

NITRO CITY COUNCIL
MEETING MINUTES
TUESDAY, APRIL 17, 2012

CALL TO ORDER: Mayor Rusty Casto called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm. Attending were 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, City Treasurer John Young and City Attorney Richie Robb.

INVOCATION/PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE: The Invocation was given by Brenda Tyler and the Pledge of Allegiance was led by Luke Miller

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

APPROVAL OF COUNCIL MINUTES: RECORDER RITA COX MOVED THE APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES OF THE APRIL 3, 2012 MEETING OF COUNCIL BE TABLED WITH A SECOND BY COUNCILMAN BOB FIELDS. VOTE WAS UNANIMOUS FOR THE MOTION TO CARRY.

CITIZEN OF THE MONTH: Mayor Casto said the April Citizen of the Month is Luke Miller, Nitro resident and Eagle Scout. He is the son of former Councilman David Miller and Maureen Miller.

NAMING OF NEW GAZEBO: COUNCILMAN CRAIG MATTHEWS MOVED THE NEW GAZEBO AT RIDENOUR PARK BE NAMED FOR HALLIE BROOKE SMITH. THE MOTION WAS SECONDED BY RECORDER RITA COX AND VOTE WAS UNANIMOUS FOR THE MOTION.

COUNCILMAN BILL JAVINS MOVED A COMMITTEE BE FORMED CONSISTING OF RICH HIVELY, CRAIG MATTHEWS AND NANCY HARRISON. THE PURPOSE OF THE COMMITTEE IS TO CHOSE A WAY TO MEMORIALIZE HALLIE BROOKE SMITH AT THE GAZEBO. VOTE WAS UNANIMOUS FOR THE MOTION.

HEART OF APPALACHIA: Mayor Casto introduced Arianna Kincaid. She said there will be four roller derby events in the Nitro Community Center Gym beginning at 7:00 pm, April 28. The other dates are May 19, June 30 and July 28.

OLD BUSINESS

LAY LEVY/LEVY ORDER AND RATE SHEETS/SETTING LEVY FOR FISCAL YEAR 2012-2013: COUNCILMAN A. A. "JOE" SAVILLA MOVED COUNCIL LAY THE LEVY ORDER AND RATE SHEET FOR 2012-2013 BUDGET. THE MOTION WAS SECONDED BY COUNCILMAN BILL JAVINS AND VOTE WAS UNANIMOUS FOR THE MOTION.

CONVENTION AND VISITORS BUREAU REPORT: Kelly Pruettt reported to Council that there are events being planned in the future. She said that she is working on grants for video surveillance equipment at Ridenour Lake. Councilman Bob Fields said the Veteran's Memorial Cemetery in Institute will have a formal dedication soon and he will keep the CVB and Council informed.

STREET PAVING: Councilman Bill Javins said the Paving Committee met on April 5 with A. J. Hill of Public Works. He said among the recommendations they were making, \$10,000.00 to buy gravel at the boat ramp was a priority for parking of extra vehicles. COUNCILMAN BILL JAVINS MOVED \$10,000.00 BE

AUTHORIZED TO PAY FOR GRAVEL AT THE ROBERT C. BYRD BOAT LAUNCH. THE MOTION WAS SECONDED BY COUNCILMAN JIM MCKAY AND VOTE WAS UNANIMOUS FOR THE MOTION. Councilman Javins presented Council with a list of streets recommended for paving by the Paving Committee: circle on Smith Street, Kanawha Avenue South 100 block, Michigan Avenue 500 block, 8th Street from 2nd to 3rd Avenue with milling, 11th Street from 1st Avenue to 2nd Avenue, 35th Street 1st Avenue to 2nd Avenue, Easter Road plus the small strip across the bridge, small section of Lock Street at the three way stop from Main Avenue back to alley, small portion of concrete on hillside drive at turn around, a lot of concrete in Ward Three, on Third Avenue, and in Brookhaven. He said there is a problem on Old County Road with a slip but legal determinations need to be made before anything is done. He said the committee recommends any money left over be put to concrete work and a new street sweeper.

Mayor Casto presented a Resolution to Council requesting Governor Earl Ray Tomblin fund the repaving of 21 Street from the bridge to Ridenour Lake. COUNCILMAN A. A. "JOE" SAVILLA MOVED COUNCIL PASS THE RESOLUTION TO REQUEST PAVING OF 21ST STREET. THE MOTION WAS SECONDED BY COUNCILMAN BILL RACER AND VOTE WAS UNANIMOUS FOR THE MOTION.

ELECTION JUNE 5, 2012: Recorder Rita Cox said the election will be on June 5 with early voting in Nitro City Hall from May 23 to June 2.

NEW BUSINESS

CAPITOL CONSERVATION DISTRICT GRANT PURCHASES: John Young said the city has received \$18,010.50 from the Capitol Conservation District Grants and money spent must be for the upkeep and care of the dam at Ridenour Lake. COUNCILMAN JIM MCKAY MOVED A SNAPPER LAWNMOWER AND A WEEDEATER BE PURCHASE FOR \$7783.92 WITH THE CAPITOL CONSERVATION DISTRICT GRANT. THE MOTION WAS SECONDED BY COUNCILMAN A. A. "JOE" SAVILLA AND VOTE WAS UNANIMOUS FOR THE MOTION. Councilman Craig Matthews said the trees on the spillway need to be removed and would be a good use of the money.

TREASURER REPORT: John Young said the WV Auditor is going to start the following day to conduct the audit on fiscal year 2010-2011. He said the WV P Card program with Nitro was recently audited and we were told that the card must only be used by the person to who it is issued.

ATTORNEY REPORT: Richie Robb said the report on the police funds will be ready probably at the second meeting in April. He has scheduled a meeting at the WV Auditors office soon to discuss some questions.

COUNCIL COMMENT: Councilman Matthews said the 5k run held recently was a big success and possibly the longest 5k on record. COUNCILMAN CRAIG MATTHEWS MOVED MARK JARRETT BE APPROVED FOR A WV P CARD FOR PURCHASES MADE RELATING TO THE POOL AND PARKS AND RECREATION WITH A SECOND BY RECORDER RITA COX. VOTE WAS UNANIMOUS FOR THE MOTION.

Councilman Savilla said the boat launch is in great shape and he is glad that it is finally in use. He said that there will be a brief Annexation Committee meeting following Council.

Recorder Cox said the 5k Race was a fun time and the boat launch is a great asset for the city.

Councilman Fields said he thought the 5k Race was a big success and appreciated all the workers from the VFW Post.

Councilman Casebolt said the Streetscape on Bank Street has come together well and looks very good.

COUNCILMAN MCKAY MOVED THE MINUTES OF THE APRIL 10 MEETING OF THE NDA BE MADE A PART OF THE MINUTES OF COUNCIL WITH A SECOND BY COUNCILMAN JAVINS. VOTE WAS UNANIMOUS FOR THE MOTION.

COUNCILMAN MCKAY MOVED RICH HIVELY BE MADE A THREE YEAR MEMBER OF THE NDA BOARD OF DIRECTORS WITH A SECOND BY COUNCILMAN CASEBOLT. VOTE WAS UNANIMOUS FOR THE MOTION.

PUBLIC COMMENT: Bob Schamber said the he thought the new gazebo was a great addition. He said the Senior Center will be audited. The Seniors had an indoor yard sale to raise money.

Ron King said the address of the boat launch is 139 Main Avenue.

Hershel Facemyre said he would like the paving to be completed on Bank Street.

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

RUSTY CASTO, MAYOR

RITA COX, RECORDER