

Minutes of the City of Martinsville, Committee meeting held on September 24, 2014 at 7:00 PM in council chambers.

People in attendance were; Council members; Chris Davidson, Joe Hawker, Bill Cross, Fred Clement, Gordon Crutchfield and David Doran along with Clerk Marlene Wilhoit and Treasurer Melinda Short. Audience people in attendance were Terry Gard and Chad Bowman.

Agenda items discussed:

Discuss gas meter installation ordinance fee: Gas Supt Terry Gard addressed council concerning the additional cost of a gas meter that we are installing to houses and businesses installing generators. A regular gas meter costs approx. \$140.00 and a residential generator upgrade meter costs approx. \$ 410.00 and businesses would require bigger and costlier gas meters. Council needs to have ordinance 1048.01 (b) changed to charge for the additional expense and word that warranty for 5 years for free replacement, after that owner pays for new meter.
Also need to change ordinance 1048.01 (a) to \$50.00

Discuss water usage at Linn Park and who is paying for usage: there has been extreme water usage at the new Linn Park and that amount has been billed to Linn Park c/o Martinsville on the Move. A check was received for partial payment with a note that they felt like it wasn't their place to pay for the water. We will check with the attorney for clarification.

Discuss Martinsville on the Move volunteering scheduling of the Linn Park events and reservations forms: will table this until we hear back from the attorney

Discuss date for open house for retiring police officer Mark Blankenkober: Plans need made to have an open house in honor of Mark Blankenkober retirement for October 24, 2014 from 2-4 at city hall.

Discuss fall clean up date: Republic trash service would like to schedule the fall curb side clean up for October 14.

Discuss date for trick or treat: Since the 31st falls on a Friday the council needs to approve trick or treat night for October 31, 2014 from 5-7.

Discuss tax levy ordinance: council viewed and discusses figures for the tax levy and Clerk Wilhoit will consult with the attorney before agreeing to figures for ordinance.

All items that need council action will be added to October agenda for council vote.

Public comments:

The attorney sent a proposed ordinance change concerning public comments requirements. This ordinance will be presented at the October council meeting for approval.

Committee meeting was adjourned at 7:55 pm.

By: *Marlene Wilhoit*