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President Baker called the regular meeting to order. Pastor Brad Dews of Orrville Baptist Church offered the prayer. The Pledge was recited by all.

Roll call: Shupp, Miller, Vance, Hamsher (absent at beginning of meeting/arrived at 7:37 p.m.), Aspiras, Corfman, and Leathers were present.

Aspiras moved and Corfman seconded that the minutes of the December 6, 2010 regular meeting be approved. Roll call vote. Ayes all. Motion carried.

Public Comment: None.

Standing Committee Reports:

A. Finance – Mr. Miller reported there are a couple of finance items in old business tonight that will be addressed; other than that Finance has no report.

B. Utilities – Mr. Vance had no report.

C. Health & Safety – Mr. Corfman had no report.

D. Parks and Recreation – Mr. Aspiras had no report.

E. Transportation – Mr. Shupp had no report.

F. Planning – Mr. Hamsher had no report.

G. Ordinance & Personnel – Ms. Leathers had no report.

Special Committee Reports: None.

Administrative Reports:

A. Mayor - Mayor Handwerk reported that he gave his lengthy report in the State of the City Address tonight and so there is nothing further. He wished everyone a Merry Christmas and a Buckeye win – I mean Happy New Year. I guess those are the same thing.

B. Safety Service Director- Director Wheeler had no report.

C. Utilities Director – Director Brediger had two items of interest; one concerning electric utility. The EPA rule making that we have been looking forward to coming out in January is now being considered for re-proposal. What that means is that the EPA is going to petition the court to basically go back and take another shot at rewriting this rule. If they do that, it may extend this process another year and a half. Their Plan B is just to ask for a little bit more time instead of this rule coming out in January 2011 it will come out in June 2011. Which route they get granted by the court remains to be seen, but it is a little bit of some good news that there is some common sense being paid at the administrative level to slow down on this rule making to take your time and understand all the implications and ramifications of that. How well it fairs in the court depends a lot on the legislative process, but congress is putting pressure on the EPA to slow things down a little bit and we take a grant of time as being good news. The other piece of information is both the water and electric departments are in the process of renewing their EPA operating permits. These permits extend for five year time periods and we start this process about a year and a half before those permits expire. We are not expecting any significant changes in those, but that does allow the agency the opportunity to change regulations and generally that means imposing some additional environmental

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restrictions for us. With that I do have a few comments to make on Resolution 40-10 under new business.

D. Finance Director – Director Strimlan had no formal report this evening; however, prior to tonight’s meeting I distributed the Fund Balance Reports for the period ending October 31st and also November 30th and I would ask Council for a motion to approve those reports subject to audit. Miller moved and Shupp seconded to accept both reports subject to audit. Roll call vote. Ayes all. Motion carried.

E. Law Director - Director Lutz had no report, but asked for a motion after Good of the Order to go into Executive Session to discuss personnel matters. Hamsher moved and Leathers seconded. Roll call vote. Ayes all. Motion carried.

F. President of Council – President Baker wished everyone a Merry Christmas. We are coming up on a season that is normally full of joy for everyone. So make sure you enjoy your Christmas for everyone on Council, the Administration, and anyone who is watching this evening.

Old Business:

RESOLUTION 35-10

Leathers moved and Miller seconded that Resolution 35-10, a resolution to make appropriations for current expenses and other expenditures of the City of Orrville, State of Ohio, during the fiscal year ending December 31, 2011, and declaring an emergency, be placed on third reading. Roll call vote. Ayes all. Motion carried.

Baker: This is third reading. Does anyone have any further discussion?

Leathers moved and Miller seconded that Resolution 35-10 be adopted as read. Roll call vote. Ayes all. Motion carried.

RESOLUTION 37-10

Leathers moved and Miller seconded that Resolution 37-10, a resolution designating public depositories and awarding public monies, and declaring an emergency, be placed on second reading. Roll call vote. Ayes all. Motion carried.

Strimlan: I believe we talked about this at the last council meeting at length. I have answered all of the questions that I believe that have arisen. I would just ask if this could be approved this evening unless you have any other questions.

Leathers moved and Vance that the rules, regulations, and statutes requiring a reading of a resolution on three separate days be suspended. Roll call vote. Ayes all. Motion carried.

Leathers moved and Miller seconded that Resolution 37-10 be adopted as read. Roll call vote. Ayes all. Motion carried.

New Business:

RESOLUTION 39-10

Leathers moved and Aspiras seconded that Resolution 39-10, a resolution authorizing the Safety-Service Director to execute a deed of easement that grants an easement to the Salvation Army over and on right of way owned by the City of Orrville, be placed on first reading. Roll call vote. Ayes all. Motion carried.

Wheeler: The Salvation Army is in the process of purchasing the Tredway building which is located at the corner of High Street and Sterling Avenue across from Gary’s Drive Thru as well as property behind that building. Sterling Avenue dead ends currently along the Tredway property line and the Salvation Army is requesting a 60’ x 80’ easement from the City for them to access the back property as they plan to add an addition as well as a dock to the existing building. If approved by Council, they will remove the curbing and guardrail and extend the driveway for the property. They do understand that we can take back the property if we decide to extend Sterling Avenue at some time though that is going to be the location of the dog park and I also don’t see any future plans to extend Sterling Avenue at this time or in the future for that matter. The Salvation Army is asking for approval on first

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reading though it could go two readings before they close on the property. Stacey Underwood, the Director, is here if you have any questions, as well as a few board members.

Leathers moved and Corfman that the rules, regulations, and statutes requiring a reading of a resolution on three separate days be suspended. Roll call vote. Ayes all. Motion carried.

Leathers moved and Miller seconded that Resolution 39-10 be adopted as read. Roll call vote. Ayes all. Motion carried.

RESOLUTION 40-10

Leathers moved and Aspiras seconded that Resolution 40-10, a resolution authorizing the Public Utilities Board of Control to enter into a contract and/or contracts, without bidding, for the overhaul of Turbine-Generator No. 11 of the Power Plant, and declaring an emergency, be placed on first reading. Roll call vote. Ayes all. Motion carried.

Brediger: I will add a few comments to that. In our letter to the Utility's committee we did provide a little bit more information and background on this project. This is the ten year overhaul on this generator. This is the largest of our three turbine generators at the power plant. We currently have roughly \$700,000 budgeted for this work. We currently have eight bidders that will be bidding on this work. That number may go up a little bit. These inspections normally occur on a nine to ten year cycle. This machine was last opened and inspected and completed in 2001. This is also part of an insurance requirement that we open up and do detailed inspection and testing on these units. Currently this work is planned for the fall of 2011 and will last roughly two to three months. Getting this resolution up and going ahead of time allows us to work with potential contractors and negotiate various starting times to better fit into their schedules and maybe save us some dollars along the road. We have followed this process for probably about the last eight machines that we have done. We get very good competitive bids. With the downturn of the economy we hope to get some favorable pricing and hopefully be able to work it in with some schedules that allow us low power cost during that time period. Other than that I will answer any questions council may have concerning this resolution.

Corfman: If I understood at Utility Board, we anticipate that the electrical is pretty solid on this.

Brediger: Yes. It will primarily be on the steam side. The generator will be disassembled, but based on some preliminary testing and testing that we do prior to and during this overhaul period are indicating that we do not anticipate any rewind activity. If we would have to get into that, then we look at these costs almost doubling, but that is still the original windings on that generator. That machine is vintage early 1940s. A very well built unit; the best the United States government could purchase and buy back in that time frame.

Corfman: Part of the Manhattan Project.

Brediger: Yes.

Corfman: I saw that tore down the last time it was overhauled. If we have an opportunity. maybe some of council might want to see some of that again.

Brediger: What I plan on doing next year as one of our objectives we do plan on having some of our board meetings at all of our utilities so maybe we will try to time one of our Utility Board meetings during that overhaul that will give council an opportunity to go out and take a look at that inspection work while it is done.

Aspiras: I think it was in 2008 we had Turbine No. 9 overhauled. What was the cost of that? I know there was not a rewind and we saved some money.

Brediger: The last machine was Generator Turbine No. 9 and we did have to rewind that unit. That entire cost of that project was about \$1.3 million and roughly \$750,000 was connected with the rewinding. That machine is smaller and has one less rotor as our generators 10 and 11 do.

Aspiras: So this could considerably go up should we have to, but you don't anticipate that?

Brediger: We are not anticipating any issues related to the generator. There will be some money spent on inspections and testing on that, but right now we plan on basically inspection, testing, and putting the generator portion of that steam turbine back together.

Aspiras: So we are budgeted for the higher amount should we have to do that?

Brediger: No. If get into the generator, we will be coming back and looking for additional support to

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do that work. Right now these costs are estimated basically on the steam side repairs we are anticipating.

Leathers moved and Corfman that the rules, regulations, and statutes requiring a reading of a resolution on three separate days be suspended. Roll call vote. Ayes all. Motion carried.

Leathers moved and Vance seconded that Resolution 40-10 be adopted as read. Roll call vote. Ayes all. Motion carried.

Good of the Order:

Leathers: If Mr. Knode could move his camera around and focus on what is on the table there. I would like to recognize the Industrial Technology classes at Orrville High School for their Toys for Tots program. The students annually do this and they decide what toy they are going to make; draw the schematics; do all the drawings; keep track of all their materials, costs, and labor hours and then enter that into competition. They have won many, many times at their Industrial Technology Conferences, at the Ohio State Fair, and at the Wayne County Fair. Mr. Williams Peters is the instructor and this is this year's project and the larger toy is made by the seniors and the smaller toy is made by the freshmen. They are donated to Toys for Tots; every kindergarten classroom and preschool classroom in the area; the Orrville Area Boys and Girls Club auction gets a set; and then they retain two sets – one for competition and one for display. I would just like to recognize them tell them a job well done.

Baker: I have one item this evening. We passed a resolution for the Salvation Army. One thing that I would like to remind all of Council and especially all of our citizens that the Salvation Army is very visible during the Christmas holiday just because of those red buckets with the bell ringers, but they need help the rest of the year and especially with this project that is going to be coming up. If you decide that after Christmas you may be able to help the Salvation Army in a little bit different way then donating money to them in their kettles, donate some money to their building project because they are going to need it. It is a program that will not be inexpensive, but it can easily be reached especially with the citizens of Orrville and their generosity.

Corfman: Merry Christmas from the Orrville City Council.

Into Executive Session at 7:55 p.m.

Hamsher moved and Aspiras seconded to end the executive session and adjourn council meeting. Roll call vote. Ayes all. Motion carried. Council was adjourned at 8:03 p.m.

Tamra Peppard, Clerk of Council

Date

Lyle Baker, President of Council