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CALL TO ORDER

The regular monthly Council meeting of the City of Saint Marys was called to order by Mayor Sally Geyer on Monday, January 17, 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 January 13, 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: E.J. Friedl, Olin Tucker, Maria Donachy, Denny Bauer, Willie Hanes, Bob VanAlstine, Steve Michuck, Yvonne Michuck, Emily Hanes, and Richard Sadley.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES
January 3, 2011

Daniel Hepner made a motion to approve the minutes of January 3, 2011, seconded by Bob Roberts, and all were in favor, except Richard Gabler, Jr., who abstained.

CITIZEN COMMENTS ON AGENDA TOPICS

There were no citizen comments on agenda topics.

MANAGER'S REPORT

December 20- Mike Mullaney, Steve Samick, and I met with Chris Barnett from PennDOT to discuss the Bruxelles Street intersection. We are trying to direct truck traffic from using Chestnut Street. Additional signs will be installed by PennDOT directing all west bound Route 120 traffic to turn right on South Michael Street.

December 21- Attended a committee meeting to discuss St. Marys Airport operations and funding.

December 29- Attended the Parking Garage construction meeting held at the job site on Depot Street.

December 29- Attended a committee meeting to discuss St. Marys Airport operations and funding with Airport Chairman Victor Straub.

January 6- Attended a meeting to discuss the Power Purchase agreement with Dynamic Energy Inc.

January 11- Attended a committee meeting to discuss the 2011 Street Paving Program.

APPROVAL OF EXPENDITURES

Richard Dornisch made a motion to approve the Expenditures from December 12, 2010 to January 15, 2011, seconded by Steven Skok, and all were in favor.

TREASURER'S REPORT

Mayor Geyer presented the Treasurer's Report for December 31, 2010. The total revenue for the General fund was \$5,293,261.29 or 93.47 percent of budget. The expenditures to date were \$5,175,423.16 or 91.39 percent of budget. All other funds were well within their budget with some carryovers to next year. Pension funds had an increase in market value this month and for the year.

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LEGISLATIVE ACTION

Consider for adoption Resolution No. 11-1, re: Authorization for Agreements between the City and PennDOT

Resolution No. 11-1 was presented for adoption to authorize the Mayor to sign all Agreements between the City of St. Marys and PennDOT for the year 2011, on its behalf, and that the City Manager be authorized and directed to attest the same.

Manager Greene explained this was an annual requirement by PennDOT.

Motion Passed

Richard Gabler, Jr. made a motion to adopt Resolution No. 11-1, seconded by Richard Dornisch, and all were in favor.

Approval of installation of three new fire hydrants

Manager Greene presented the following request from the Crystal Fire Department:

Annually the Crystal Fire Department makes recommendations to the City and Water Authority for the installation of new fire hydrants to better enhance fire fighting capabilities in strategic areas around the City. Below are the suggested locations for the current year.

- Rosely Road- At the end of the City maintained road near the turnaround, on the left hand side of the road.
- S. St. Marys Road- On the right side just prior to the first entrance to Pepsi Cola. (854 S. St. Marys Rd.)
- S. St. Marys Road- On the right side beyond Phillips Jewelers (966 S. St. Marys Rd. near the intersection of Comfort Lane.

Motion Passed

Bob Roberts made a motion to approve the installation of the above listed fire hydrants, seconded by Richard Gabler, Jr., and all were in favor.

TOPICS FOR DISCUSSION

Councilman Roberts

Councilman Roberts gave Council an update on the Street Paving Program. He stated himself, Councilman Skok, and the City Manager, met with Street Superintendant Steve Samick, Public Works Director Mike Mullaney, and City Engineer Tim Brennan to discuss the program. A bid list was being compiled with an intended completion date by Labor Day of 2011. As soon as the list is finalized, it will be presented to Council.

Councilman Dornisch

Councilman Dornisch directed his questions to Solicitor Jacob. He inquired as to the status of the Marcellus Shale Oil and Gas Drilling issue and Solicitor Jacob responded it was his understanding the Planning Commission was going to address the issue further at their February 1st meeting.

**CITIZEN COMMENTS
ON NON-AGENDA TOPICS**

Elizabeth Friedl

Elizabeth Friedl again approached Council with questions regarding Zito Media and the franchise agreement with the City. Solicitor Jacob suggested the

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best way to settle a complaint was to send written correspondence. Under the agreement, Zito Media has 30 days to respond to a written complaint with results or conclusions to the complaint. There was a brief discussion regarding the various portions of the franchise agreement. Mrs. Friedl also again expressed her concerns regarding the house numbering enforcement for the City. Council discussed the difficulty enforcing some Ordinances.

Steve Michuck

Steve Michuck approached Council and gave suggestions regarding the monthly planning of the City's budget.

Olin Tucker

Olin Tucker approached Council and requested an update on the Wilson Road issue that was discussed at the last meeting and Manager Greene responded that the Department of Environmental Protection was now involved and the City was waiting for their completed report.

Maria Donachy

Maria Donachy Wilson Road resident commented numerous attempts by the Wilson Road residents had been made to resolve the problem. The resident's decided to bring this matter to Council's attention, since prior issues with the Woodbed Company had been resolved when the City was notified.

COUNCIL COMMENTS

Councilman Roberts

Councilman Roberts announced there will be training for Elk County Candidates who intend to run for office during the 2011 Election year. The training will be held at the Courthouse Annex building on February 7, 2011 at 6:00 p.m.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Mayor Geyer made the following announcements:

- The next Council worksession will be held Monday, February 7, 2011 at 7:00 p.m. at City Hall.
- An Executive Session regarding personnel matters will be held following adjournment of tonight's meeting.

ADJOURNMENT

Richard Gabler, Jr. made a motion to adjourn the meeting.

 Mayor



 Recording Secretary