

Town of Hamilton

7750 S Wayne St – PO Box 249

Hamilton, In 46742

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January 4th, 2010 Town Council Meeting

7:00pm

1. Council President Brent Shull called the meeting to order at 7:00pm.

Roll call: Councilors John Damron, Will Nuttle, Dick Bacon and Brent Shull were present. The Clerk Treasurer, Hester Stouder was present to record the meeting. Also present was Town Manager Milton Otero and Town Attorney Dan Brinkerhoff. Absent members included Jeff Bireley. Attached is a list of audience members.

2. Reading & Approval of December 31st, 2009 Minutes – Councilman John Damron made a motion to approve the minutes as presented. Will Nuttle second the motion; motion carried with majority aye votes.

At this time Council President Brent Shull re-opened nominations for Council President and Vice President. Will Nuttle made a motion to nominate Brent Shull as President. Because the motion was already made and carried at a previous meeting the motion was not needed and therefore not seconded. With no other nominations brought before the board, Dick Bacon made a motion to close the nominations, John Damron seconded the motion, motion carried. Brent Shull will serve as council president and Will Nuttle as Vice President for the 2010 year.

3. Clerks Report -

- A. Claims – Clerk Treasurer Hester Stouder presented the claims for approval. With no questions, Dick Bacon made the motion to approve the claims presented, Will Nuttle seconded the motion, motion carried.
- B. Delinquent Accounts – Councilman Dick Bacon made a motion to approve the delinquent water/trash accounts as presented. John Damron seconded the motion, motion carried.
- C. Abandon Taps – Clerk Treasurer Hester Stouder went over a list the council had already received with 5 property taps to be abandoned. John Damron made a motion to approve the list and abandon the 5 taps. Will Nuttle seconded the motion, motion carried.

4. Reports –

- A. Town Manager – Town Manager Milton Otero asked the council for approve to attend a training once a month in phase I where he would graduate as a certified public manager and in Phase II as a nationally certified public manager. He said the cost would be \$1295.00 with a \$200.00 scholarship. The clerk asked if the payment was made upfront or monthly? He wasn't sure and said he would get the information regarding payment arrangements. Will Nuttle made the motion

to approve Phase I of the training requested, Dick Bacon seconded the motion, motion carried. (Please see attached)

- B. Street Department – (Please see attached)
- C. Police Department – (Please see attached)
- D. Water Department – A main line water break was repaired 1/4/2010 at 600 S. Wayne Street and is back in good working order. (Please see attached)

5. Old Business –

- A. Compost Site Hours – Council President Brent Shull elaborated on a suggestion made at a meeting in December to have the compost site open only 1 Saturday a month. He now recommended it be open 1 or 2 days a month depending on the busyness. Will Nuttle asked Milton what the Street Department thought of comp time and keeping it open every Saturday from April – December. Mr. Otero said he did not get any feedback from them and reminded the council; the site is also open during the week to accommodate customers. Without knowing what months are the busiest and having the street departments input, Brent asked that the topic be tabled and on the agenda for February.

4. New Business –

No new business was brought before the council at this time.

Public Comments/Questions –

Mrs. Jan Myers asked if Bruce Lautzenheiser would be serving on the Plan Commission? Council President Brent Shull said they were looking at the jurisdictional limits and Mr. Lautzenheiser had respectfully resigned from filling that position. While getting the jurisdictional questions answered, they will continue working with the county to fill the remaining plan commission seat.

With no other comments or items of business, the motion to adjourn was made by Dick Bacon and seconded by John Damron. The meeting adjourned at 7:14 pm.

Hester Stouder - Clerk Treasurer

Brent Shull – Council President