

NITRO CITY COUNCIL
MEETING MINUTES
TUESDAY, MAY 4, 2010

CALL TO ORDER: Mayor Rusty Casto called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm in Council Chambers. In attendance were Mayor Casto, Recorder Rita Cox, Councilmen at Large Jim McKay, Dave Casebolt, and Bob Fields, Ward 1 Councilman A. A. "Joe" Savilla, Ward 3 Councilman Craig Matthews, Ward 4 Councilman Bill Javins, City Treasurer John Young, and City Attorney Richie Robb.

INVOCATION/PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE: The Invocation was given by Mark Smith of St. Paul's Methodist Church and the Pledge of Allegiance was led members of Girl Scout Troop 4813 of the Black Diamond Council.

FUTURE DATES OF COUNCIL: Mayor Casto said the future dates of Council are May 18, June 1, and June 15.

APPROVAL OF COUNCIL MINUTES: RECORDER RITA COX MOVED THE MINUTES OF THE APRIL 6 AND APRIL 20, 2010 MEETINGS OF COUNCIL BE APPROVED AS WRITTEN AND PRESENTED WITH A SECOND BY COUNCILMAN BILL JAVINS. VOTE WAS UNANIMOUS FOR THE MOTION TO CARRY.

CITIZEN OF THE MONTH: Mayor Casto announced the May Citizens of the Month were members of Girl Scout Troop 4813 which meets at St. Paul's Methodist Church. They had done work on a merit badge at the home of Halley Smith who had recently died. Her mother, Nancy Harrison, was in attendance and spoke on behalf of the Girl Scouts and the work they had done. Mayor Casto said that the city would honor the girls with a pool party at a later date. Councilman McKay said his daughter had attended school with Halley Smith and he was saddened by her death.

Mayor Casto said May 6 was the National Day of Prayer and the city would hold a service in front of City Hall at noon on that day. He asked that the Nitro Police Department block the street during the service.

OLD BUSINESS:

R C & D APPOINTMENT: RECORDER RITA COX MOVED IVAN MEADOWS BE REAPPOINTED AS THE CITY OF NITRO REPRESENTATIVE TO THE R C & D. COUNCILMAN BOB FIELDS SECONDED THE MOTION WHICH CARRIED WITH A UNANIMOUS VOTE.

CONVENTION AND VISITOR'S BUREAU LOAN: Treasurer John Young said that he would recommend a loan be made to the CVB to cover beginning operating costs. Recorder Rita Cox asked Richie Robb if this was legal. Attorney Robb said that he believed it to be legal. COUNCILMAN JIM MCKAY MOVED THAT THE CITY OF NITRO MAKE A LOAN OF \$5000.00 TO THE NITRO CONVENTION AND VISITOR'S BUREAU WITH THE UNDERSTANDING THE FULL AMOUNT IS TO BE REPAYED. THE MOTION WAS SECONDED BY COUNCILMAN JOE SAVILLA. VOTE WAS UNANIMOUS FOR THE MOTION TO PASS.

NEWS BUSINESS:

CHILDREN'S THERAPY CLINIC/MOTORCYCLE RIDE/MAY 22, 2010: RECORDER RITA COX MOVED THE CHILDREN'S THERAPY CLINIC BE GIVEN PERMISSION AND A POLICE ESCORT TO HOLD THE ANNUAL CHASE AWAY AUTISM MOTORCYCLE RUN ON MAY 22, 2010 AT 12:30 LEAVING THE MOOSE CLUB. THE MOTION WAS SECONDED BY COUNCILMAN A. A. "JOE" SAVILLA. VOTE WAS UNANIMOUS FOR THE MOTION.

CROSS LANES/NITRO LITTLE LEAGUE COMMUNITY DAY PARADE/MAY 15, 2010 AND HELMET DRIVE/MAY 22, 2010: COUNCILMAN CRAIG MATTHEWS MOVED THE CROSS LANES-NITRO LITTLE LEAGUE HAVE A COMMUNITY DAY PARADE ON MAY 15 AT 10:00 AND A HELMET DRIVE ON MAY 22. THE MOTION WAS SECONDED BY COUNCILMAN A. A. "JOE" SAVILLA. VOTE WAS UNANIMOUS FOR PASSAGE OF THE MOTION. Nitro Policeman

Brian Oxley noted after the motion carried that this constituted a conflict with the Chase Away Autism Motorcycle Run. COUNCILMAN SAVILLA MOVED THAT CROSS LANES-NITRO LITTLE LEAGUE MAKE ARRANGEMENTS WITH THE NITRO POLICE DEPARTMENT TO FIND A SUITABLE DATE. THE MOTION WAS SECONDED BY RECORDER COX AND VOTE WAS UNANIMOUS FOR THE MOTION TO CARRY.

ATTORNEY REPORT: Richie Robb said there would be a meeting of the Annexation Committee following the Council meeting. He introduced attorney David Karr who represents Ben and Molly Summers. The Summers family are attempting to get the city to relinquish the road in front of their home at 227 East Road. They said in 1973 they paved the road and they have sold a portion of property to Kenneth Reed who borders on the property. Their attorney asked if the city has some ownership to it and could it be resolved without a lawsuit. COUNCILMAN SAVILLA MOVED THE SUMMERS QUESTION ABOUT THE STREET OFF EASTER ROAD KNOWN AS KILGORE LANE BE REFERRED TO THE STREET COMMITTEE WITH A SECOND BY COUNCILMAN JAVINS. VOTE WAS UNANIMOUS FOR THE MOTION TO PASS. The Summers and the attorney we told to return to Council on May 18 for further information.

TREASURER REPORT: John Young said the WV Auditors were here to audit 2008-2009. He said the pool was in need of several items, a deep fryer, nacho maker, exhaust fan, approximately \$1300.00 worth of items. COUNCILMAN MATTHEWS MOVED COUNCIL APPROVE EXPENDITURES O \$1300.00 FOR ITEMS FOR THE CONCESSION STAND AT THE NITRO POOL: DEEP FRYER, NACHO MAKER AND EXHAUST FAN. THE MOTION WAS SECONDED BY RECORDER COX. VOTE WAS UNANIMOUS FOR THE MOTION TO CARRY.

COUNCIL COMMENT:

Councilman Matthews said he and Councilman Fields had recently attended a meeting of the Library Board and found out the cost of the audit was going to cost \$4000.00 up from \$3500.00 which was originally stated. He asked if there were some way to reduce the cost since the library operates on a small budget.

Councilman Javins said the Street Committee would meet Monday, May 11 at 6:00 pm to look at streets. He said there were three streets in Ward 4 that have never been paved. He said there had been a resolution to the trash being left at Walker St. at the storage unit.

Recorder Cox thanked the Girl Scouts for their work.

Councilman Fields thanked everyone for Ina Thomas' birthday celebration, particularly Karen Boggess at the library.

Councilman Jim McKay said that WV Spring and Radiator wanted to have a two year lease at \$300.00 per month for parking. COUNCILMAN SAVILLA MOVED THE LEASE WITH WV SPRING AND RADIATOR BE TABLED WITH A SECOND BY COUNCILMAN JAVINS. VOTE WAS UNANIMOUS FOR THE MOTION TO PASS.

PUBLIC COMMENT:

John Montgomery said the Ordinance Committee would meet on Thursday at 7:00.

ADJOURNMENT: COUNCILMAN CRAIG MATTHEWS MOVED THE MEETING BE ADJOURNED WITH A SECOND BY COUNCILMAN BILL JAVINS. VOTE WAS UNANIMOUS FOR THE MOTION.

RUSTY CASTO, MAYOR

RITA COX, RECORDER

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