

NITRO CITY COUNCIL
MEETING MINUTES
TUESDAY, JULY 27, 2010

CALL TO ORDER: Mayor Rusty Casto called the meeting to order at 10:00 am in Council Chambers. In attendance were Mayor Casto, Recorder Rita Cox, Ward 1 Councilman A. A. "Joe" Savilla, Ward 2 Councilman Bill Racer, Ward 3 Councilman Craig Matthews, Ward 4 Councilman Bill Javins, Councilmen at Large Dave Casebolt, Bob Fields, and Jim McKay and City Treasurer John Young.

Mayor Casto opened the meeting by explaining the city has a monetary surplus and therefore budget revisions are necessary and they have to be made prior to August 1. City Treasurer John Young said the amount originally specified was incorrect. He said that the money that has to be allocated are Coal Severance money, \$8721.00, and 25% of that can go to wages; and \$19,531.00. John Young said the amount of \$805,905.00 has been booked to OPEd which he is required to do. Councilman Matthews asked if Council voted to fund OPEd this past year. He said that the Council has struggled to for things when the city had the money all along. Councilman Savilla said some cities do not fund OPEd. He asked if the money should be put in a rainy day fund. John Young said that some of the money should be but that he needs a cash flow for the operation of the city. He recommended a portion of it be put in a fund. Councilman Matthews said he thought Council voted not to fund OPEd.

COUNCILMAN MATTHEWS MOVED COUNCIL GIVE THE \$500.00 RAISE TO THE EMPLOYEES WHO RECEIVED RAISES ON JULY 1. COUNCILMAN SAVILLA SECONDED THE MOTION. Recorder Cox said she thought we should not give the raise until the situation was studied. Councilman Racer asked if we had more roads that needed paved. Recorder Cox said that we do. Councilman Savilla said that we also need to complete the street signs because the old ones need replaced since they are not visible at night. He said that project was not completed. He said that would be a good use of the coal severance money. COUNCILMAN JAVINS MOVED THE \$500.00 RAISE TO THE EMPLOYEES WHO RECEIVED RAISES ON JULY 1 BE TABLED AND STUDIED BY COMMITTEE WITH A SECOND BY COUNCILMAN MATTHEWS. VOTE WAS UNANIMOUS FOR THE MOTION.

COUNCILMAN SAVILLA MOVED THE \$8721.00 COAL SEVERANCE MONEY BE SPENT ON STREET SIGNS WITH A SECOND BY COUNCILMAN MATTHEWS. VOTE WAS UNANIMOUS FOR THE MOTION.

COUNCILMAN SAVILLA MOVED THE \$19,531.00 BE SPENT FOR PAVING AND PATCHING OF STREETS WITH A SECOND BY COUNCILMAN MATTHEWS. VOTE WAS UNANIMOUS FOR THE MOTION.

Mayor Casto announced the next meeting of Council is Tuesday, August at 7:00 pm. The meeting was adjourned.

RUSTY CASTO, MAYOR

RITA COX, RECORDER