

FINDLAY CITY COUNCIL MINUTES

REGULAR SESSION

NOVEMBER 17, 2009

COUNCIL CHAMBERS

PRESENT: Collette, Monday, Seng, J. Slough, M. Slough, Urbanski, VanDyne

ABSENT: Schedel, Ward

MINUTES:

1. Ms. Seng moved to accept the minutes, as circulated, of the Public Hearing of November 3, 2009 at 7:20pm for 123 Cherry Street rezone (lot 963) from C-Residential to B3-Central Business regarding Ordinance No. 2009-099. Mr. J Slough seconded the motion. Motion carried. Filed.
2. Mr. J Slough moved to accept the minutes, as circulated, of the Public Hearing of November 3, 2009 at 7:25pm for 701 North Main Street (Washington School) rezone (lot 2304, 2305, 2338, 2339) from C-Residential to B2-General Business regarding Ordinance No. 2009-098. Mr. Collette seconded the motion. Motion carried. Filed.
3. Mr. J Slough moved to accept the minutes, as circulated, of the November 3, 2009 Council Meeting. Mr. Collette seconded the motion. Motion carried. Filed.

ADD-ONS: Mr. J Slough moved to add the following items to the agenda. Ms. Seng seconded the motion. Motion carried.

(place after letter from City Engineer Brian Hurt – water and sewer rates in the REPORTS OF MUNICIPAL OFFICERS AND MUNICIPAL DEPARTMENT section):

1. Letter from Service Director Bruce Hardy asking for a transfer of funds for the balance of the grant from the Hancock Park District.

(place after item 1 above):

2. Letter from Service Director Bruce Hardy stating the University of Findlay will be permanently be closing their ice arena by the end of April 2010 and sell everything. The City is interested in purchasing some of their equipment to maintain its ice operation at The CUBE.

(place after item 2 above):

3. Letter from Fire Chief Thomas Lonyo regarding a Long Term Operations and Planning Committee.

WRITTEN COMMUNICATIONS:

None.

ORAL COMMUNICATIONS:

None.

PETITIONS:

Petition for Zoning amendment – Peterman Associates, Inc., Lot 5856 and part alley of Howard Addition, Lot 17422 B 17.2' and Lot 17423-4 of Snyder W E Subdivision

Peterman Associates, Inc. has requested a zoning change for the University of Findlay from C-Residential to University District for Lot 5856 & part alley of Howard Addition, and from B2-General Business to University District for Lot 17422 north 17.2 feet and Lot 17423-4 of Snyder W E Subdivision. Referred to City Planning Commission and Planning & Zoning Committee. Filed.

REPORTS OF MUNICIPAL OFFICERS AND MUNICIPAL DEPARTMENT:

Budget Summary of Year-To-Date Information as of October 31, 2009. Filed.

Tabled from 11/3/09 City Council meeting:

Director, Hancock County Office of Economic Development Aggie Dahar – CDBG Economic Development Program Application

The City of Findlay would like to apply to the State of Ohio's Department of Development for assistance through the Small Cities Community Development Block Grant Economic Development Program which funds to Cities who in turn loan those monies out to companies who are in need of financial assistance. Monies are then paid back to the Revolving Loan Fund to be used for future projects. Monies are to assist Arby's Tiffin to purchase land, build a commercial building and purchase the necessary furniture, fixtures and equipment for the operations of an Arby's Fast Food Restaurant on Tiffin Avenue in Findlay. Resolution 065-2009 created.

Discussion:

Mr. J Slough asked

Filed.

Time Warner Cable – quarterly franchise fee payment for period ending September 30, 2009.

Mayor Pete Sehnert – Official notice of grant from Ohio Office of Criminal Justice Services (OCJS)

The City of Findlay was notified in late August by the Ohio Office of Criminal Justice Services (OCJS) of the pre-award recommendation for the Recovery Act funding to retain police officer positions through the Edward Byrne Justice Assistance Grant (JAG) program which had several conditions that needed to be met and submitted back to OCJS in order to receive the grant award. The City of Findlay has received official notice of the grant award in the amount of \$940,510.43. This amount will need to be appropriated to retain thirteen (13) Police Officer positions retroactive from July 31, 2009 until December 31, 2010. This grant requires the City's match of \$313,503.48 which funds will need to be transferred. An appropriation ordinance and transfer of funds resolution are requested.

Appropriation request:

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| From: ARRA OCJS Byrne-JAG Grant | \$ 940,510.43 | |
| To: ARRA-JAG (Police Retention Grant) #31993100 | | \$ 40,510.43 |

Ordinance 2009-108 created. Filed.

Transfer of funds request:

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| From: Police Department #21012000-personal services | \$ 313,503.48 | |
| To: ARRA-JAG (Police Retention Grant) #31993100 | | \$ 13,503.48 |

Resolution 069-2009 created. Filed.

Mayor Pete Sehnert – Approved Amendments to Articles III, IV, V, and VI of the Income Tax Rules & Regulations Recommended change to Section 6 of the Income Tax Ordinance

Amendments to Articles III, IV, V, and VI of the Income Tax Rules and Regulations were approved by the Income Tax Board and a change to Section 6 of the Income Tax Ordinance was recommended during the November 4, 2009 meeting. This recommendation to Section 6 requires an act of Council. The amendments to Articles III, IV, V, and VI in the Rules and Regulations will be considered approved if Council takes no action by January 11, 2010, which is sixty (60) days after the proposed amendments were delivered to the Acting Clerk of Council. Resolution 070-2009 and Ordinance 2009-109 have been created for passage by City Council to be effective January 1, 2010. Resolution No. 070-2009 and Ordinance 2009-109 created. Filed.

Director, Hancock County Office of Economic Development Aggie Dahar – RLF Appropriation

The City of Findlay Revolving Loan Fund was awarded a \$13,500 loan to an existing business operating at 303 East Sandusky Street in Findlay known as Signed by Josette to assist in expanding their customer base and maintaining a competitive edge while increasing the bottom line margin.

From: City of Findlay Revolving Loan Fund \$ 13,500.00
To: Signed by Josette RLF #31994400 \$ 13,500.00

Discussion:

Mr. J Slough asked if funds are going for marketing because in the letter just read, it refers to expanding the customer base and maintain a competitive edge. Ms. Dahar replied that the RLF money is not allowed to be used for working capital, which in this case is marketing. It has to be used towards asset purchasing. In this case, the owner is going to purchase a large piece of equipment that will allow the business to produce signs up to five and one half feet (5 ½') in length. Currently, that is about one third (1/3) of the business of which has to be outsourced. This will allow the business to do the banners in-house which will save the business a considerable amount of outsourcing dollars for labor. Mr. Collette asked what type of security is there on these types of Revolving Loan Funds (RLFs). Ms. Dahar replied that it depends on what they are using. In this case, we will take the collateral first position on the piece of equipment and on each individual that has over twenty percent (20%) ownership in the business sign personally. If they have a home, we'll take second or third position on their home. If they have a commercial building, we may take that route, but we always look for additional forms of collateral. Mr. VanDyne commented that Ms. Dahar may want to mention who is on the Board so that they can answer questions. Ms. Dahar mentioned that they have National City Bank, Citizens Bank, First Federal Bank that are represented, as well as Councilman VanDyne. They also have representation from various CPA firms, and some business individuals that also participate, one of those being from Tall Timbers. The committee does its due diligence to make sure we receive personal guarantees for our loan in that everything is collateralized.
Ordinance No. 2009-108 created. Filed.

City Engineer Brian Hurt – 2009 Sewer Lining, Project No. 35690400

This project is included in the 2009 Capital Improvements Plan. The funding sources are the Sewer Fund and American Recovery and Reinvestment Act (ARRA) Principal Forgiveness from the Ohio EPA. Preliminary approval has been received and final paperwork is in progress. Legislation is requested to appropriate the following:

From: Sewer Fund \$ 300,000.00
OEPA/OWDA (ARRA Principal Forgiveness) \$ 300,000.00
To: 2009 Sewer Lining #35690400 \$ 600,000.00

Ordinance 2009-108 created.

Discussion:

Mr. Schuck asked for a definition for what principal forgiveness means. Mr. Hurt explained that the Ohio EPA normally gives out loans. In this case we will be given a \$300,000 loan in which \$300,000 of the principal will be forgiven by federal stimulus dollars. Mr. Schuck asked if it is like a grant. Mr. Hurt replied that it is. Most cases with revenue funds such as water and sewer, you might take a \$million loan and then through the stimulus dollars that have been given, \$300,000 may be considered principal forgiveness, making the loan start at \$700,000 rather than \$1 million. In this case, we did not have to take additional funding or loans. Filed.

City Engineer Brian Hurt – letter from Engineering Project Manager Todd Jenkins (Peterman Associates, Inc.) regarding the sanitary sewer extension for 12560 Distribution Drive

The preliminary alignment for the sanitary sewer at 12560 Distribution Drive and the property to the north is being revised to follow Howard Run north to TR 99 and then extend west along TR 99 to Distribution Drive. Howard Run's sanitary sewer will be a 24-inch diameter sewer, and Distribution Drive and the ground to the north will be a 12-inch diameter sewer. Peterman Associates, Inc. is requesting the City to contribute to the cost of oversizing this section of sanitary sewer. Referred to Water & Sewer Committee. Filed.

City Auditor Robert Cole Sprague – HRPC Invoice – October 2009

An invoice for the expenses/staff time for the Revolving Loan Fund has been submitted. Mr. Sprague requests legislation to authorize a draw as follows:

From: Revolving Loan Fund \$4,420.22
To: General Expense #21010000-449400 \$4,420.22

Ordinance 2009-108 created. Filed.

Engineer Meghan Clement – Request to vacate alleys

Requesting the first east-west alley south of Hobart Avenue running west starting at Chapel Drive until it dead ends into the Cascade Heights Subdivision and the north-south alley between McManness Avenue and Carnahan Avenue that is bordered on the north and south by Balsley Avenue and McConnell Street to be vacated and split the property between the adjoining property owners. Referred to the Planning and Zoning Committee and City Planning Commission. Filed.

City Engineer Brian Hurt – water and sewer rates

The study for water and sewer rates is almost complete. Request to discuss the findings of the study and the forecast of the Water and Sewer Funds with the Water and Sewer Committee. December 3, 2009 would be the preferred meeting date in order to give the Water and Sewer Departments time to adjust their operating budget before the December 14, 2009 budget hearings. Referred to the Water and Sewer Committee. Filed.

Service Director Bruce Hardy – transfer of funds request

Hancock Park District Community Parks Grant Program granted \$24,000 to the City of Findlay for improvements to Shelterhouse 15 at Riverside Park. This project has been completed and has \$3,116.15 remaining in unspent grant money. The City’s next Community Parks Grant Project is renovating the old restroom facility at Riverside Park. This project is scheduled to begin in 2010 and may need the additional unspent grant funds to complete. A transfer of funds is requested.

From: Shelterhouse 15 Project #31965300 \$ 3,116.15
To: Riverside Restroom Upgrade Project #31993200 \$ 3,116.15

Mr. J Slough requested legislation be created. Seconded by Mr. M. Slough.
Letter filed. No action taken today. Legislation will be given at the 12/1/09 City Council meeting.

Service Director Bruce Hardy – purchase of items from University of Findlay ice arena

The University of Findlay will permanently be closing their ice area by early April 2010 and selling various equipment, in which the City is interested in purchasing in order to maintain its ice operation at The CUBE. Letter referred to the Appropriations Committee. Filed.

Fire Chief Thomas Lonyo – Long Term Operations and Planning Committee

Due to the recent passage of the one quarter percentage tax increase, eighteen (18) Firefighter positions were retained and Findlay Fire Station #4 will remain open. In order to increase efficiencies in general fund expenditures, a Long Term Operations and Planning Committee is being formed. It is requested to allow Councilman Randy VanDyne to participate on this committee. Filed.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

APPROPRIATIONS COMMITTEE to whom was referred a request to appropriate \$3,607 from the General Fund (sale of cruisers revenue), \$450 to Police Department (21012000) personal services (outwear), \$3,157 to Police Department (21012000) other so that winter coats, a heat gun, a boosting transformer box for the alarm system at VNU, and 16 new shotguns to replace the ones purchased in 1993 may be purchased from funds received from the sale of 2 old Police cruisers sold on GovDeals.com.

From: General Fund (sale of cruisers revenue) \$ 3,607.00
To: Police Department #2 1012000-personal services \$ 450.00
Police Department #2 1012000-other \$ 3,157.00

We recommend appropriation of the \$3,607.00 from the General Fund as requested. Mr. VanDyne moved to accept the committee report, seconded by Mr. Urbanski. Filed.

APPROPRIATIONS COMMITTEE to whom was referred a request to appropriate \$10,662.79 from the Water Fund and \$6,546.95 from the Sewer Fund to Utility Billing #25072000-other for the refund to Cooper Corporation.

From: Water Fund \$ 10,662.79
Sewer Fund \$ 6,546.95
To: Utility Billing #25072000-other \$ 17,209.74

We recommend approval of the above appropriation request. Mr. J Slough moved to accept the committee report, seconded by Mr. VanDyne. Filed.

APPROPRIATIONS COMMITTEE to whom was referred a request to appropriate a donation from Hancock Soccer Association in the amount of \$1,700 from the General Fund to Parks Department #21034000-other to purchase grass seed for use at Emory Adams Park.

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| From: | General Fund (<i>Hancock Soccer donation</i>) | \$ 1,700.00 | |
| To: | Parks Department #21034000-other | | \$ 1,700.00 |

We recommend acceptance of the above appropriation. Mr. VanDyne moved to accept the committee report, seconded by Mr. J Slough. Filed.

APPROPRIATIONS COMMITTEE to whom was referred a request to discuss the process for changes in the Bureau of Worker's Compensation (BWC) for 2010. The North Central Municipal Finance Officers Association Group changes have made the group uneconomical to be a member of which cause the disbanding of this group.

We recommend the administration present a cost savings plan to the current BWC being used currently for the 2010 year and to contract for services to oversee any Workman Compensation claims. Mr. J Slough moved to accept the committee report, seconded by Mr. VanDyne. Filed.

LEGISLATION:

RESOLUTIONS:

RESOLUTION NO. 068-2009 First reading Adopted

A RESOLUTION APPROVING THE EXPENDITURES MADE BY THE AUDITORS OFFICE ON THE ATTACHED LIST OF VOUCHERS WHICH EITHER EXCEED THE PURCHASE ORDER OR WERE INCURRED WITHOUT A PURCHASE ORDER EXCEEDING THE STATUTORY LIMIT OF THREE THOUSAND DOLLARS (\$3000.00) ALL IN ACCORDANCE WITH OHIO REVISED CODE 5705.41(D).

Mr. J Slough moved to suspend the statutory rules and give this Resolution its second and third readings, seconded by Mr. Urbanski. Ayes: Collette, Monday, Seng, J. Slough, M. Slough, Urbanski, VanDyne.

RESOLUTION NO. 069-2009 First reading Adopted

A RESOLUTION TRANSFERRING FUNDS WITHIN APPROPRIATED FUNDS AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

Mr. Collette moved to suspend the statutory rules and give this Resolution its second and third readings, seconded by Mr. VanDyne. Ayes: Monday, Seng, J. Slough, M. Slough, Urbanski, VanDyne, Collette.

The Resolution received the second and third reading. Mr. J Slough moved to adopt the Resolution, seconded by Mr. Collette. Ayes: Seng, J. Slough, M. Slough, Urbanski, VanDyne, Collette, Monday. The Resolution was declared adopted and is recorded in Resolution Volume XXXII, and is hereby made a part of the record.

RESOLUTION NO. 070-2009 First reading

A RESOLUTION AMENDING ARTICLES III, IV, V, and VI OF THE INCOME TAX RULES AND REGULATIONS APPROVED BY THE INCOME TAX BOARD.

First reading of the Ordinance.

Discussion:

Mr. Collette commented that the sunset provision in this Resolution and asked if that means it is not renewed, would we have to amend it again on December 31, 2012 to bring it back down to the one percent (1%). Mr. Hackenberg replied that he is correct, but the sunset provision is in the Ordinance that was approved by the voters. This is just the operating in the City Income Tax Department.

ORDINANCES:

ORDINANCE NO. 2009-106

Second reading

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 1351 ET SEQ OF THE CODIFIED ORDINANCES OF THE CITY OF FINDLAY, OHIO.

Second reading of the Ordinance.

ORDINANCE NO. 2009-108

First reading

Adopted

AN ORDINANCE APPROPRIATING FUNDS AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

Mr. Urbanski moved to suspend the Statutory Rules and give the Ordinance the second and third reading. Mr. J Slough seconded the motion. Ayes: J. Slough, M. Slough, Urbanski, VanDyne, Collette, Monday, Seng.

The Ordinance received the second and third reading. Mr. J Slough moved to adopt the Ordinance, seconded by Mr. Collette. Ayes: M. Slough, Urbanski, VanDyne, Collette, Monday, Seng, J Slough. The Ordinance was declared adopted and is recorded in Ordinance Volume TT, Page 2009-108, and is hereby made a part of the record.

ORDINANCE NO. 2009-109

First reading

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 193.06 OF THE CODIFIED ORDINANCES OF THE CITY OF FINDLAY, OHIO.

First reading of the Ordinance.

ORDINANCE NO. 2009-110

First reading

Adopted

AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR OF THE CITY OF FINDLAY, OHIO TO ENROLL THE CITY OF FINDLAY EITHER IN THE BUREAU OF WORKER'S COMPENSATION (BWC) INDIVIDUAL RETROSPECTIVE RATING PLAN OR ITS GROUP RETROSPECTIVE RATING PLAN, AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

Mr. Collette moved to suspend the Statutory Rules and give the Ordinance the second and third reading. Mr. VanDyne seconded the motion. Ayes: Urbanski, VanDyne, Collette, Monday, Seng, J. Slough, M. Slough.

The Ordinance received the second and third reading. Mr. Collette moved to adopt the Ordinance, seconded by Mr. Urbanski. Ayes: VanDyne, Collette, Monday, Seng, J. Sough, M. Slough, Urbanski. The Ordinance was declared adopted and is recorded in Ordinance Volume TT, Page 2009-110, and is hereby made a part of the record.

ORDINANCE 2009-111

First reading

Adopted

AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR OF THE CITY OF FINDLAY, OHIO, HANCOCK COUNTY, STATE OF OHIO TO ENTER INTO AN AGREEMENT WITH COMP MANAGEMENT, INC. FOR THE COMING YEAR TO PROVIDE THE CITY WITH BUREAU OF WORKER'S COMPENSATION MANAGEMENT SERVICES, AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

Mr. Collette moved to suspend the Statutory Rules and give the Ordinance the second and third reading. Mr. VanDyne seconded the motion. Ayes: VanDyne, Collette, Monday, Seng, J. Slough, M. Slough, Urbanski.

The Ordinance received the second and third reading. Mr. Collette moved to adopt the Ordinance, seconded by Mr. VanDyne.

Discussion:

Mr. Urbanski commented that he has worked with Comp Management and they are a good company. Mr. Urbanski then asked if other organizations were looked into before making a decision on Comp Management. Mr. Hardy referred the question to the City Auditor Robert Sprague. Mr. Sprague replied that other Comp Management services were looked into and were sent other offers from other Comp Management services for 2010 to enroll the City in other various plans. This turned out to be the best deal. For \$4,100 they will do a large amount of work for the City. They will represent the City, look through the claims, adjust claims for the City through their medical schedule of fees that they have worked on with local physicians, etc.

Ayes: VanDyne, Collette, Monday, Seng, J. Sough, M. Slough, Urbanski. The Ordinance was declared adopted and is recorded in Ordinance Volume TT, Page 2009-111, and is hereby made a part of the record.

ORDINANCE 2009-112

First reading

Adopted

AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE WAIVING OF FORMAL ADVERTISING AND BIDDING REQUIREMENTS FOR SECURING A PROVIDER TO ADMINISTER THE FITNESS STIPEND TESTING, AND AUTHORIZING THE DIRECTORS OF PUBLIC SERVICE AND PUBLIC SAFETY TO MAKE A REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS (RFP'S) TO KNOWN LOCAL PROVIDERS IN HANCOCK COUNTY WHO CAN PERFORM THIS SERVICE, AND DECLARING A REAL AND PRESENT EMERGENCY.

Mr. Collette moved to suspend the Statutory Rules and give the Ordinance the second and third reading. Ms. Seng seconded the motion. Ayes: Collette, Monday, Seng, J. Slough, M. Slough, Urbanski, VanDyne.

The Ordinance received the second and third reading. Mr. Collette moved to adopt the Ordinance, seconded by Mr. VanDyne.

Discussion:

Mr. Collette asked what Real and Present Emergency means. Mr. Hackenberg replied that the language was taken out of the statute. Mr. M Slough mentioned that this was implemented as a physical requirement to help save money for medical issues. He then asked how much testing will cost. Mr. Barker replied that RFPs were requested to get some competitive pricing. We currently use a local source for Fire Department for physicals, but we want to get some competitive bids because there are two (2), possibly three (3) providers in Findlay that can offer this service. Mr. M Slough asked how much it is anticipated to cost. Mr. Sprague replied that they will know more once the RFPs come in. He estimates between \$100 to \$150 per person per year for testing.

Ayes: Monday, Seng, J. Sough, M. Slough, Urbanski, VanDyne, Collette. The Ordinance was declared adopted and is recorded in Ordinance Volume TT, Page 2009-112, and is hereby made a part of the record.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

Old Business

Tabled from 11/3/09 meeting. Mr. VanDyne moved to lift this Resolution off the table. Seconded by Mr. J. Slough. Aye: Seng, J. Sough, M. Slough, Urbanski, VanDyne, Collette, Monday. Resolution No. 065-2009 was lifted from the table.

RESOLUTION NO. 065-2009

First reading

Adopted

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR OF THE CITY OF FINDLAY, OHIO TO FILE AN APPLICATION WITH THE STATE OF OHIO TO PARTICIPATE IN THE SMALL CITIES COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT PROGRAM AND TO SIGN ALL NECESSARY AGREEMENTS.

Mr. J. Slough moved to remove the Resolution from being tabled at the 11/3/09 City Council meeting, seconded by Jr. Collette. Ayes: J. Slough, M. Slough, Urbanski, VanDyne, Collette, Monday, Seng.

Mr. Collette received some phone calls asking why residents have to pay the \$4 increase for stormwater drainage if their downspouts are not hooked up to the storm drain. Mr. Hurt explained that this charge is a City-wide regulation from Ohio EPA. Findlay is considered a Phase II community that is required by the Ohio EPA to put together a stormwater management plan that the Ohio EPA looks at and categorizes us. We are required to inform the public of how to keep the stormwater quality on our streets and what comes out of our stormwater pipes clean, public involvement and public notification, eliminate combined sewer overflow (CSO's). We have twenty-six (26) CSO's in town and we have to eliminate those as part of this program. We have to map the storm sewer system on GIS as well as other tasks we have to do. Ohio EPA also requires us to benchmark and base our performance on those benchmarks. We have to update them every year on how far we've gotten on goals we have. There is stormwater that runs off into the streets and cars have petroleum products in them, so when it is during the summer and is hot with no rain, all the oil is built up on the roadway and with the first heavy rain, everything flushes down into the streams which concerns the Ohio EPA with what our water quality is. Many tasks have to be done in order to meet the five (5) year plan which is one of the reasons why the new Engineer Megan Clement is on board. Half of her salary is paid out of the stormwater fund because she reports to the Ohio EPA on all these tasks. This reporting to Ohio EPA was not a requirement before, but is now required and we will be watched.

Mr. J. Slough asked when and if a report of operations at the W.O.R.C. program will be available to Council and if the program is saving money for the City. Mr. Barker replied that our Computer Services Department is working on finalizing the report that will be given to the next Council meeting. There are currently forty-seven (47) residents at the program which is forty-seven (47) jail days that saved fifty-five dollars (\$55) a day. More beds were added because we anticipate over fifty (50) residents for next week, and then anticipate having an average of forty-seven (47) residents through the beginning of next year. We hope to maintain the level of forty-seven (47) residents. Our initial goal was thirty-five (35) residents on an average daily basis. We passed that goal the second week we were open and operating. We've been in business for five (5) weeks now. Mr. Urbanski then asked what the break even number of residents is. Mr. Barker replied that is thirty-five (35). We break even on our investment with thirty-five (25) residents, but that doesn't count the savings in jail costs. This is just operational costs of twenty-five dollars (\$25) per day. We budgeted seven hundred thousand dollars (\$700,000.00) for incarceration costs for next year. Every day that someone is in the W.O.R.C. program, that saves the City fifty-five dollars (\$55) a day that is not spent with the County to house that person in the jail. The Courts have told us that they will go to jail if they do not utilize the W.O.R.C. program. The W.O.R.C. program allows them to continue to go to their regular jobs and contribute to society. It is difficult to calculate the total savings with the W.O.R.C. program, but thirty-five (25) individuals will its way. Mr. VanDyne asked if the program is for males only. Mr. Barker replied that currently is for males only, but it is a possibility of adding female residents in the spring which will require some minor additions to the building (i.e. handicap restroom facilities, etc.). Mr. Collette than asked if we have been successful in receiving payment from residents. Mr. Barker replied that everyone is paying.

New Business

Mr. M. Slough mentioned that an Airport Committee meeting and was pleasantly surprised that we have a small cottage industry setting up out there to help put together a new light aircraft. He asked if they have started it yet. Mr. Hardy replied that they started testing. A local individual has been helping them out with dynamic testing drag, propellers surrounded by a ring which gives different aero dynamics than just a propeller. They are using state of the art carbon fiber to make up this airplane. It will be a two passenger airplane that will sell in the one hundred twenty-five thousand dollar (\$125,000) range. It is light weight. They want to hit that marker because then the Pilots do not have to go through the rigorous medical examinations if you were a military or commercial Pilot. They are looking for certain speeds. It is good to see something else that is aviation related that is happening at the Findlay Airport. Mr. M. Slough noted that having this will provide some jobs for local individuals.

Mr. J. Slough moved to excuse the absence of Mr. Ward and Mr. Schedel. Seconded by Mr. Monday. All in favor.

Mayor Sehnert mentioned that he stopped to see Council Clerk Martha Stelzer and she is doing well.

Mr. Monday: WATER AND SEWER COMMITTEE MEETING – 4:30 PM - DECEMBER 3, 2009, THIRD FLOOR CONFERENCE ROOM

- Agenda:
1. Sanitary Sewer revision for Ohio Logistics
 2. Water/sewer rates
 3. Water/sewer study results

Mr. Hackenberg commented that two (2) weeks ago in this community, we passed three (3) levies. He thanked City Employees and various committees for their hard work, our local newspaper, and Writer Joy Brown for their efforts. The positive attitude of The Courier for the past month was a big player in getting the levies passed.

President Schuck adjourned Council at 8:27 PM.

CLERK OF COUNCIL

PRESIDENT OF COUNCIL