

**CITY OF HIGHLAND HEIGHTS
MINUTES OF REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING
JANUARY 2, 2007**

On January 2, 2007, Mayor Meyers opened the Council meeting at the Civic Center, 175 Johns Hill Road, at 7:30 p.m.

Mayor Meyers announced that on December 19, 2006 the newly elected Mayor and Council members were administered the Oath of Office.

PRESENT: Council Members: Gary Chinn, Rene Heinrich, Steve Lehman, Rose Pfaff, Sandy Shaw and Gene White. **ALSO PRESENT:** City Attorney Steve Franzen and Building Inspector/Zoning Administrator Dave Whitacre, Police Chief Carl Mullen and Public Works Director Rick Little.

ABSENT: None.

PRAYER: Mayor Meyers

Mayor Meyers asked that everyone take a few moments of silence and keep in their prayers President Gerald Ford who died this week and for DeeDee Fessler. He announced that DeeDee had worked for the City for many years.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE TO THE FLAG: Everyone said the pledge of allegiance to the flag.

PRESENTATION OF MINUTES: The unofficial draft of the minutes of December 19, 2006 Council meeting had been previously submitted to the Mayor, Council members and City Staff.

ACTION TAKEN: MEMBER LEHMAN MOVED, SECONDED BY MEMBER PFAFF TO APPROVE THE MINUTES OF THE REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING OF DECEMBER 19, 2006. DISCUSSION: NONE. 3 -- AYES, 3 -- ABSTENTIONS VOICED BY COUNCIL MEMBERS CHINN, HEINRICH AND SHAW. MAYOR MEYERS DECLARED THE MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

CHANGES/ADDITIONS/DELETIONS TO THE AGENDA: None.

SCHEDULED GUEST/S: None.

- **CORRESPONDENCE:** None.

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STAFF REPORTS: POLICE CHIEF: No report.

CITY CLERK/TREASURER: Mrs. Rauf announced she previously distributed the 2007 W4 Federal withholding form and the Form K-4 , State withholding form, to each Council member and Mayor. She stated once the forms have been completed, please return them to her.

FINANCE DIRECTOR: No report.

CITY ENGINEER/ZONING ADMINISTRATOR – DAVE WHITACRE:

Mr. Whitacre submitted his written report. A copy is attached to these minutes. A copy thereof was previously distributed to the Mayor and City Council members.

PUBLIC WORKS DIRECTOR: RICK LITTLE: Mr. Little stated he had received a request from the lady on Regency Court. He said the lady wanted to know if the curb that was originally on Regency was going to be put back.

OUTCOME: Mr. Whitacre stated he would check on this matter and will report back to Council.

CITY ATTORNEY: SECOND READING/S OF ORDINANCE/S: No ordinance/s at this time.

Attorney Franzen announced he had prepared a Resolution stating the City of Highland Heights desires to purchase Highland Heights Elementary School.

Attorney Franzen gave a background stating the city has been in negotiation with the Campbell County Board of Education for the purchase of this land. He stated that the City signed a contract with the Campbell County Board of Education to purchase Highland Heights Elementary School for \$385,000. He also announced that Mr. Whitacre will do a survey of the property sometime this week.

Attorney Franzen distributed an aerial photo of this property to the Mayor and City Council members.

At this time, he read, in full, the following Resolution:

- **RESOLUTION #01-2007.**

ACTION TAKEN: MEMBER LEHMAN MOVED TO AUTHORIZE MAYOR MEYERS TO SIGN THE RESOLUTION, SECONDED BY MEMBER WHITE.

DISCUSSION: NONE. ROLL CALL: WHITE, AYE; HEINRICH, AYE; LEHMAN,

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AYE; SHAW, AYE; PFAFF, AYE; CHINN, AYE. 6 -- AYES. MAYOR MEYERS DECLARED THE MOTION PASSED.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS: Member Lehman stated it was his understanding that Rumpke was to empty the trash cans at the bus stops. **OUTCOME:** Attorney Franzen stated he will review the contract.

CITIZEN/S TO ADDRESS COUNCIL: None.

NEW BUSINESS: FIRST READING/S OF ORDINANCE/S: None.

OTHER NEW BUSINESS: Mayor Meyers stated it has been the tradition that the person who received the highest vote in the last election serves as Mayor Pro Tem. He stated Member White received the most votes. He stated he would like to nominate Gene White for this position. Hearing no objection, Mayor Meyers announced Gene White will serve as Mayor Pro Tem during 2007-2008.

Mayor Meyers also announced he would like to conduct a Special Council meeting on January 13, 2007 at 10:00 a.m. for the specific purpose to establish Council Committees Members thereof and their description of duties.

ACTION TAKEN: MEMBER PFAFF MOVED TO CONDUCT A SPECIAL COUNCIL MEETING ON JANUARY 13, 2007 AT 10:00 AM FOR THE SPECIFIC PURPOSE TO ESTABLISH COUNCIL COMMITTEES, MEMBERS THEREOF AND THEIR DESCRIPTION OF DUTIES, SECONDED BY MEMBER WHITE.

DISCUSSION: MEMBER HEINRICH ANNOUNCED HER BABY IS DUE TO BE BORN VERY CLOSE TO THIS DATE AND SHE WOULD LIKE TO ATTEND. SHE ASKED IF THE DATE COULD BE CHANGED.

ACTION TAKEN: MEMBER PFAFF AMENDED HER MOTION TO CONDUCT A SPECIAL COUNCIL MEETING ON JANUARY 8, 2007 AT 7:30 P.M. MEMBER WHITE AMENDED HIS SECOND. AYE, ALL. MAYOR MEYERS DECLARED THE MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

EXECUTIVE SESSION: MEMBER LEHMAN MOVED TO CONVENE TO EXECUTIVE SESSION TO DISCUSS LITIGATION AND A PERSONNEL MATTER, SECONDED BY MEMBER PFAFF. AYE, ALL. MAYOR MEYERS DECLARED THE MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

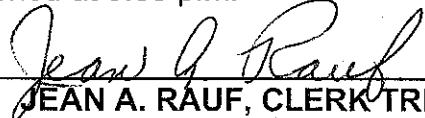
MEMBER WHITE MOVED TO COME OUT OF EXECUTIVE SESSION AND RE-CONVENE TO THE REGULAR MEETING, SECONDED BY MEMBER LEHMAN. AYE, ALL. MAYOR MEYERS DECLARED THE MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

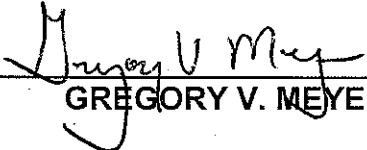
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ACTION TAKEN: MEMBER LEHMAN MOVED TO AUTHORIZE THE MAYOR TO ENTER INTO A CONTRACT WITH MR. PARSONS FOR HIS SERVICES TO STUDY THE CITY'S FINANCES, SECONDED BY MEMBER PFAFF. DISCUSSION: NONE. AYE ALL. MAYOR MEYERS DECLARED THE MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

Being no further business, **MEMBER WHITE MOVED TO ADJOURN THE MEETING, SECONDED BY MEMBER PFAFF. AYE, ALL. MAYOR MEYERS DECLARED THE MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.**

The meeting adjourned at 9:00 p.m.

SUBMITTED BY 
JEAN A. RAUF, CLERK TREASURER CMC

SIGNED BY: 
GREGORY V. MEYERS, MAYOR