

COMMON COUNCIL MEETING

March 3, 2003

TIME: 6:00 P.M.

Present: Mayor Gary Bailey, Ed Dwenger, Helen Gardner, David Leas and Herb Hunter. Bruce Tressler was absent.

Minutes were approved.

Employee Richard Cooper came to talk to Council concerning his health insurance problem.

Motion by David Leas and seconded by Ed Dwenger to pass on third reading Ordinance 2003-1. So passed.

Moffett Water Care are asking for a rezoning of R-2 to B-1. Plan Commission had passed this request. David Leas stated that at the Plan Commission, there were residents in opposition of this rezoning and that he voted nay then and would again vote nay.

Motion by Herb Hunter and seconded by Ed Dwenger to pass on 1st reading Ordinance 2003-5 Rezoning Moffett Water Care. David Leas nay. Ed Dwenger, Herb Hunter and Helen Gardner ayes. So passed.

Motion by Ed Dwenger and seconded by David Leas to pass on 1st reading Ordinance 2003-6 Rezoning McCammett's Property from R-2 to 1-1. So passed.

Motion by Ed Dwenger and seconded by Herb Hunter to approve tax abatement renewals for: Harpring, K-Fab Investments, O'Mara, Mclean Screen Printing and Baytowne Investments. So passed.

The issue of the parking lot the Downtown Development is wanting to purchase with the City's help was discussed. The mayor stated two appraisals were done, Colson and Frank McDonald. One was \$48,000 and one was \$50,000. City Attorney Frank I. Hamilton, Jr. stated that if the Council is willing to go with this then Council needs to pass a resolution and give the Mayor the authority to negotiate with this group and get every detail on paper.

Get an agreement among the merchants with detail. Two merchants had stated they would pay \$7,500 together, downtown development \$7,500 and the cost of the appraisals and Doug Lewis had stated \$5,000 and take out the posts. The issue of keeping it open to the public.

They are to get all commitments from the merchants and get them to City Attorney Frank I. Hamilton, Jr. and he will prepare the necessary papers for signing.

Herb Hunter gave the update on the Board of Works meeting.

Herb Hunter would like to get the documentation on the chair lift in city hall and present this to the Department of Justice and if we need to meet elsewhere, suggest we meet at the Library. Mayor is to check to see if the Library would be available.

David Leas expressed his thanks to the police department for allowing the use of their conference room for the meetings of the city.

Mayor stated that Insight would have a demo of their products next month at 5:00 P.M. before the regular council meeting.

The airport is asking for additional funding for maintenance on the asphalt surfaces.

Mayor gave council some ideas they have for the marketing of Greensburg.

Skate Board Park issue, the commission for this has been started by the Park Board and are applying for a grant and they are looking at the site for this to be out by the Park Area where the ball fields are.

The city is short one policeman and one fireman. The fire department has four applicants. New dispatcher Joshua Cooper starts March 10th to take Matt Cleland's place.

Meeting adjourned at 6:55 P.M.

Minutes prepared and presented by: **L. June Ryle, Clerk-Treasurer, City of Greensburg**