

*City of Utica*  
**Regular Council Meeting**  
**January 5, 2010**

The City Council meeting was called to order by Mayor Noonan, who led the pledge of allegiance at 6:49 p.m.

**Members present:** Kraft, Barthelmeh, Osladil, Noonan, Figurski (7:04 p.m.)

**Absent:** Sikora, Baker

**Executives Session**

Motion by Osladil, seconded by Barthelmeh, to recess to executive session to discuss personnel issues. Voting by roll, 4 ayes, motion **CARRIED**. Meeting recessed to executive session at 6:49 p.m.

Meeting reconvened at 7:40 p.m. with the Mayor leading the Pledge of Allegiance.

**Minutes of 12/8/09**

Motion by Figurski, seconded by Kraft, to approve the minutes of 12/8/09. Voting all ayes, motion **CARRIED**.

**Utica Lions**

Utica Lions presented two checks in the amount of \$500 each to the Utica Public Library and the Utica Parks and Recreation Commission. Both checks will be put to good use.

**Unfinished Business**

**Financial Institution**

Motion by Barthelmeh, seconded by Kraft, to approve the Treasurer's request to utilize Ambassador Money Market Fund for deposit transactions. Voting all ayes, motion **CARRIED**.

**Consent Business**

Motion by Figurski, seconded by Osladil, to approve payment of the annual Clinton River Watershed dues in the amount of \$450, item is budgeted. Voting all ayes, motion **CARRIED**.

**Correspondence**

Notice from MML was received regarding the National League of Cities conference in March in Washington, DC. No action required.

**New Business**

**Department Reports**

**Mayor Noonan**

**Mayor Pro-Tem**

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Motion by Noonan, seconded by Kraft, to reappoint Russell Barthelmeh to the Mayor Pro Tem position for 2 years. Voting all ayes, motion CARRIED.

**Council Reports**

No reports.

**Assessing- Nancy Strehl, Assessor**

No reports.

**Building- Ed Durbin**

No reports.

**DPW- Bill Lang, Superintendent**

**Seasonal Employees**

Motion by Barthelmeh, seconded by Kraft to approve the hiring of two (2) seasonal employees for no longer than six (6) months. Voting all ayes, motion CARRIED.

**DWSD Contract**

Motion by Osladil, seconded by Barthelmeh, to enter into the contract with Detroit Water and Sewer Department as recommended by Hubbell, Roth and Clark engineering firm and to authorize the Mayor to sign the contract. Voting by roll, 5 ayes, 2 absent, motion CARRIED.

**Fire- Kevin Wilseck, Chief**

**MABAS Agreement**

Motion by Osladil, seconded by Barthelmeh, to enter in the Michigan Mutual Aid Box Alarm System Emergency Response Plan (MABAS) as presented. Voting all ayes, motion CARRIED.

**Leave of Absence, Russ Rivard**

Motion by Osladil, seconded by Barthelmeh, to approve a 6 month leave of absence for Russ Rivard, leave to expire 7/6/10 as requested. Voting all ayes, motion CARRIED.

**Police- Mike Reaves, Chief**

NIXLE Public Safety – Community Information Service

Police Chief explained the NIXLE program and recommended all sign up at [www.nixle.com](http://www.nixle.com).

**Treasurer- Philip Paternoster**

No reports.

**Administration- Cathy McGrail, City Clerk**

**Park It Movie**

Park It movie will be at Grant Park on Monday, August 2, 2010. This a family event free of charge to all.

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**CDBG Public Hearing**

The CDBG public hearing will be held at the February 9, 2010 Council meeting.

**Library- Marsha Doege, Director**

**Annual Book Sale**

The Library will again be hosting the annual book sale on 2/13 from 10 a.m. – 4 p.m. and 2/14 from 1 p.m. – 3 p.m.

**Tax Forms**

Tax forms are available at the Library.

**Parks and Recreation Commission**

**Ice Spectacular, 2/13-14**

The Ice Spectacular will be held in the downtown area of Utica on February 13-14, 2010, a truly fun family experience.

**Historic District Commission**

No reports.

**City Attorney**

No reports.

**Planning Commission**

No reports.

**Senior Housing Steering Committee**

No reports.

**Brownfield Redevelopment Authority**

No reports.

**Bills Payable**

Motion by Noonan, seconded by Figurski, to approve the payment of all bills as presented. Voting all ayes, motion **CARRIED**.

**Hanson's Annual Run**

Sonya Hanson was present to request permission for the annual Hanson's Run on Saturday, March 20, 2010 with the course remaining the same and Hanson's will distribute flyers to residents prior to the race.

Motion by Figurski, seconded by Osladil, to approve the request for the annual Hanson's Run on 3/20/2010 as requested. Voting all ayes, motion **CARRIED**.

**Julie Kilburn, Fire Department Billing**

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Julie Kilburn was present to request relief from the Fire Department billing which she received for an illegal fire in her yard which resulted in 12 firefighters responding, one engine, one rescue were also on the scene.

Resident provided pictures and questioned why the cost.

Motion by Barthelmeh, seconded by Noonan, to deny the request for relief but to allow the resident 15 months to make payments, final payment due 3/6/2011. Voting all ayes, motion **CARRIED**.

**Communication from the Public**

No reports.

**Adjournment**

Motion by Barthelmeh, seconded by Osladil, to adjourn the meeting. Voting all ayes, motion **CARRIED**. Meeting adjourned at 8:21 p.m.

M. Catherine McGrail  
CITY OF UTICA  
City Clerk