried (5-0)
Hearing adjourned at 7:24 pm

FIRST CALL TO PUBLIC:

Tracy Donihue thanked the Council for allowing the use of the Pulling Track on June 8, 2019 for the Antique Tractor Pulls. He said that the pull was very successful and that they had 106 Hooks, which was an outstanding turn-out for their first pull. They would like to hold the pull again in 2020, but are unsure of the date.

OLD BUSINESS/Ongoing Business:

Reading Releaf Center-MMFLA Conditional Authorization

Matz moved, George seconded to revoke the conditional authorization for a provisioning center for Randy & Kelli Cook, Reading Releaf Center, due to a lack of information, cooperation and communication.

ROLL CALL VOTE: Yeas- George, Matz, Matthews, Penney and Briggs; Nays- None;
Motion Carried (5-0)

Adoption of International Property Maintenance Code- Update

We are waiting on some additional information from the City Attorney in regards to and Ordinance for Municipal Civil Infractions and also an ordinance adopting the International Property Maintenance Code.

NEW BUSINESS:

Budget Adjustments and Fund Transfers 2018/2019 Budget

-Matz moved, Briggs seconded to approve the Budget Adjustments and Fund Transfers as outlined in the Clerk/Treasurer's Memo dated June 11, 2019

ROLL CALL VOTE: Yeas- George, Matz, Matthews, Penney and Briggs; Nays- None;
Motion Carried (5-0)

F/y 2019/2020 Budget

-Penney moved, George seconded to approve the Fiscal Year 2019/2020 Budget that includes the Activity Budget and Salary Allocation Schedule as well as approval of the TIFA Budget.

ROLL CALL VOTE: Yeas- George, Matz, Matthews, Penney and Briggs; Nays- None;
Motion Carried (5-0)

2019 Tax Millage Rate

-Matz moved, Briggs seconded to set the 2019 Millage Rate at 12.5302 mills.

ROLL CALL VOTE: Yeas- George, Matz, Matthews, Penney and Briggs; Nays- None;
Motion Carried (5-0)

2019/2020 Water, Sewer, Refuse Rate Schedules

-Penney moved, Matz seconded to adopt Resolution 4-2019, the water, sewer and refuse rate schedule for the 2019/2020 fiscal year to become effective July 1, 2019.

ROLL CALL VOTE: Yeas- George, Matz, Matthews, Penney and Briggs; Nays- None;
Motion Carried (5-0)

Approval to extend the TIFA Plan adopted in 2000 until June 30, 2020

-Matz moved, George seconded to approve to extend the current TIFA Plan, adopted in 2000, until June 30, 2020.

ROLL CALL VOTE: Yeas- George, Matz, Matthews, Penney and Briggs; Nays- None;
Motion Carried (5-0)

Addition(s) to agenda-

Amended MMFLA Application Checklist/Application

-Penney moved, Briggs seconded to approve the amendment to the MMFLA Application and Checklist as presented.

ROLL CALL VOTE: Yeas- George, Matz, Matthews, Penney and Briggs; Nays- None;
Motion Carried (5-0)

The additions/amendments to the application/checklist include the recent amendments to the Ordinance, such as the fee of \$5000 and the requirement of Pre-qualification status with the State of Michigan and the application checklist will also require all applications to include their complete application and any attachments to the State of Michigan for Licensing.

Application for 1 Single Male Red Fox Kit

-Matz moved, George seconded to grant a permit for 1 Single Male Red Fox Kit to Chad Penney at 204 S. Union Street.

Motion Carried 4-0 with Penney Abstaining

SECOND CALL TO PUBLIC:

No comment

ADJOURNMENT:

-Briggs moved, Penney seconded to adjourn the Meeting. Motion Carried (5-0)
Meeting was adjourned at 8:20 pm.

Next meeting will be Tuesday, July 9, 2019 at 6:30 pm in Council Chambers.

Respectfully Submitted,

Kimberly Blythe, City Manager/Clerk Treasurer