

The City Council met in regular session in the Council Chambers on Wednesday, March 7, 2007 at 9:00 a.m.

Council Members present: Cappabianca, Horan-Kunco, Jones, Schember, Thompson and Jenkins-Husband. 6. (Mr. González was absent)

On motion of Mr. Thompson, Seconded by Mr. Schember, the reading of the minutes of the meeting of February 28, 2007 were dispensed with and same adopted with copies furnished to the members of City Council by yeas Cappabianca, Horan-Kunco, Jones, Schember, Thompson and Jenkins-Husband. 6. Nays. 0.

Copies of the bills under date of March 9, 2007 were given to City Council and same adopted by yeas Council Members Cappabianca, Horan-Kunco, Jones, Schember, Thompson and Jenkins-Husband. 6. Nays. 0., with the exception of invoices to the JFK Center on which Mrs. Jenkins-Husband abstained.

By Mr. Jones, Council File Ordinance #15,500, Pending Official File Ordinance #9-2007 an ordinance amending Article 1503, **Uniform Construction Code**, Section 1502.77, Examinations, to allow the International Code Council to perform testing for journeyman and master plumbers.

March 7, 2007. City Council on motion of Mr. Jones, Seconded by Mrs. Horan-Kunco having read Council File Ordinance #15,500 and now known as Pending Official File Ordinance #9-2007, does hereby adopt by yeas Council Members Horan-Kunco, Jones, Schember, Thompson and Jenkins-Husband. 5. Nays. Mr. Cappabianca. 1.

March 7, 2007. Signed by the President. Attested by the City Clerk.

By Mr. Thompson, Council File Ordinance #15,509, Pending Official File Ordinance #18-2007

an ordinance amending Official Ordinance #26-1958 known as the Traffic Code, by providing for **Stop Signs** on **Plymouth Street** at its intersection with Crescent Drive and on **Virginia Avenue** at its intersection with Delaware Avenue.

March 7, 2007. City Council on motion of Mr. Thompson, Seconded by Mr. Schember, having read Council File Ordinance #15,509 and now known as Pending Official File Ordinance #18-2007 by yeas Council Members Cappabianca, Horan-Kunco, Jones, Schember, Thompson, and Jenkins-Husband. 6. Nays. 0.

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By Mr. Thompson, Council File Ordinance #15,510

an ordinance appropriating the sum of **\$30,000.00** from unappropriated and anticipated revenue of \$20,000.00 received from Erie Neighborhood Watch Council and \$10,000.00 received from #015-0000-0000-3641 Contributions (Pennsylvania Sea Grant Program) and providing for the expenditure thereof by allocating said funds to Account #015-0707-0000-4075 Bridges & Streets for the City of Erie Bikeway, East Lake Road.

March 7, 2007. City Council on motion of Mr. Thompson, Seconded by Mr. Schember, having read Council File Ordinance #15,510, does hereby adopt on First Reading by yeas Council Members Cappabianca, Horan-Kunco, Jones, Schember, Thompson and Jenkins-Husband. 6. Nays. 0.

PLUMBING BOARD COMMITTEE
MINUTES-MARCH 6, 2007

The regular meeting of the City of Erie was held on Tuesday, March 6, 2007 at 9:10 a.m. in the City of Erie 4th floor Conference Room.

Members Present: Al Mele and Jim Hilbert
Members Absent: Jeff Landis (voted by phone call)
Others Present:

1. The members voted all in favor of dissolving the Plumbing Board Committee as of Tuesday, March 6, 2007.
2. The Board will notify City Council at the next Council Meeting, on March 7, 2007.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at approximately 9:45 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,
s/ Pauline Harris, Secretary
Plumbing Board Committee

March 7, 2007. City Council receive and enter in the minutes for information.

By Mrs. Jenkins-Husband, Seconded by Council Members Cappabianca, González, Horan-Kunco, Jones, Schember and Thompson, Resolved, etc.,

That the month of March is recognized as "**Women's History Month**". The History of American Women is an expansive story of outstanding individuals who sacrificed much and worked hard in pursuit of a better world where peace and opportunity can reign. The spirit of determination that has shaped and continues to shape our Nation. Women contribute their time, efforts and wisdom in vastly diverse ways to improve and enhance our government, families, community, schools, businesses, education, arts and science. On this observance of Women's History Month I encourage every citizen to learn more about these important contributions and to celebrate their noble work to build a brighter future for our Nation and for all of the world's people. I encourage everyone to observe this month with appropriate programs and ceremonial activities.

March 7, 2007. City Council adopt by yeas Council Members Cappabianca, Horan-Kunco, Jones, Schember, Thompson and Jenkins-Husband. 6. Nays. 0.

March 7, 2007. Signed by the President. Attested by the City Clerk.

By Mrs. Jenkins-Husband, Seconded by Mr. Thompson, Resolved, etc.,

That our County Court Officials and the County Administration are respectfully requested to review the feasibility of establishing a "**Centralized Housing Court**" and to appoint a single District Justice to oversee all housing court cases. The ability for the Bureau of Code Enforcement to effectively enforce codes require strong Judicial backing in a centralized independent housing court, and further allows for one magistrate to hear all Housing Court cases which will ensure that repeat offenders that cross magisterial districts are more easily tracked and identified.

March 7, 2007. City Council adopt by yes Council Members Cappabianca, Horan-Kunco, Jones, Schember, Thompson and Jenkins-Husband. 6. Nays. 0.

March 7, 2007. Signed by the President. Attested by the City Clerk.

To Whom It May Concern:

At this time I would like to submit my resignation from the City of Erie Stationary Engineer Board. It has been a pleasure to serve with such fine and knowledgeable people.

Respectfully,
s/ James E. Lasher

To the Members of Erie City Council:

My name is James D. Held, Jr. and I am writing to request appointment to the vacant seat on the Stationary Engineers License Examination Board.

I am employed at Erie Coke Corporation. As a boiler engineer in the power department for 7 years. Prior to that I served in the United States Navy for 4 years as a boiler room supervisor.

I currently hold a City of Erie Chief Engineers License for the past 3 years. Thank you for your consideration in this vacancy.

Sincerely,
s/ James D. Held, Jr.
9 Smedly Street, North East, Pa. 16428

By Mr. Jones, Seconded by Mrs. Horan-Kunco, Resolved, etc.,

That **James D. Held, Jr.** 9 Smedly Street, North East, Pa., 16428, is appointed to the vacant seat on the Stationary Engineers License Examination Board for a two year term expiring December 31, 2008.

March 7, 2007. City Council adopt by yeas Council Members Cappabianca, Horan-Kunco, Jones, Schember, Thompson and Jenkins-Husband. 6. Nays. 0.

March 7, 2007. Signed by the President. Attested by the City Clerk.

By Mr. Thompson, Seconded by Mr. Schember, Resolved, etc.,

That the proper officials of the City Administration are respectfully requested to study the feasibility of updating the provisions of Article 512 of the Codified Ordinances (**Snow Emergency**) by providing the Bureau of Police additional powers and duties in the enforcement and removal of "snow birds", automobiles that have not been moved to an off-street parking area or previously plowed street within twenty-four hours from the start of city snow plowing operations and increase the penalty for violation of this article from \$10.00 to \$25.00 as per Ordinance #75-1971 and Ordinance #6-2005.

March 7 2007. City Council adopt by yeas Council Members Cappabianca, Horan-Kunco, Jones, Schember, Thompson and Jenkins-Husband. 6. Nays. 0.

March 7, 2007. Signed by the President. Attested by the City Clerk.

By Mr. Thompson Seconded by Mr. Schember, Resolved, etc.,

WHEREAS, the City Council of the City of Erie desires to enter into a **Sister City** relationship with **Dungarvan, County Waterford, Ireland**, to meet the requirements of Sister City International, to foster friendship and goodwill and agree to collaborate for the mutual benefit of our communities by exploring educational, economic and cultural opportunities, so

THEREFORE, Be It Resolved by the Council of the City of Erie that the proper officials of the City Administration are hereby authorized and directed to execute the necessary documents to effectuate the same.

March 7, 2007. City Council adopt by yeas Council Members Cappabianca, Horan-Kunco, Jones, Schember, Thompson and Jenkins-Husband. 6. Nays. 0.

March 7, 2007. Signed by the President. Attested by the City Clerk.

By Mr. Thompson, Seconded by Mr. Schember, Resolved, etc.,

That the proper City officials are authorized and directed to execute a contract between the City of Erie and **Zanotti Motor Co., Inc.**, 170 Pittsburgh Road, Butler, Pa. for the leasing of sixty (60) used electric (48 volt) golf carts for Downing Golf Course and ten (10) used gas golf Carts for J.C. Martin Golf Course for a term of three years at an annual rate of \$36,675.00.

Other bid received: G. C. Supply, Inc. \$50,850/year

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By Mr. Thompson, Seconded by Mr. Jones, Resolved, etc.,

That to execute an agreement between the City of Erie and **Renick Brothers Mechanical Contractors**, 434 Grove City Road, P. O. Box 94, Slippery Rock, Pa., for Equipment for the HVAC System in the Municipal Building, 626 State Street, for the sum of \$3,501.57.

March 7, 2007. City Council adopt by yeas Council Members Cappabianca, Horan-Kunco, Jones, Schember, Thompson and Jenkins-Husband. 6. Nays. 0.

March 7, 2007. Signed by the President. Attested by the City Clerk.

March 7, 2007. City Council on motion of Mr. Thompson, Seconded by Mr. Schember, adjourned at 10:45 a.m. by yeas Council Members Cappabianca, Horan-Kunco, Jones, Schember, Thompson and Jenkins-Husband. 6. Nays. 0.

Attest:

President of City Council

City Clerk