

Regular/Public

January 16, 2018

Council President Baker called the meeting to order.

Pastor Chuck Davis from Calvary Assembly Church offered the prayer. The pledge was recited.

Roll call: Shupp, Wilson, Aspiras Jr., Hamsher, Aspiras Sr., Corfman and Lorson were present.

Wilson moved to approve the minutes of the last regular meeting on January 2, 2018. Lorson seconded. Roll call vote; all yeas; motion carried.

**Standing Committee Reports:**

Finance – Aspiras Sr: Motioned to accept 2018 Appropriations Calendar; Corfman seconded. Roll call vote; all yeas; motion carried.

Utilities – Corfman: Requested a Utility Committee meeting, regarding compensation, January 22, 2018, 6:45 pm and encouraged all of council to attend.

Transportation – Shupp: ODOT’s Public Meeting was held today at Schmid Hall regarding the Pine Street Project and had a pretty good turnout.

**Administrative Reports:**

Mayor Handwerk: Requested approval for Paul Vance to fill an open Utility Board position. Corfman moved; Hamsher seconded. Roll call vote; all yeas; motion carried.

Mayor Handwerk presented his State of the City address.

Safety Service Department Steve Wheeler: No trash delay this week. Service Department is working on potholes this week. Our 2017 fire and EMS run numbers are in. We set another record over the 2016 record which was 800; 2017 there were 922 calls. December alone there were 100 calls. Of the 922, 724 were EMS and 198 were fire. The group we have are working their tails off. We recognize them and give them our appreciation for that. Hopefully 2018 is not such a busy year for them.

Utility Director Brediger: There were some issues with trees/branches that fell due to ice buildup that affected customers in the Dalton area. The plant has been running well along with our projects.

Finance Director Strimlan: Distributed the final 2017 Quarterly Investment report prior to tonight’s meeting. The investment earnings have improved from 2016. We will review these more during the Finance Department annual report. Appropriations books will be sent out via email unless you notify her prior to the 5<sup>th</sup> that you would like a hardcopy.

**Good of the Order:**

Director Brediger was asked about the EPA capping our coal burners at 10% productivity, is it a hindrance to us being able to take advantage of the wholesale market? Yes, at times it is and in December and this month. Even if there is demand, we can’t fire it up unless there is an emergency on the transmission system then the transmission system owner would have to declare that, if they would allow an exemption to operate beyond those limitations; economics and cost to the consumer is not an emergency.

Hamsher moved to adjourn the council meeting; Aspiras Sr. seconded. Roll call vote; all yeas; motion carried. Council adjourned at 8:07 p.m.

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Jeanne Gault, Clerk of Council

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Lyle Baker, President of Council