

**MINUTES**  
**UNION CITY BOROUGH COUNCIL**  
**DECEMBER 8<sup>TH</sup>, 2009**

Vision Statement: "The Union City area is a thriving rural community of families, businesses and organizations dedicated to encouraging growth while maintaining small town values."

The meeting of the Union City Borough Council was called to order at 7:07 P.M. by President Brumagin. The meeting was held at the Union City Area High School Large Group Instruction Room.

Councillors present were Brumagin, Bowes, Hinkle, Hoban, Steadman and Tubbs.

Officials present were Borough Manager Cheryl Capela, Mayor Paul Capela, Street Supervisor Paul Maynard and Solicitor Timothy Wachter.

Visitors present were Dave Pfister, Leo Pfister, George Ainsworth, Braden McCrillis, Dustin Kolaja and Roy Hanks.

**APPROVAL OF AGENDA:** It was moved by Councillor Bowes and seconded by Councillor Tubbs that the agenda stands approved as presented.  
Motion carried.

**MOTION ON MINUTES:** It was moved by Councillor Hoban and seconded by Councillor Bowes that all Councillors having read the Budget Work Session held November 9<sup>th</sup>, 2009, Council Meeting held November 10<sup>th</sup>, 2009 and the Work Session held December 1<sup>st</sup>, 2009, be approved.  
Motion carried.

**MOTION ON SECRETARY'S REPORT:** It was moved by Councillor Tubbs and seconded by Councillor Steadman that the Secretary's Report be accepted and made a part of the minutes of this meeting. Motion

carried.

**MOTION ON BILLS:** It was moved by Councillor Hoban and seconded by Councillor Bowes that the unpaid bills be ordered paid and those paid be approved. Motion carried.

**MAYOR:** Mayor Paul Capela said last Wednesday, he had taken Councillor Hinkle to the COG Meeting.

Mayor Paul Capela read a letter from Penn Traffic in regards to the closing of their grocery store in Union City.

Mayor Paul Capela read a letter from Time Warner Cable in regards to channel changes that are being made.

**COUNCIL TO APPROVE A RESOLUTION APPOINTING THE ACCOUNTING FIRM OF MONAHAN AND MONAHAN FOR THE YEAR 2010:** The Resolution appointing the accounting firm of Monahan and Monahan was read by the Borough Manager.

**MOTION TO APPROVE A RESOLUTION APPOINTING THE ACCOUNTING FIRM OF MONAHAN AND MONAHAN FOR THE YEAR 2010:** It was moved by Councillor Hinkle and seconded by Councillor Hoban to appoint the accounting firm of Monahan and Monahan for the year 2010. A roll call vote was taken. All Councillors voted yea. Motion carried.

**COUNCIL TO APPROVE A RESOLUTION ELIMINATING POLICE OFFICER'S CONTRIBUTIONS TO THE POLICE PENSION FUND FOR THE YEAR 2010:** The Resolution eliminating Police Officer's contributions to the Police Pension Fund for the year 2010 was read by the Borough Manager.

**MOTION TO APPROVE A RESOLUTION ELIMINATING POLICE OFFICER'S CONTRIBUTIONS TO THE POLICE PENSION FUND FOR THE YEAR 2010:** It

was moved by Councillor Tubbs and seconded by Councillor Steadman to approve a Resolution eliminating Police Officer's contributions to the Police Pension Fund for the year 2010. A roll call vote was taken. All Councillors voted yea. Motion carried.

**MOTION TO ADOPT THE 2010 BUDGET:** It was moved by Councillor Bowes and seconded by Councillor Hoban to adopt the 2010 Budget. Motion carried.

**MOTION TO ADOPT AN ORDINANCE FIXING THE TAX RATE FOR THE YEAR 2010:**

It was moved by Councillor Bowes and seconded by Councillor Hoban to adopt an Ordinance fixing the tax rate for the year 2010: A roll call vote was taken. Councillor Brumagin, Bowes, Hoban, Steadman and Tubbs voted yea. Councillor Hinkle voted nay. Motion carried.

**COUNCIL TO APPOINT OFFICIALS TO THE FOLLOWING BOARDS AND COMMISSIONS:**

**MUNICIPAL AUTHORITY BOARD:** It was moved by Councillor Tubbs and seconded by Councillor Bowes to appoint Nathan DeSimone to the Municipal Authority Board to serve until December 21<sup>st</sup>, 2014. Councillor Bowes, Hinkle, Hoban, Steadman and Tubbs voted yea. Councillor Brumagin abstained. Motion carried.

**UNION AREA PLANNING COMMISSION:** It was moved by Councillor Bowes and seconded by Councillor Steadman to appoint Jeff Mangol to the Union Area Planning Commission to serve until December 31<sup>st</sup>, 2013. Motion carried.

**ZONING HEARING BOARD:** It was moved by Councillor Bowes and seconded by Councillor Tubbs to appoint Dave Himes to the Zoning Hearing Board to serve until December 31<sup>st</sup>, 2012. Motion carried.

It was moved by Councillor Bowes and seconded by Councillor Steadman

to table the second appointment to the Zoning Hearing Board. Motion carried.

**LIBRARY BOARD:** It was moved by Councillor Bowes and seconded by Councillor Hoban to appoint Rick Pusch and Steve Sears to the Library Board to serve until December 31<sup>st</sup>, 2012. Motion carried.

**RECREATION COMMISSION:** It was moved by Councillor Bowes and seconded by Councillor Hoban to appoint Staci Chapman, Michael Pandolph, Samantha Hawley and Ramona Gilson to the Recreation Commission to serve until December 31<sup>st</sup>, 2014. Motion carried.

**CIVIL SERVICE COMMISSION:** It was moved by Councillor Tubbs and seconded by Councillor Steadman to appoint Dave Wellman to the Civil Service Commission to serve until December 31<sup>st</sup>, 2012. Motion carried.

**VACANCY BOARD:** It was moved by Councillor Bowes and seconded by Councillor Hoban to appoint Mike Wienczkowski to the Vacancy Board to serve until December 31<sup>st</sup>, 2010. Motion carried.

**REPRESENTATIVE TO EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE ERIE COUNTY ASSOCIATION OF BOROUGHS:** It was moved by Councillor Bowes and seconded by Councillor Tubbs to appoint Cheryl Capela as the Representative to the Executive Committee of the Erie County Association of Boroughs to serve until December 31<sup>st</sup>, 2012. Motion carried.

**ERIE COUNTY PLANNING COMMISSION:** It was moved by Councillor Tubbs and seconded by Councillor Bowes to appoint Dan Brumagin to the Erie County Planning Commission to serve until December 31<sup>st</sup>, 2013. Motion carried.

**HOME DECORATING CONTEST:** Councillor Hinkle said he went to different homes in the community to let them know about the Home Decorating Contest

that is being sponsored by the Parks and Recreation Commission.

**UNION CITY MUNICIPAL AUTHORITY:** Councillor Tubbs said the Municipal Authority Board will be interviewing candidates for the Manager position on December 14<sup>th</sup> and 15<sup>th</sup>. He said we hope to hire someone by January.

**NEW DUMP TRUCK:** Councillor Steadman said the new dump truck will be delivered tomorrow.

**STREET DEPARTMENT HOURS:** Street Supervisor Paul Maynard said their new winter hours will be from 5:00 A.M. to 1:00 P.M.

**PLEASANT STREET BRIDGE PROJECT:** Street Supervisor Paul Maynard said he is working on the paperwork for the Pleasant Street Bridge Project.

**SPRING PROJECTS:** Street Supervisor Paul Maynard said he is currently working on a list of spring projects.

**SNOW PLOWING:** Street Supervisor Paul Maynard said he would like to remind citizens about shoveling their sidewalks. He said he would also appreciate if the citizens would not get so angry when they plow in their driveways.

He said everyone from the street crew would like to wish everyone on Borough Council a Merry Christmas.

**COUNTIL TO APPROVE A RESOLUTION ENTERING INTO A CONTRACT WITH AGRESTI LAW FIRM AND THE COUNTY OF ERIE REGARDING JUDICIAL TAX SALE PURSUANT TO THE PENNSYLVANIA REAL ESTATE TAX LAW:** The Resolution entering into a contract with Agresti Law Firm and the County of Erie regarding Judicial Tax Sale pursuant to the Pennsylvania Real Estate Tax Law was read by Councillor Hoban.

**MOTION TO APPROVE A RESOLUTION ENTERING INTO A CONTRACT WITH AGRESTI LAW FIRM AND THE COUNTY OF ERIE REGARDING JUDICIAL TAX SALE PURSUANT TO THE PENNSYLVANIA REAL ESTATE TAX LAW:** It was moved by

Councillor Hoban and seconded by Councillor Bowes to approve a Resolution entering into a contract with Agresti Law Firm and the County of Erie regarding Judicial Tax Sale pursuant to the Pennsylvania Real Estate Tax Law. A roll call vote was taken. All Councillors voted yea. Motion carried.

**MOTION TO SUSPEND THE RULES:** It was moved by Councillor Tubbs and seconded by Councillor Hinkle to suspend the rules. Motion carried.

**MOTION TO APPROVE THE POLICE CHIEF PROVIDE BOROUGH COUNCIL A MONTHLY REPORT ON PARKING TICKETS:** It was moved by Councillor Tubbs and seconded by Councillor Steadman to have the Police Chief provide Borough Council with a monthly report on parking tickets. Motion carried.

**MAYOR:** Mayor Paul Capela said this is his last Council Meeting serving as Mayor. He said during his tenure as Mayor, he has performed sixteen marriages.

He said it has been a pleasure working with all of you.

**INFORMATIONAL SUMMARY:** There being no objection, the Informational Summary will stand approved and be made a part of the minutes of this meeting.

**ADJOURNMENT:** It was moved by Councillor Tubbs and seconded by Councillor Steadman that the meeting be adjourned. Motion carried.

The meeting adjourned at 7:32 P.M.

ATTEST: \_\_\_\_\_  
Borough Manager