

**READING CITY COUNCIL
REGULAR MEETING
Tuesday, October 11, 2016
READING CITY HALL**

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

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

Absent: Cook

GUESTS: Bob Jepson, Betty Blount and Dustin Wheeler arrived at 7:00pm

PLEDGE TO ALLEGIANCE

-Wheeler moved, Briggs seconded to excuse Councilor Cook from the meeting.

Carried (4-0)

Approval of Minutes

-Donihue moved, Briggs seconded to approve the minutes from the Regular Meeting of September 13, 2016. Motion Carried (4-0)

Treasurer's Report and Financial Statements

-Wheeler moved, Briggs seconded to approve the Treasurer's Report and Financial Statements for September 2016. Motion Carried (4-0)

Payment of Operating Bills

-Wheeler moved, Everett seconded to pay the operating bills in the amount of \$149,712.22 drawn from the proper accounts. Motion Carried (4-0)

Consent Agenda

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

Motion Carried (4-0)

FIRST CALL TO PUBLIC

Betty Blount updated the Council on the Oktoberfest Activities on October 29th and handed out a flyer with a schedule of events for both the 28th and 29th of October.

OLD BUSINESS:

Halloween 2016- Just a reminder to everyone that Halloween will be celebrated on Saturday, October 29th Trick or Treat will take place from 4-6pm Pumpkin Glow from 5:30-7:30pm in the Parking Lot of the new city building at 190 Michigan Street, Parade at 7 pm with Costume Judging after Parade at the announcers stand as well as cider & donuts at the Fire Barn.

190 Michigan Street Update: We closed on the property on September 29th, Bob has already ordered and had power and gas turned on. Bob has started moving over there in the back part of the building and working out of there, that way he can start some of the clean up on the building. I have set up a meeting, Tuesday, October 18th with B.J., Haire, Loan Specialist from the USDA to look at options for renovations and office equipment for the building. Bob and I will continue to keep you apprised as to what is going on with the project.

Bob Jepson, Maintenance Department let Council know that as part of the garage re-hab project that they replaced the electrical panel and the one that was removed was a push-o-matic that have been selling on Ebay and wanted to make sure it was the consensus of the Council to allow him to do same with the one he removed. It was the Consensus of the Council to allow him to do so.

NEW BUSINESS:

-Donihue moved, Everett seconded to approve the purchase of the smaller flow meter at the south well in the amount of \$5,950 and to do their due diligence in looking for additional quotes to compare cost of the flow meter.

Roll Call Vote: Yeas- Everett, Wheeler, Donihue and Briggs Nays- None Absent- Cook
Motion Carried 4-0

-Wheeler moved, Donihue seconded to approve purchasing the gantries, trollies and hoist for the equipment garage in an amount not to exceed \$3,112, but to get additional quotes for cost comparison prior to purchase.

Roll Call Vote: Yeas- Everett, Wheeler, Donihue and Briggs Nays- None Absent- Cook
Motion Carried 4-0

-Everett moved, Donihue seconded to allow the Reading Chamber of Commerce to set up the Pumpkin Glow stands in the parking lot of the new city building located at 190 Michigan Street.
Carried (4-0)

A reminder to everyone that we have a General Election to be held on November 8th, polls are open from 7am to 8 pm. Please remind everyone you know who is eligible to vote and that anyone in need of an absentee ballot to please contact City Hall. Also, remember we have Mayor and Council to vote for on the back of the ballot in the Non-Partisan Section as well as the two Proposals to amend the Charter.

The City Election Commission or designees will conduct a Public Accuracy Test for the November General Election Ballot on Wednesday, October 19, 2016 at 9am. The public Accuracy Test is open to the public to test the M100 Scanner to ensure that it can read the ballots and accurately count votes.

After the meeting adjourned there was an election commission meeting to approve the steps necessary to conduct the November 8, 2016 General Election.

SECOND CALL TO PUBLIC: None

ADJOURNMENT:

-Cook moved, Briggs seconded to adjourn the Meeting. Motion Carried (4-0)
Meeting was adjourned at 7:13 pm

Respectfully Submitted,

Kimberly Blythe, City Manager/Clerk Treasurer