

City of Corunna
Regular Council Meeting
Monday, December 21, 2009

Present: Mehigh, Jessen, Reichert, Johnson, Haskins, Sarrazin.

Absent: Kerridge (excused).

Guests: Joe Sawyer, City Manager; Merilee Lawson, Assessor/Planner; Judy Horton; Jeff Crouse; Leonard Walter; Harold Buck Kuisel; Helen Granger, The Independent; Gary Granger; John Pajtas; and other concerned citizens.

The meeting was called to order in the council chambers located in Corunna City Hall by Mayor Pro-Tem Jessen at 7:00 p.m.

MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS REGULAR MEETING: Johnson moved, Sarrazin seconded to approve the previous regular meeting minutes dated December 7, 2009 as presented.

Roll call vote:

Yes: Jessen, Reichert, Johnson, Haskins, Sarrazin, Mehigh.

No: None.

Motion CARRIED

AGENDA APPROVAL: Johnson moved, Reichert seconded to approve the agenda with the following addition: move Item No. 1 to 1A and make Item No. 1) Consider Excusal of Mayor Kerridge From the December 21, 2009 Council Meeting Due to Work Conflict.

Roll call vote:

Yes: Reichert, Johnson, Haskins, Sarrazin, Mehigh, Jessen.

No: None.

Motion CARRIED

APPROVAL OF VENDOR DISBURSEMENTS: Johnson moved, Reichert seconded to approve the vendor disbursements dated December 11, 2009 as presented.

Roll call vote:

Yes: Johnson, Haskins, Sarrazin, Mehigh, Jessen, Reichert.

No: None.

Motion CARRIED

CALL TO AUDIENCE: Leonard Walter stated he lives on Shipman Road and he was at the meeting to ask why the light is not on the flag at the veteran's memorial in McCurdy Park. There is a light on the memorial, but there is not one on the flag. He further stated there is a way to clean the memorial and suggested calling Marsh Monument who can tell the city how to clean it. The memorial looks bad and it should be cleaned. He also stated he had the memorial cleaned at Fayette Square in Owosso and suggested to council that they take a look at it. Mayor Pro-Tem Jessen advised he would have someone take a look at the flag light.

Harold Buck Kuisel advised he is a candidate for state representative in the 85th district. Last month, he thanked the veterans for their service on Veteran's Day and he wanted to thank the council tonight for their service. He further advised he has been in public service for 41 years and has enjoyed every minute, day and year of it because he is giving himself to his country, the people and his clients. He also advised the people of the City of Corunna are well served. After he is elected, he will come back and work with each and every council person because he wants to get to know them as people. He wished everyone a Merry Christmas.

CITY MANAGER'S REPORT: Mr. Sawyer gave an update on the community center. He advised insulation in the new entry went in on Sunday and the new windows were delivered today. There is about \$600 left, which might be enough to buy some drywall for the entry way. He asked for help in hanging drywall and installing the windows. The biggest thing people can do for the community center is to sell some calendars.

CONSIDER EXCUSAL OF MAYOR KERRIDGE FROM THE DECEMBER 21, 2009 COUNCIL MEETING DUE TO WORK CONFLICT: Johnson moved, Haskins seconded to excuse Mayor Kerridge from the December 21, 2009 council meeting due to work conflict.

Roll call vote:

Yes: Haskins, Sarrazin, Mehigh, Jessen, Reichert, Johnson.

No: None.

Motion CARRIED

CONSIDER RE-APPOINTMENT OF BOB HOSCHNER TO THE CORUNNA DOWNTOWN DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY: Haskins moved, Johnson seconded to re-appoint Bob Hoschner to the Corunna Downtown Development Authority with term to expire December 31, 2013.

Roll call vote:

Yes: Sarrazin, Mehigh, Jessen, Reichert, Johnson, Haskins.

No: None.

Motion CARRIED

CONSIDER RE-APPOINTMENT OF BILL GRAHAM TO THE CORUNNA DOWNTOWN DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY: Johnson moved, Sarrazin seconded to re-appoint Bill Graham to the Corunna Downtown Development Authority with term to expire December 31, 2013.

Roll call vote:

Yes: Jessen, Johnson, Reichert, Mehigh, Sarrazin, Haskins.

No: None.

Motion CARRIED

CONSIDER RE-APPOINTMENT OF MARY DUMOND TO THE CORUNNA BOARD OF REVIEW: Johnson moved, Sarrazin seconded to re-appoint Mary Dumond to the Corunna Board of Review with term to expire December 31, 2012.

Roll call vote:

Yes: Reichert, Jessen, Sarrazin, Haskins, Mehigh, Johnson.
No: None.

Motion CARRIED

CONSIDER RE-APPOINTMENT OF DAVID DUMOND TO THE CORUNNA ECONOMIC

DEVELOPMENT FUND BOARD: Johnson moved, Jessen seconded to re-appoint David Dumond to the Corunna Economic Development Fund Board with term to expire December 31, 2012.

Roll call vote:

Yes: Johnson, Reichert, Mehigh, Jessen, Haskins, Sarrazin.
No: None.

Motion CARRIED

CONSIDER APPOINTMENT OF ROBERT MOREHOUSE TO THE CORUNNA PLANNING

COMMISSION: Johnson moved, Sarrazin seconded to appoint Robert Morehouse to the Corunna Planning Commission with term to expire December 31, 2012.

Roll call vote:

Yes: Haskins, Jessen, Mehigh, Sarrazin, Johnson, Reichert.
No: None.

Motion CARRIED

CONSIDER RE-APPOINTMENT OF MILDRED SCHULTZ TO THE CORUNNA BOARD OF

REVIEW: Johnson moved, Haskins seconded to re-appoint Mildred Schultz to the Corunna Board of Review with term to expire December 31, 2012.

Roll call vote:

Yes: Sarrazin, Mehigh, Jessen, Johnson, Reichert, Haskins.
No: None.

Motion CARRIED

CONSIDER RESOLUTION NO. 122109-01, ESTABLISHMENT OF RETIREE HEALTH CARE

FUND TRUST: Johnson moved, Haskins seconded to approve the following Resolution No. 122109-01, Establishment of Retiree Health Care Fund Trust:

RESOLUTION 122109-01

for the

Establishment of Retiree Health Care Fund Trust

Whereas, the Board of City of Corunna, Michigan (“Board”), a Michigan public corporation, desires to establish an irrevocable trust, as provided for the Public Employee Health Care Fund Investment Act, 1999 PA 149, MCL 38.1211 to 38.1216, for the accumulation and investment of funds for the purpose of funding health care benefits to the retirants and the beneficiaries of retirants of the Board; and

Whereas, the irrevocable trust, the City of Corunna Retiree Health Care Fund Trust, is to be created as an Internal Revenue Code Section 115 trust agreement;

Now, Therefore be it Resolved, the Board hereby establishes the City of Corunna Retiree Health Care Fund Trust (Trust) effective January 1, 2010. Withdrawals from the Trust are solely restricted to the payment of health care benefits on behalf of qualified persons and the payment of expenses of administration of the Trust; and

Now, Therefore be it Further Resolved, the City Manager is hereby designated as a qualified person for the purposes of payment of health care benefits from the Trust and as such is authorized to direct payment of the monies from the Trust for the benefit of the eligible retirants enrolled in the retiree health care benefit program; and in accordance with the terms and conditions of the Trust and related retiree health care benefit program documents;

Now, Therefore be it Further Resolved, the Board shall serve as the fund's investment fiduciary and may employ professional services to support the Board's responsibility; and

Now, Therefore be it Further Resolved, the Board approves the investment of the assets of the Trust in accordance with the Public Employee System Investment Act, 1965 PA 314, MCL 38.1132 to 38.1140; and

Now, Therefore be it Further Resolved, the Board

- approves City manager to serve as Trustee of the Trust and do hereby authorize City Manager to act in any or all business related to the Trust; and
- approves and authorizes the City Manager as Trustee signature on the Retiree Health Insurance Section 115 Trust Agreement with Burnham & Flower Group, Inc. and on other related agreements; and
- authorizes the City Manager to act as the Administrator for the Trust and execute documents and agreements related to the Trust on behalf of the employer; and
- authorizes City Manager to serve as the committee for the Trust and authorizes City Manager to execute documents and agreements related to the Trust; and
- establishes the Trust on an actuarial basis.

Roll call vote:

Yes: Reichert, Mehig, Sarrazin, Haskins, Johnson, Jessen.

No: None.

Motion CARRIED

CONSIDER CANCELLATION OF JANUARY 4, 2010 COUNCIL MEETING: Mr. Sawyer advised

city hall is being shut down between Christmas and New Years and since council packets are normally done the Friday before the meeting, it is being requested that the January 4 council meeting be canceled. Johnson moved, Reichert seconded to cancel the January 4, 2010 council meeting.

Roll call vote:

Yes: Johnson, Haskins, Jessen, Sarrazin, Reichert, Mehig.

No: None.

Motion CARRIED

CALL TO AUDIENCE: Judy Horton, 315 N. Dutcher Street, stated as a taxpayer she wanted to ask the council if they would consider loaning the committee to save the community center some more money to get the insulation and drywall put up this winter so it can be rented out starting in the spring. She does not know exactly how much money is going to be needed but thought maybe \$15,000 to \$20,000. Councilperson Johnson stated she was not going to answer that question without a definite number. Ms. Horton stated she understood that but asked the council to think about it between now and the next meeting because Mr. Sawyer should know by then what it will cost. Mayor Pro-Tem Jessen suggested she talk to Mr. Sawyer and prepare something to present to the council. Ms. Horton stated she was only asking council to think about it. Mayor Pro-Tem Jessen stated he knew this was coming. Councilperson Haskins stated as long as money keeps coming in, it is a no brainer. Mr. Sawyer stated a full report on where the fundraising is will be brought to the next council meeting. He will also try to get a detailed estimate on what it will cost for insulation and drywall. He further stated he will bring council a list of what contractors and individuals have donated so they can be recognized. Councilperson Reichert asked what the next project might be. Mr. Sawyer advised he will put together a breakdown on what needs to be done. The priority right now is to finish the east 15 foot of the building plus the entry way. The next priority is to create accessible bathrooms and replace the lower level windows. He suggested scheduling the next council meeting at the community center since it is handicap accessible. He will check the calendar to see if it is available.

John Pajtas stated he was at the meeting to listen to what is going on in the city. He encouraged council to call him if they have anything that needs to be brought to the county. He advised the next county commissioner meeting will be held the second week of January.

ROUNDTABLE DISCUSSION: Councilperson Mehig advised he had nothing to discuss.

Councilperson Sarrazin wished everyone a Merry Christmas.

Councilperson Johnson wished everyone a Merry Christmas and advised the Christmas party was very nice and it was nice to see everyone there.

Councilperson Haskins wished everyone a Merry Christmas and a happy New Year.

Councilperson Reichert wished everyone a Merry Christmas. This was his first city Christmas party and was impressed on how well everything went. He thanked everyone who put it all together.

Mayor Pro-Tem Jessen wished everyone a Merry Christmas and a happy New Year. If there is anyone who did not go to the Christmas party, they should check out the city website and

look at the Christmas story that Mr. Sawyer did on Jib Jab because it summarizes the whole movie in 40 seconds.

ADJOURN: Jessen moved, Johnson seconded to adjourn.

Roll call vote:

Yes: Haskins, Sarrazin, Mehig, Johnson, Reichert, Jessen.

No: None.

Motion CARRIED Time was 7:42 p.m.

Charles Kerridge, Mayor

Nichole L. Cowdrey, City Clerk/Treasurer