

CITY OF SAINT MARYS REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING

FEBRUARY 15, 2010

CALL TO ORDER

The regular monthly Council meeting of the City of Saint Marys was called to order by Mayor Sally Geyer on Monday, February 15, 2010 at 7:00 p.m. The meeting was held in the Council Room of City Hall, 11 LaFayette Street. Notice of this meeting was sent to Council on February 11, posted at City Hall, and published in the Daily Press.

ROLL CALL

Present: Mayor Sally Geyer, Dennis Nero, Steven Skok, Richard Gabler, Jr., Daniel Hepner, Richard Dornisch, Bob Roberts, Manager David Greene, and Solicitor Mark Jacob.

VISITORS

Visitors included: Fred Haas, Tina Gradizzi, Warren Stewart, and Ken Young.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES
February 1, 2010

Bob Roberts made a motion to approve the minutes of February 1, 2010, seconded by Richard Gabler, Jr., and all were in favor.

PUBLIC HEARING
RE: CDBG Modifications/Revisions

Mayor Geyer opened the Public Hearing at 7:02 p.m. and turned the hearing over to Tina Gradizzi, Community & Economic Development Coordinator.

The purpose of the Public Hearing was to welcome any Public comments on the Modifications and Revisions presented to City Council at their last meeting on February 1, 2010.

This Public Hearing was published in The Daily Press on February 11, 2010.

Ms. Gradizzi stated in order to provide additional funding of approximately \$164,000 to the Multi-year Depot Street Reconstruction Project, the City must reallocate the funding for Depot Street Reconstruction Project in the 2007 CDBG Contract in the amount of \$122,215 towards two projects being proposed on their 2010 CDBG application and use the 2010 CDBG funding for Depot Street Reconstruction Project and 18% Administration.

Currently 2007, 2008 and 2009 CDBG has funding in the amount of \$725,006. With the proposed Modifications and Revisions, 2008, 2009 and 2010 funding available would be in the amount of \$889,791. The 2010 CDBG allocations are based on the City receiving \$350,000.

The 2007 funding would be allocated for the City of St. Marys Redevelopment Authority for work in the DCED approved Slum/Blight areas in the amount of \$90,000 and to the Community Nurses for the purchase of TeleHealth and Video Monitoring Equipment in the amount of \$32,215. The 2007 Depot Street Project would be modified as a 2010 CDBG Project totaling approximately \$287,000.

Citizen Comments

There were no citizen comments regarding the modifications/revisions to CDBG funds.

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Motion

Richard Dornisch made a motion to accept the modifications/revisions, seconded by Daniel Hepner, and all were in favor.

Hearing Adjourned

Richard Gabler, Jr. made a motion to adjourn the public hearing, seconded by Steven Skok, and all were in favor. The public hearing was adjourned at 7:05 p.m.

CITIZEN COMMENTS ON
AGENDA TOPICS

There were no citizen comments on agenda topics.

MANAGER'S REPORT

January 19- Attended the Parking Authority meeting to answer questions about the Depot Street Parking Garage Project.

January 26- Met with Mary Meyer to learn more about the new Volksmarch Club that is being hosted by the PTO and the Development / Advancement Office of the St. Marys Catholic and Middle Schools.

January 27- Attended the North Central Board of Directors Meeting held in Ridgway.

January 29- City staff and I met with Steve Travis from EOG Resources to explore the possibility of the WWTP selling effluent water from the plant to EOG for Gas Well Drilling.

February 2- Carol and I met with Joe Trimarchi and Sean Gabler from First Commonwealth Bank to discuss any future banking needs of the City.

APPROVAL OF EXPENDITURES

Dennis Nero made a motion to approve the Expenditures from January 17, 2010 to February 13, 2010, seconded by Steven Skok, and all were in favor.

TREASURER'S REPORT

Mayor Geyer presented the following Treasurer's Report for January 31, 2010.

Revenue for the General Fund was at 1.91% of budget and expenditures were at 5.13% of budget for January. Last year at this time 1.8% of budget for revenue was collected and 4.51% of budget was expensed. Revenue will be low for the first few months of the year due to the real estate bills not being mailed until March 1 of each year.

LEGISLATIVE ACTION

Consider for adoption:

Resolution No. 10-1 re: Changing the Fee Schedule

Resolution No. 10-1 was presented for adoption amending Resolution 08-3 pertaining to the City of St. Marys Fee Schedule.

The following fees shall be revised and/or added:

Residential Septage Acceptance: A fee for the Acceptance of Residential Septage at the Wastewater Treatment Plant at a rate of five (5) cents per gallon shall be added to the fee schedule.

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Sewer Rates: The base rate for sewer bills shall hereafter be increased from \$17.00 per month to \$19.50 per month for each water meter connected to the sanitary sewer system.

Surcharge for Industrial Discharges: NH1-N shall be revised to read NH3-N.

*(The following section and statement shall be added to the Fee Schedule)

Right To Know Law: The PA Office of Open Records establishes a fee structure, which is on file in the Administrative Offices of the City of Saint Marys.

S.E.O. SERVICES:

Process Sewage Permit Application: \$375.00 per application

Includes a site inspection, six (6) soil probes, one (1) perc. test, design review, issuance of Sewage Permit, and a Final Inspection.

Repair/ Modification Permits; includes Site Visit & Follow-up inspection: \$175.00 per application

(For minor repairs that do not require soils testing or alterations to the absorption area)

Investigating complaints and malfunctions: \$125.00 per visit, plus any additional costs (includes a dye test if necessary) (i.e.: waster sampling)

Return visit to a lot that was not properly prepared by the owner: \$75.00 per extra visit

Reissue Expired Permit: \$100.00

Miscellaneous work not described above: \$45.00 per hour

There will be no refunds of any Permit Application Fees once the processing of the Application has been started

SUBDIVISION WORK:

Preliminary Site Suitability Testing for D.E.P. Sewage Planning Modules: (Soils Probes only; pass or fail): \$125.00 for the first three soil probes; \$20.00 for each additional soil probe (100% paid by the developer)

Complete Site Suitability Testing for D.E.P. Sewage Planning Modules: (Soils Probes and Perc. Testing): \$250.00 per EDU (1 EDU=1 residential building lot) (100% paid for by the developer with credit given for any preliminary fees already paid)

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Replacement Area Testing \$150.00 per EDU (1 EDU+ 1 residential lot)
for D.E.P. Sewage Planning Modules: (100% paid for by the developer with credit given for any preliminary fees already paid)
(Soils Probes and Perc. Testing)

Review of a D.E.P. \$50.00 per Planning Sewage Planning Module Module
when a Sewage Permit (100% paid by the developer) application is pending:
(Applicable to a single building lot subdivision only)

Residual Tract Inspections \$75.00 per lot (100% paid of existing on-lot systems by the developer)
for Non-Building Lot Waivers and D.E.P. Planning Modules:

Motion

Dennis Nero made a motion to approve Resolution 10-1, seconded by Daniel Hepner, and all were in favor.

Resolution No. 10-2 re: County Aid Application for Liquid Fuel Funds

Resolution No. 10-2 was presented for adoption to apply for an allocation of Elk County Liquid Fuel Tax Funds in the amount of \$11,000, for the purchase of 1B Limestone for the City's unimproved roads.

Motion

Bob Roberts made a motion to approve Resolution 10-2, seconded by Richard Gabler, Jr., and all were in favor.

AWARD OF BID

Re: Used Pick-up Truck
(from Crystal Fire Department)

The following bids were opened for the "Used Pick-up Truck" during a public meeting on Friday, February 12, 2010 at 2:00 p.m. at City Hall.

- Glenn Meyer- \$1,678.00
- Mike Schatz- \$1,005.23
- Keith Spong, Jr.- \$3,503.00
- Frank Samick- \$755.00
- Terry Forester- \$2,019.97
- Leonard Schneider- \$1,502.27
- Denny Lecker- \$4,010.00
- Tyler Landscape- \$1,352.00
- Buerk's Septic Service- \$5,005.00
- Tom Mosier- \$1,869.00
- Schneider's Garage- \$4,525.00
- Boot Jack Auto Sales- \$1,429.00
- St. Vincent Fire Dept.- \$3,117.00
- Leo Winters- \$2,799.99

The bid was advertised on January 27, January 29, and February 1, 2010, in the Daily Press. Representatives from the Crystal Fire Department recommended the bid be awarded to Buerk's Septic Service.

Motion

Richard Gabler, Jr. made a motion to award the bid to Buerk's Septic Service in the amount of \$5,005.00, seconded by Daniel Hepner, and all were in favor.

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TOPICS FOR DISCUSSION

There were no topics for discussion.

**CITIZEN COMMENTS
ON NON-AGENDA TOPICS**

There were no citizen comments on non-agenda topics.

COUNCIL COMMENTS

Richard Gabler, Jr. mentioned that Electronic Recycling would be held this Saturday, February 20, from 9:00 until 1:00 and plastics could also be dropped off.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Mayor Geyer made the following announcements:

- The next Council worksession will be held Monday, March 1, 2010 at 7:00 p.m. at City Hall.

ADJOURNMENT

Dennis Nero made a motion to adjourn the meeting.



Recording Secretary

Mayor