

A worksession of the City Council was held at City Hall, 200 S. Main Street, on Monday, March 17, 2014, at 5:00 p.m.

Present were Mayor Platte and Councilpersons Brown, Harri and Burke. Councilman McGee was absent and excused.

Administrative Staff Present was City Manager Jon Stoppels, DPW/WWTP Director Todd Nichols, Police Chief Larry Weeks, Utility Director Scott Poyer, City Assessor Mike Baker, Treasurer Lisa St. Aubin, Library Director Sandy Porter, Building Inspector Jon Hill, Deputy Treasurer Marrie Jo Drake and City Clerk Kristy Reinecke.

Purpose of the meeting was a worksession. Notice of the meeting was duly given.

Public Comments:

None.

Department Head Reports:

Chief Weeks reported on the following: introduced Officer Dover who is the Department's Field Training Officer; and introduced new Police Officer Ryan Hillard who just started with the Department today.

City Clerk Reinecke administered the Oath of Office to Officer Hillard.

City Council welcomed him to the City and the Department.

New Business Topics of Discussion were:

Utility Director Poyer reviewed with the Council the quote that had been received from Peerless Midwest for the cleaning of Well #1 as well as a pump overhaul. Utility Director Poyer stated that this needs to be done every two to three years to the Wells to get rid of corrosion that has formed. This item will appear on the March 24th Agenda.

Utility Director Poyer reviewed with Council the three Resolutions that will need to be adopted as they relate to the MDOT Grant and the GAR Bridge restoration project. These Resolutions will appear on the March 24th Agenda.

Old Business Topics of Discussion were:

City Manager Stoppels reviewed with Council the Drug Policy that had been previously discussed with Council and the direction that Council wants to take with this revised Policy. After a lengthy discussion it was the concession of the Council that the Policy be for all City Employees. This item will continue to be discussed by Council as revisions are made.

Mayor Platte reviewed with Council the proposed Smoking Ordinance and stated that it is scheduled to be on the Agenda for Second Reading and Adoption and wondered if Council had any further concerns regarding this Ordinance. There was no further discussion. This item will appear on the March 24th Agenda.

Public Comments:

Susan Kandell, 605 E. Knight Street, appeared before Council regarding the sidewalk funding for Knight Street; and the Recycling Center.

Council Comments for the Good of the Order:

Councilman Burke reported on the following: congratulate the Girls Basketball Team on winning the Class B State Championship and what a great support from the community the team had.

The meeting was adjourned at 6:05 p.m.

Steven G. Platte, Mayor

Kristy Reinecke, City Clerk