

Agenda *Williamstown City Council*

03/06/18

7:30 PM

City Council Chambers

Type of meeting: *Regular Meeting*

Attendees: *Mayor and City Council Members, City Attorney, and City Clerk*

Agenda topics

- 1. Call Meeting to Order*
- 2. Pledge of Allegiance*
- 3. Call Roll*
- 4. Minutes of Previous Meeting*
- 5. Pay Bills*
- 6. Mike Fling, Wood County BOE to Discuss Streets and New School*
- 7. Mowing Contract Extension*
- 8. Board of Zoning Appeals Vacancy*

Other Items Which May Be Discussed:

- 1. Administrative Issues*
- 2. Community Swimming Pool*
- 3. Park Committee*
- 4. Planning Commission*
- 5. Board of Zoning Appeals*
- 6. Tree Committee*
- 7. Water Dept.*
- 8. Sanitary / Storm Water Board*
- 9. Sidewalk Plan*

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WILLIAMSTOWN CITY COUNCIL
REGULAR MEETING
MARCH 6, 2018

The Williamstown City Council met in regular session on Tuesday, March 6, 2018 at 7:30pm. Those in attendance were Councilpersons Marty Seufer, Jim Stage, Barbara Lewis and Ron Erb, City Attorney Blaine Myers, and City Clerk/Treasurer Susan Knopp. Mayor Jean Ford was absent.

Councilman Seufer called the meeting to order and Sgt. at Arms Jeremy Raymond led Council in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Councilman Seufer stated Mayor Ford was just getting over the flu.

On a motion by Stage and second by Lewis to approve and dispense with the reading of the minutes of the previous meeting, all voted yes.

On a motion by Erb and second by Lewis to approve the current bills for payment, all voted yes.

Wood County Schools Assistant Superintendent Mike Fling addressed Council about the new elementary school, which will be built on the Fenton factory site. He presented Council with a drawing of the school, showing the need for street closures on Caroline Ave. and Elizabeth Street. Mr. Fling stated they were utilizing the existing streets as drop off locations so there would be as little disruption to the traffic flow in the area as possible.

After some discussion, Councilman Seufer asked if Henderson Ave. would need to be widened.

Mr. Fling stated he needed to meet with the DOH, but he didn't think widening Henderson would be needed.

Councilman Stage stated there may be a problem with an existing business's truck traffic. There was some discussion.

Atty. Myers stated the street closures would need to be done by ordinance.

The bid opening for the construction contract for the school is March 13th.

Councilman Seufer asked Mr. Fling about plans for the old school.

Mr. Fling stated that the BOE has long thought the City was interested in the school.

Councilman Seufer asked if this is something the City should speak with the BOE about.

Mr. Fling stated yes. He added there are spaces that the City could utilize in the newer parts of the building, but the BOE currently doesn't have the funds for the demo of the old school.

Atty. Myers said he would need a plat and notations on what parts of the street need closed.

Mr. Fling said the BOE has a recent survey.

On a motion by Stage and second by Lewis to direct the City Attorney to draft an ordinance for the street closures necessary to build the new elementary school for the next council meeting, all voted yes.

Mr. Fling thanked the City for its tremendous gift for the new school playground.

On a motion by Stage and second by Lewis to grant Lawncrafters a two year contract extension for the City mowing/lawn care, all voted yes.

On a motion by Stage and second by Erb to announce a vacancy on the Board of Zoning Appeals, all voted yes.

Councilman Seufer stated Williamstown needs to consider if we want to enter into the opioid lawsuit. He said this is not a cash grab, but a way to re-coup some expenses, such as salaries for our drug enforcement officer. It doesn't cost anything to join.

Councilman Seufer stated the Park Committee is starting to clean up Armstrong Garden.

Councilman Stage stated the water department had a large water leak on Caroline that has been repaired.

Councilman Erb stated the Sanitary Board met Monday. He said the Board discussed the Mondo development's new street names. He said there is a problem with storm water runoff on Crystal Heights. The City Engineer looked at the area. Erb said the problem is part of it is not in city limits and there are no rights of way. He said the Board will need to decide if they want to get rights of way for the area.

Councilman Seufer said the Sanitary Board/Storm Water Board will make a recommendation to Council on this issue.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:00pm.