

## CITY OF SAINT MARYS COUNCIL WORKSESSION

FEBRUARY 7, 2011

**CALL TO ORDER**

A Council worksession of the City of Saint Marys was called to order by Mayor Sally Geyer on Monday, February 7, 2011 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 3, 2010, posted at City Hall, and published in the Daily Press.

**ROLL CALL**

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

**VISITORS**

Visitors included: Benj Bennett, William W. Hroust, Bill Hroust, Bob and Julie DeLullo, Mark Mercer, Mark Raubenstrauch, Chris Sarginger, Rich Sarginger, Donna and David Ragland, Lisa Kline, Julie Anderson, Warren Stewart, Richard Sadley, Renee Sullivan, Robert Wittman, Philip Forster, Tom Farley, Mike Brock, Steve Michuck. Curt Brennen did not sign in.

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

January 17, 2011

Bob Roberts made a motion to approve the minutes of January 17, 2011, seconded by Daniel Hepner, and all were in favor.

**REPORT ON EXECUTIVE SESSION**

An Executive Session was held immediately following the January 17, 2011 Council meeting regarding personnel matters. No decisions were made.

**CITIZEN COMMENTS ON AGENDA TOPICS**

There were no citizen comments on agenda topics.

**LEGISLATIVE ACTION**

Resolution No. 11-2, re: Opposing PennDOT policy.

Resolution No. 11-2 was presented opposing the recently enacted PennDOT policy relating to stormwater facility modification or construction within Commonwealth right-of-ways.

Manager Greene explained the policy now requires municipalities to coordinate Highway Occupancy Permits with the developer or property owner which places the burden of liability upon the municipalities.

Dennis Nero made a motion to adopt Resolution No. 11-2, seconded by Richard Dornisch, and all were in favor.

Resolution No. 11-3, re: Certifying twenty-one years of maintenance for a portion of Prince Alley.

Resolution No. 11-3 was presented certifying 264.1 linear feet of the western portion of Prince Alley has been in use by the public and has been maintained by the expenditure of Borough funds for a period of twenty-one years or more.

Manager Green explained the above named portion of Prince Alley would qualify for Liquid Fuels funds if the maintenance was certified by Council.

Bob Roberts made a motion to adopt Resolution No. 11-3, seconded by Dennis Nero, and all were in favor.

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Appointments to Authorities, Boards  
and Commissions

## Zoning Hearing Board (5 years)

Richard Dornisch made a motion to appoint James T. Baumgratz to the Zoning Hearing Board, seconded by Steven Skok.

Bob Roberts clarified the appointment was for a regular member position.

All were in favor to appoint James T. Baumgratz to the Zoning Hearing Board as a regular member.

Richard Gabler, Jr. made a motion to appoint William Rung as the alternate position for the Zoning Hearing Board to fill the unexpired term of James T. Baumgratz, seconded by Daniel Hepner, and all were in favor.

Assistant Street Superintendant  
Position

A request was presented to Council to change the current Assistant Street Superintendent Management Position from an hourly position with overtime, to a salaried position with no overtime. The new salaried position would be \$47,424 annually.

Daniel Hepner made a motion to approve the request, seconded by Steven Skok, and all were in favor.

Subdivision Applications:  
Donna and David Ragland, State  
Street

A subdivision application was presented for Donna and David Ragland for property located on State Street. The subdivision plan proposes to divide a 2.16 acre lot, Lot No. 3, from a 17.33 acre parcel for the purpose of creating a new building lot for a single family dwelling. The new lot has access to public water and is proposing an on-lot sewage disposal system and has a valid perk test and design. The residual parcel contains a single family dwelling with public water and an existing on-lot sewage disposal system. The new lot is accessed by a 50 foot wide private street. The necessary corrections were made to the recordation plats, and the Commission recommended the approval of the subdivision by unanimous vote.

Steven Skok made a motion to approve the Donna and David Ragland subdivision, seconded by Richard Dornisch, and all were in favor.

Richard and Nicole Wilson, Wilson  
Road

A subdivision application was presented for Richard and Nicole Wilson for property located on Wilson Road. This is the redrawing of property lines between two parcels, Lot 2 and the residual. No new building lots are proposed as a result of this subdivision. Lot 2 and the residual will utilize on-lot sewage disposal systems. The lots comply with the zoning ordinance and are accessed via a private right-of-way. The necessary corrections were made to the recordation plats, and the Commission recommended the approval of the subdivision by unanimous vote.

Daniel Hepner made a motion to approve the Richard and Nicole Wilson Subdivision, seconded by Bob Roberts, and all were in favor.

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**TOPICS FOR DISCUSSION**

2010 Manager's Evaluation

Mayor Geyer asked Council for volunteers to perform the 2010 Manager's Evaluation. Council will fill out evaluation forms and forward them to a committee. Daniel Hepner and Bob Roberts volunteered as committee members.

City Bond Re-Financing

Manager Greene stated the City's Bond is up for renewal. It was agreed to have the two interested parties, RBC Financial and PNC Financial, give presentations at the next Council meeting.

**CITIZEN COMMENTS ON NON-AGENDA TOPICS**

Bob DeLullo

Bob DeLullo from the Woodbed Company/Delullo Trucking Company approached Council to respond to the recent accusations made by Wilson Road residents. He provided Council with a list of accommodations that had already been made at the Woodbed Company. He also provided Council with a DEP report that found no violations during their numerous visits to the Woodbed Company.

Julie Anderson

Julie Anderson from the Woodbed Company gave Council statistics on the financials of the Woodbed Company.

Rich Sarginger

Rich Sarginger stated he was a Woodbed employee for five years. He also stated the Wilson Road residents had requested free items from the Woodbed Company.

Curt Brennen

Curt Brennen stated the Woodbed Company was a good and legitimate company.

Mayor Geyer

Mayor Geyer commented she was glad that both sides of this issue had been presented to Council.

Councilman Dornisch

Councilman Dornisch stated both sides had been presented and the proper agencies found no violations.

Councilman Roberts

Councilman Roberts stated Council's obligation was to refer the problem to the appropriate agencies.

Steve Michuck

Steve Michuck again approached Council and distributed information regarding a previous property issue. He stated he would prepare a letter to Council as the Solicitor had previously requested.

Tom Farley

Tom Farley requested an update on the selling of water from the Wastewater Treatment Plant to drillers. Council and Mr. Farley had a brief discussion regarding what progress had been made to make the water available to an interested driller.

**COUNCIL COMMENTS**

Councilman Roberts

Councilman Roberts clarified that he and Councilman Hepner would perform the 2010 Manager's Evaluation. All Council members were to complete the forms that were handed out to Council.

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Councilman Dornisch

Councilman Dornisch commented he and Councilman Hepner had attended the February Planning Commission meeting. He was requesting a joint meeting between City Council and the Planning Commission. The meeting would be for discussion only, but the public would be invited. The date suggested was Tuesday, February 15, 2011 at 7:00 p.m. at City Hall. Council agreed to the suggested date and time. The meeting will be advertised.

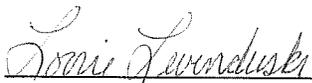
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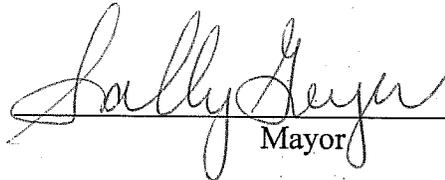
Mayor Geyer made the following announcement:

- The next Council meeting will be Monday, February 21, 2011 at 7:00 p.m. at City Hall.

## ADJOURNMENT

Dennis Nero made a motion to adjourn the meeting.

  
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Recording Secretary

  
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Mayor