

**CITY OF HIGHLAND HEIGHTS  
COUNCIL MINUTES  
OCTOBER 7, 2008**

On October 7, 2008 Mayor Meyers opened the Council meeting at the Civic Center, 175 Johns Hill Road at 7:30 pm.

**PRESENT:** Council Members Gary Chinn, Rene Heinrich, Steve Lehman, Rose Pfaff, Sandra Shaw and Gene White. Also present: Zoning Administrator/ Building Inspector Dave Whitacre, Police Chief Carl Mullen, Public Works Director Rick Little and Attorney Franzen who arrived later in the meeting.

**ABSENT:** None.

**ANNOUNCEMENT:** Mayor Meyers announced that City Attorney Franzen would be late.

**PRAYER/PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE TO THE FLAG:** After Councilmember Lehman delivered the prayer; everyone said the pledge of allegiance to the flag.

**PRESENTATION OF THE REGULAR COUNCIL MINUTES OF SEPTEMBER 16, 2008.** The unofficial draft of the regular Council meeting minutes of September 16, 2008 had been previously distributed to the Mayor, Council members and City Staff.

**ACTION TAKEN: MEMBER LEHMAN MOVED, SECONDED BY MEMBER SHAW TO APPROVE THE REGULAR COUNCIL MINUTES OF SEPTEMBER 16, 2008. DISCUSSION: NONE. 5 – AYES. COUNCIL MEMBER PFAFF ABSTAINED. 5 -- AYES; 1 -- ABSTENTION. MAYOR MEYERS DECLARED THE MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.**

**SCHEDULED GUEST/S:** Mr. Jim Collins. Mr. Collins also introduced Mr. Bob Cooper. Mr. Collins gave a presentation and update of the Vision Session that was conducted on June 14, 2008. A copy of his report was turned over to Mayor Meyers and City Council for their review.

Mayor Meyers expressed his appreciation and thanked Mr. Collins and Mr. Cooper for the presentation and the update.

**CORRESPONDENCE:** Mayor Meyers read correspondence from Gene and Pat Landrum, The Pelgen Family, and Jane Weitze. A copy of this correspondence is attached to these minutes.

**STAFF REPORTS: POLICE CHIEF:** Chief Mullen announced the first Highland Heights Southgate Police Authority Board meeting was conducted. He gave a brief report.

**CLERK TREASURER:** Mrs. Rauf stated the 2008 Tax Bills have been mailed and the Newsletter was also mailed.

**FINANCE DIRECTOR:** No report.

**CITY ENGINEER/ZONING ADMINISTRATOR:** Mr. Whitacre previously distributed his report dated October 7, 2008 to the Mayor and council members. A copy thereof is attached to these minutes.

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Mr. Whitacre reported that two bids were received for the North Miller Street Work. He said the lowest and best bid was submitted by JPS Construction in the amount of \$110,819.60. He stated this work would be completed by November 30<sup>th</sup>. Mr. Whitacre recommended that City Council accept this bid.

**ACTION TAKEN: MEMBER LEHMAN MOVED TO ACCEPT JPS CONSTRUCTION BID IN THE AMOUNT OF \$110,819.60 FOR THE NORTH MILLER STREET WORK, SECONDED BY MEMBER WHITE. DISCUSSION: NONE. ROLL CALL; CHINN, AYE; PFAFF, AYE; SHAW, AYE; LEHMAN, AYE; HEINRICH, AYE; WHITE, AYE. 6 – AYES. MAYOR MEYERS DECLARED THE MOTION PASSED.**

**PUBLIC WORKS DIRECTOR:** Mr. Little gave a report on the on going operations of the Public Works Department.

**OLD BUSINESS:** Member Heinrich announced that, at the last meeting there was discussion regarding a concern of a resident about the Sunset property acquisition by Northern Kentucky University. She further announced that Kathy Herschede, the City's liaison to Council from Northern Kentucky University contacted her. Member Heinrich stated that Mr. Ken Ramey, Vice President for Administration and Finance at Northern Kentucky University, invited her to lunch to go over the maps of this area. She said she would keep the Mayor and Council informed.

Member White stated there is a problem at 231 Knollwood with a sump pump. He said the water runs out into the street; and in the winter this area becomes very icy. After discussion about this matter, Mayor Meyer turned this over to the Safety Committee and the Infrastructure Committee. Mr. Whitacre will also work with these committees.

**NEW BUSINESS:** Member Shaw thanked everyone who helped with the Clean up on Saturday October 4<sup>th</sup>.

Member Shaw stated a lady contacted her about a dog park in the City. Member Shaw stated the lady said she would be willing to buy the fence for the park. After a brief discussion Mayor Meyers announced he will contact Judge Executive Pendery about a joint venture for this project.

**CITY ATTORNEY: FIRST READING OF ORDINANCE/S:**

**ORDINANCE #13-2008: AN ORDINANCE CLOSING A PUBLIC WAY  
WITHIN THE CITY OF HIGHLAND HEIGHTS CURRENTLY KNOWN  
AS HALE AVENUE AND MORE FULLY DESCRIBED ON THE  
ATTACHED PLAT.**

Attorney Franzen also stated that before the meeting adjourns, he would like to go into Executive Session regarding litigation.

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**CITIZEN/S TO ADDRESS COUNCIL:** Mrs. Dorothy Riley. Mrs. Riley expressed her concerns about her street. She asked when their area is going to get streets like all the others in the City. Mayor Meyers suggested that next year when the Municipal Aid Road Fund Public Hearing is conducted that she attend this meeting and bring up her concerns about streets at that time.

Mrs. Riley also stated there are potholes on Sunset. **OUTCOME:** Mayor Meyers turned this over to Public Works Director Little.

**EXECUTIVE SESSION: MEMBER WHITE MOVED TO GO INTO EXECUTIVE SESSION FOR THE SPECIFIC PURPOSE TO DISCUSS LITIGATION, SECONDED BY MEMBER PFAFF.**

**MEMBER LEHMAN MOVED TO COME OUT OF EXECUTIVE SESSION AND RECONVENE TO THE REGULAR MEETING, SECONDED BY MEMBER PFAFF. DISCUSSION: NONE. AYE, ALL. MAYOR MEYERS DECLARED THE MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.**

**OUTCOME:** Mayor Meyers announced there was no action to be taken.

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

The meeting adjourned at 9:05pm.

**SUBMITTED BY:** \_\_\_\_\_  
JEAN A. RAUF, CITY CLERK TREASURER, CMC,

**SIGNED:**  \_\_\_\_\_  
GREGORY V. MEYERS, MAYOR