

A regular meeting of the City Council was held at City Hall, 200 S. Main Street on Monday, January 9, 2012, at 7:00 p.m.

Mayor Platte called the meeting to order.

Present were Mayor Platte and Councilpersons Greenhoe, Brown, Harri and Norris. None were absent.

The invocation was given by Pastor Scott Boles of the First Baptist church.

The Oath of Office was administered by the City Clerk to Councilman Michael K. Harri, Councilwoman Claudia Brown and Councilman Thomas D. Norris.

The Agenda was approved as printed.

The December 27, 2011, Regular Minutes and the January 3, 2012, Worksession Minutes were approved as printed.

Councilman Harri moved that disbursements of \$134,813.16, with the breakdown being General Fund Checks in the amount of \$66,946.12 - check numbers 58395 through 58456 and Wire Transfers in the amount of \$67,867.04; seconded by Councilman Greenhoe, passed unanimously.

Mayor Platte stated that it was his recommendation to appoint Michael Harri as Mayor Pro Tem. Councilman Norris moved Council approve the Mayor's recommendation to appoint Michael Harri as the Mayor Pro Tem; seconded by Councilman Greenhoe, passed unanimously.

Councilman Norris moved Council approve the Mayor's recommendation to appoint Rebecca Buehrer, 202 State Street, to the Planning Commission, to replace Valerie Kunkel, for an unexpired term which will expire on January 31, 2013; seconded by Councilman Harri, passed unanimously.

Councilwoman Brown moved Council approve the bid from BioClean Team, Inc., for the cleaning of 414 Brook street, in the amount of \$8,978.00; seconded by Councilman Greenhoe, passed unanimously.

Councilman Norris moved Council approve the Parks Board recommendation to approve the Business Plan for creating a Dog Park on Eaton Pines Blvd., which is a currently owned City Park; seconded by Councilman Greenhoe, passed unanimously.

Councilman Harri moved Council approve the Resolution in support of obtaining Grant Funding for the Island Park Restoration project; seconded by Councilwoman Brown, passed unanimously.

Rod Schultz, 1303 Montgomery Street, appeared before Council regarding the Dog Park; Hall and Montgomery Street being in poor condition; and congratulations to the Council that was re-elected.

Mayor Platte reported on the following: congratulated the three Precinct Councilmembers that were elected and was looking forward to working with them; and that he was happy to hear that there were no issues on New Years Eve.

Councilman Greenhoe reported on the following: congratulated the three elected Councilmembers; congratulated Councilman Harri on his appointment as Mayor Pro Tem; and welcomed back Councilman Norris.

Councilwoman Brown reported on the following: that it was good to be back from vacation; and that she was looking forward to 2012 and what a good year this was going to be.

Councilman Harri reported on the following: congratulated his colleagues on the election; that there is lots of work to do in the City and that Council needed to continue to work together and move in a positive direction; that he was happy about the Island Restoration project as this has been a long neglected project and it is the jewel of the City; and that 414 Brook Street needs to be fixed and have monies spent for the common good of the community so that it is no longer an eyesore.

Councilman Norris reported on the following: congratulated his colleagues on the win; what a great honor it is to be back serving the community and he has so much more to give; that he looks forward to working with staff and what a terrific City team we have and that he hopes to make a positive impact over the next four years.

City Manager Stoppels reported on the following: that over the past year he has looked at the operations of the City, and that during his tenure in municipal government, he has experience in the Public Works arena, and that the two employees that the City has are outstanding and should be commended for the jobs that they do. City Manager Stoppels further stated that after being here for over a year he has implemented a reorganization of the Public Service Department so that Scott and Todd's expertise in certain areas could be realized by the City. City Manager Stoppels stated that Scott Poyer does a tremendous job in the Community Development area, and is a strong asset to the City with his ability in this area and that with the reorganization he would have more time to dedicate to this. City Manager Stoppels stated that Todd Nichols had expertise in Maintenance of a Department and what a tremendous job he has done at the Wastewater Treatment Plant. City Manager Stoppels stated that the reorganization of the Department would be split down the middle with staff and responsibilities and would also empower the Working Foremen in the different divisions and that this would allow the Department to be more efficient and that he was very excited about this opportunity in moving the City forward and allowing Scott and Todd's expertise to be utilized to their fullest. City Manager Stoppels stated that Scott would now be the Utilities Director and that Todd would be the Public Service Director.

City Assessor Baker reported on the following: congratulated the Council on the election.

Public Service Director Nichols reported on the following: thanked the City and Council for the opportunity that has been given to him, and that he and Scott have met and that he really appreciates the support that he is receiving from Scott.

Fire Chief McNutt reported on the following: that the pumper should be fixed and back to the Department by tomorrow.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:29 p.m.

Steven G. Platte, Mayor

Kristy Reinecke, City Clerk