

NITRO CITY COUNCIL
MINUTES
TUESDAY, JUNE 19, 2012

CALL TO ORDER: Mayor Rusty Casto called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm in Council Chambers. Attending with Mayor Casto were Recorder Rita Cox, Ward 3 Councilman Craig Matthews, Ward 4 Councilman Bill Javins, Councilmen at Large Dave Casebolt, Jim McKay and Bob Fields, and City Treasurer John Young. Absent were Ward 1 Councilman A. A. "Joe" Savilla, Ward 2 Councilman Bill Racer and City Attorney Richie Robb.

INVOCATION/PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE: The Invocation was given by Terry VanFossen and the Pledge of Allegiance was led by Councilman Jim McKay.

FUTURE DATES OF COUNCIL: Mayor Casto said the new members of Council will be given the Oath of Office on July 1 at 10:00 am and the next meetings of council are July 3 and July 17.

APPROVAL OF COUNCIL MINUTES: RECORDER RITA COX MOVED THE MINUTES OF THE JUNE 7, 2012 MEETING BE APPROVED AND THE MOTION WAS SECONDED BY COUNCILMAN BOB FIELDS. VOTE WAS UNANIMOUS FOR THE MOTION.

CERTIFICATION OF 2012 NITRO MUNICIPAL ELECTION: Recorder Rita Cox said that members of Council met on June 11 at 9:00 am at the Kanawha County Voters Registration office to sit as a Board Of Canvass to certify the election of June 5. RECORDER RITA COX MOVED THE RESULTS OF THE JUNE 5 ELECTION AND CANVASS OF JUNE 11 BE ACCEPTED AND CERTIFIED. THE MOTION WAS SECONDED BY COUNCILMAN JIM MCKAY AND VOTE WAS UNANIMOUS FOR THE MOTION TO CARRY.

CITIZEN OF THE MONTH: Mayor Rusty Casto yielded the floor to Councilman Bob Fields who introduced Agnes Smith as June Citizen of the Month. Agnes had been a "Rosie the Riveter" during World War II working in the war effort. She returned to Nitro and has been an active citizen since. Mayor Casto said his first Citizen of the Month was July, 1980 and this time was his last.

OLD BUSINESS

BID OPENING FOR DEMOLITION: Recorder Cox distributed the bids to be opened. The bids were for demolishing houses at 1011 10th Street and 1106 11th Street: Empire Salvage bid \$30,000 and Brothers Construction bid \$28,713. RECORDER COX MOVED A COMMITTEE BE FORMED OF MAYOR CASTO, RON KING AND RECORDER COX TO CONSIDER THE BIDS AND REPORT TO COUNCIL. THE MOTION WAS SECONDED BY COUNCILMAN MCKAY AND VOTE WAS UNANIMOUS FOR THE MOTION.

BID OPENING FOR PAVING: Recorder Cox distributed the bids to be opened. Councilman Javins read the bids as follows: WV Paving - \$195,199; Black Top Industry - \$267,762; Paving and Resurfacing - \$290,246. COUNCILMAN MATTHEWS MOVED THE BIDS BE REFERRED TO THE PAVING COMMITTEE WHO WILL REPORT TO COUNCIL. THE MOTION WAS SECONDED BY COUNCILMAN MCKAY AND VOTE WAS UNANIMOUS FOR THE MOTION.

NEW BUSINESS

ATTORNEY REPORT: Richie Robb was not present.

TREASURER REPORT: John Young said Richie Robb had presented a bill for \$4600 for working on the Police Funds Report. COUNCILMAN JIM MCKAY MOVED RICHIE ROBB BE PAID \$4600 FOR WORKING ON THE REPORT CONCERNING THE \$58,000 OF MONEY SPENT FROM THE POLICE ACCOUNTS. THE MOTION WAS SECONDED BY COUNCILMAN BILL JAVINS. VOTING FOR THE MOTION WAS RECORDER COX, COUNCILMEN JAVINS, MATTHEWS, MCKAY AND CASEBOLT. VOTING AGAINST THE MOTION WAS COUNCILMAN FIELDS. THE MOTION CARRIED.

RECORDER RITA COX MOVED THE \$10,000 FOR GRAVEL FOR THE OVERFLOW PARKING AT THE BOAT LAUNCH BE PAID FROM THE HOTEL/MOTEL TAX. THE MOTION WAS SECONDED BY COUNCILMAN BILL JAVINS AND VOTE WAS UNANIMOUS FOR THE MOTION.

COUNCILMAN JIM MCKAY MOVED \$1050 BE USED TO PURCHASE A NEW SERVER FOR ACCOUNTS PAYABLE WITH A SECOND BY COUNCILMAN BILL JAVINS. VOTE WAS UNANIMOUS FOR THE MOTION.

MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING WITH NITRO FIRE DEPARTMENT: COUNCILMAN CRAIG MATTHEWS MOVED THE MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING WITH THE NITRO FIRE DEPARTMENT BE ACCEPTED AS WRITTEN. THE MOTION WAS SECONDED BY COUNCILMAN BOB FIELDS. Councilman McKay said he thought it should be returned to be signed. He asked if this applied to union members only and Councilman Matthews said it applied to all firemen.

COUNCIL COMMENT:

Councilman Bill Javins said the culvert will be installed at the boat launch in the area that is to be used for overflow parking. He thanked A. J. Hill for the work his department is doing at the launch.

Councilman Craig Matthews said that Larry Kalmerten has resigned his position on the Fire Department Commission and a new appoint can be made by the Nitro Chamber of Commerce. He said that A. J. Shinn is being promoted to the rank of captain pending the outcome of his physical examination. He said there is to be a Parks and Recreation Committee meeting at 9:00 am on June 20 at shelter 4 at Ridenour Lake. COUNCILMAN MATTHEWS MOVED THE ANNUAL ST.FRANCIS HOSPITAL EMPLOYEE PARTY REQUEST BE MOVED TO PARKS AND RECREATION COMMITTEE TO DETERMINE THE COST WITH A SECOND BY COUNCILMAN MCKAY. VOTE WAS UNANIMOUS FOR THE MOTION.

Councilman Bob Fields said he had enjoyed his time on Council and would miss everyone.

COUNCILMAN MCKAY MOVED THE MINUTES OF THE MAY 8 MEETING OF THE NDA AND FINANCIAL INFORMATION BE MADE A PART OF THE MINUTES WITH A SECOND BY COUNCILMAN JAVINS. VOTE WAS UNANIMOUS FOR THE MOTION.

COUNCILMAN MCKAY MOVED DOUG SKAFF BE APPROVED AS AN APPOINTMENT TO THE NDA WITH A SECOND BY COUNCILMAN FIELDS. VOTE WAS UNANIMOUS FOR THE MOTION.

He said that he had liked serving on Council and said he planned to remain active in city activities.

Mayor Casto said he will pass the gavel off to Mayor Elect Casebolt and he thanked everyone for letting him be mayor for 16 years.

ADJOURNMENT: COUNCILMAN JIM MCKAY MOVED THE MEETING BE ADJOURNED WITH A SECOND BY COUNCILMAN BOB FIELDS. THE MOTION CARRIED WITH A UNANIMOUS VOTE.

RUSTY CASTO, MAYOR

RITA COX, RECORDER