

City of Corunna
Regular Council Meeting
Wednesday, February 23, 2005

Present: Johnson, Mehigh, Runyan, Sanderson, Spring, Wagner.

Absent: Corey (excused).

Guests: Joe Sawyer, City Manager; Helen Granger, The Independent; Judy Horton; Chief Mark Hetfield, Police Department; Cheryl Warren, The Argus Press; Tim Crawford, Superintendent of Public Works; Nina Hall; Gary Arnold, Capital Consultants; Janet Washburn, Parks & Recreation Director; Merilee Lawson, Assessor/Planner; Leslie Crawford; Shirley Sanderson; Charlie Schaufele; Bernie Yott; and other concerned citizens.

The meeting was called to order in the City Council Chambers by Mayor Pro-Tem Runyan at 7:00 p.m.

MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS REGULAR MEETING: Johnson moved, Wagner seconded to accept the previous regular meeting minutes dated January 18, 2005 as presented.

Roll call vote:

Yes: Wagner, Johnson, Sanderson, Runyan, Spring, Mehigh.

No: None.

Motion CARRIED

AGENDA APPROVAL: Wagner moved, Johnson seconded to approve the agenda as presented with the addition of Item No. 5) Consider Appointment of Hearing Officer for Unsafe and Dangerous Structure.

Roll call vote:

Yes: Spring, Runyan, Mehigh, Wagner, Johnson, Sanderson.

No: None.

Motion CARRIED

APPROVAL OF VENDOR DISBURSEMENTS: Johnson moved, Wagner seconded to approve the vendor disbursements dated January 28, 2005 and February 11, 2005 as presented.

Roll call vote:

Yes: Runyan, Wagner, Spring, Sanderson, Mehigh, Johnson.

No: None.

Motion CARRIED

CITY MANAGER'S REPORT: Joe Sawyer reviewed his city manager's report. He advised Alex Allie would be meeting with the Budget Advisory Committee on Tuesday, March 1, 2005.

CONSIDER CONCURRENCE WITH ADMINISTRATIVE OPTION PERIOD FOR PTL LAND MANAGEMENT'S CASH-OUT OPTION: Mr. Sawyer advised the title office would not

accept the previous council motion because a time period was not listed. Wagner moved, Johnson seconded to establish the PTL Land Management Cash-Out Period as on or before March 1, 2005.

Roll call vote:

Yes: Sanderson, Mehigh, Johnson, Spring, Wagner, Runyan.

No: None.

Motion CARRIED

CONSIDER APPOINTMENT TO SATA REORGANIZATION COMMITTEE: Sanderson moved, Mehigh seconded to appoint Steve Corey to the SATA Reorganization Committee and appoint Charles Spring to fill in temporarily until Mr. Corey returns.

Roll call vote:

Yes: Mehigh, Spring, Runyan, Johnson, Sanderson.

No: Wagner.

Motion CARRIED

CONSIDER K-MART TAX SETTLEMENT: Mr. Sawyer advised K-Mart went through a bankruptcy reorganization in 2002 and they currently owe the city \$27,000 in unpaid personal property taxes. The bankruptcy court has awarded the city a settlement of one-third of the amount that is owed. Mehigh moved, Sanderson seconded to approve the settlement agreement with K-Mart Corporation as presented and authorize the city manager to execute the agreement.

Roll call vote:

Yes: Johnson, Sanderson, Wagner, Mehigh, Runyan, Spring.

No: None.

Motion CARRIED

CONSIDER 2005 SEWER IMPROVEMENTS DESIGN AND CONSTRUCTION

ENGINEERING CONTRACT WITH CAPITAL CONSULTANTS: Gary Arnold from Capital Consultants explained the sewer improvement project would line 23,000 feet of sanitary sewers. Mr. Sawyer asked what the life expectancy of the relined sewer lines would be. Mr. Arnold advised 50 years. Councilperson Mehigh asked if there was any warranty on the lining material. Mr. Arnold advised he thought there was a 20-year warranty but he would have to check. Mehigh moved, Johnson seconded to approve the Construction Engineering Contract for the 2005 Sanitary Sewer Rehabilitation Project with Capital Consultants in the amount of \$98,500.

Roll call vote:

Yes: Wagner, Johnson, Sanderson, Runyan, Spring, Mehigh.

No: None.

Motion CARRIED

CONSIDER APPOINTMENT OF HEARING OFFICER FOR UNSAFE AND DANGEROUS

STRUCTURE: Mr. Sawyer advised there is an unsafe residential structure on N. Shiawassee Street and under the city code provisions, the city council needs to appoint a hearing officer who will take reports from the building inspector and department of public works and make recommendations on how the structure will be dealt with. Wagner moved, Sanderson seconded to appoint Homer Bennett as Hearing Officer for Unsafe and

Dangerous Structure review.

Roll call vote:

Yes: Spring, Runyan, Mehig, Wagner, Johnson, Sanderson.

No: None.

Motion CARRIED

ROUNDTABLE DISCUSSION: Councilperson Mehig stated he wanted to thank the Department of Public Works for doing an outstanding job this winter plowing the streets and handling the water main breaks.

Councilperson Spring advised he and his wife would be attending the Corunna VFW dinner. Councilpersons Mehig, Sanderson & his wife, Johnson & her husband and Runyan advised they would also be attending the dinner.

Councilperson Johnson advised the planning commission is almost finished revising the sign ordinance.

Councilperson Sanderson stated he was glad to see the SATA vote turn out the way it did but he was disappointed in the voter turnout. He hopes the business will be run properly and the Corunna residents are satisfied.

Councilperson Runyan stated he was also glad the SATA millage passed because the residents in Corunna deserve and need the service. He further stated all of the money made from the American Cancer Society's fundraiser will stay in Shiawassee County.

ADJOURN: Johnson moved, Mehig seconded to adjourn.

Roll call vote:

Yes: Spring, Runyan, Mehig, Wagner, Johnson, Sanderson.

No: None.

Motion CARRIED Time was 7:55 p.m.

LARRY RUNYAN, MAYOR PRO-TEM

LINDA M. LeCUREUX, DEPUTY CLERK