

This Regular Meeting of Council was called to order on Monday, January 27, 2020 at 7:58 p.m. by John Ruediger, Council President.

PRESENT: Jon Hannan, Mike Lampa, Justin Ring, Chuck Kocisko, Julie Field, Jennifer Wagner, John Ruediger

ABSENT: None.

ALSO PRESENT: Glenn Broska, Mayor
Frank Beni, Law Director
Darin Powers, Police Chief
Rob Reinholz, Fire Chief
Jenny Esarey, Finance Director
Bill Miller, Service Director
John Cieszkowski, Planning Director
Patrick O'Malia, Economic Development Director
Greg Mytinger, Parks and Recreation Director
Shawna Lockhart-Reese, HR Manager
Missy Procop, Mayor's Administrative Assistant
Caroline Kremer, Clerk of Council

Disposition of Minutes

MOTION: TO ACCEPT THE REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES OF JANUARY 13, 2020 AS PRESENTED.

Moved by Mrs. Field, seconded by Mr. Ring. Upon voice vote, **motion carried.**

Citizens' Comments

None.

Reports/Communications from Dept/Boards/Commissions

Ms. Esarey reported that the 2019 audit started today; it would be a long process. She noted that the Council Members would probably get a fraud questionnaire or some other questions at some point in this process.

Chief Reinholz reviewed the written report regarding the Fire Department's activities over the last few weeks including calls, training, fire prevention, public safety education programs, and training on the new MARCS radios [see attached.] He had also provided a chart of social media safety education pieces offered through the website throughout the year.

Mr. Mytinger said the first PRCAC meeting of the year would be tomorrow night and the group would discuss the Hometown Hero Banner program, and then he would bring their decision to Council after that.

Chief Powers said the Police Department Annual Report had been distributed to the Council Members. He reported that on Wednesday night, January 29, 2020, Officer Matt Plesz would be on the *Live PD Presents: PD Cam* show on A&E Network which would feature the water rescue incident at Tinkers Creek from last year with the body camera footage.

Introduction of Legislation Containing Statement of Emergency

T-6759 Go to Bid for Seasons Road Drainage Improvements was not forwarded from tonight's Finance Committee Meeting.

T-6773 A RESOLUTION ACCEPTING A DONATION OF AUDIO-VIDEO EQUIPMENT FROM COUNCILMAN JON HANNAN FOR USE BY THE CITY OF STREETSBORO CITY COUNCIL EXPRESSING THE APPRECIATION OF THE COMMUNITY; AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY TO EXPEDITE ACCEPTANCE OF THE DONATION.

The Clerk read by title as directed.

MOTION: TO SUSPEND THE RULES.

Moved by Mrs. Field, seconded by Mr. Ring. Upon roll call, **motion carried 6-0 with Mr. Hannan recusing himself from the vote.**

MOTION: TO ADOPT RESOLUTION NO. 2020-08.

Moved by Mrs. Field, seconded by Mr. Ring. Upon roll call, **motion carried 6-0 with Mr. Hannan recusing himself from the vote.**

T-6777 AN ORDINANCE ACCEPTING THE DEDICATION OF CERTAIN STREETS IN MEADOW VIEW SUBDIVISION FOR PUBLIC USE, AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

The Clerk read by title as directed.

MOTION: TO SUSPEND THE RULES.

Moved by Mr. Ring, seconded by Mrs. Field. Upon roll call, **motion carried unanimously.**

MOTION: TO ADOPT ORDINANCE NO. 2020-09.

Moved by Mr. Hannan, seconded by Mrs. Field. Upon roll call, **motion carried unanimously.**

T-6778 AN ORDINANCE AMENDING ORDINANCE NO. 2019-168, THE 2020 ANNUAL APPROPRIATION ORDINANCE. [#1]

The Clerk read by title as directed.

MOTION: TO SUSPEND THE RULES.

Moved by Mr. Ring, seconded by Mrs. Field. Upon roll call, **motion carried unanimously.**

MOTION: TO ADOPT ORDINANCE NO. 2020-10.

Moved by Mr. Ring, seconded by Mrs. Field. Upon roll call, **motion carried unanimously.**

T-6779 A RESOLUTION ACCEPTING A DONATION OF TWO HUNDRED DOLLARS (\$200.00) FROM ROBERT WILLIAMS AND HIS KUK SOOL WON CLASS AND FIFTY DOLLARS (\$50.00) FROM JANET STRAIN FOR USE BY THE PARKS AND RECREATION DEPARTMENT FOR THE PURPOSE

OF PROVIDING PROGRAMMING FOR THE PARTICIPANTS AT THE STREETSBORO SENIOR CENTER; AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY TO EXPEDITE THE RECEIPT OF THE DONATION.

The Clerk read by title as directed.

MOTION: TO SUSPEND THE RULES.

Moved by Mrs. Field, seconded by Mr. Ring. Upon roll call, **motion carried unanimously.**

MOTION: TO ADOPT RESOLUTION NO. 2020-11.

Moved by Mr. Hannan, seconded by Mrs. Field. Upon roll call, **motion carried unanimously.**

T-6780 AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO ENTER INTO AN AGREEMENT WITH THE STATE OF OHIO IN ORDER TO OBTAIN GRANT FUNDING UNDER THE NATUREWORKS LOCAL GRANT PROGRAM FOR THE CONSTRUCTION OF TWO (2) OUTDOOR ASPHALT BASKETBALL COURTS AT CITY PARK, AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY TO COMPLETE THE PROJECT WITHIN THE PROJECT PERIOD.

The Clerk read by title as directed.

MOTION: TO SUSPEND THE RULES.

Moved by Mrs. Field, seconded by Mr. Ring. Upon roll call, **motion carried unanimously.**

MOTION: TO ADOPT ORDINANCE NO. 2020-12.

Moved by Mr. Ring, seconded by Mrs. Field. Upon roll call, **motion carried unanimously.**

T-6781 AN ORDINANCE ACCEPTING A GRANT FROM THE STATE OF OHIO, DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SAFETY, TO SUPPORT THE CITY'S EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES PARTS AND SUPPLIES EXPENSES, AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY IN ORDER TO EXPEDITE THE AVAILABILITY OF FUNDS.

The Clerk read by title as directed.

MOTION: TO SUSPEND THE RULES.

Moved by Mr. Ring, seconded by Mrs. Field. Upon roll call, **motion carried unanimously.**

MOTION: TO ADOPT ORDINANCE NO. 2020-13.

Moved by Mr. Lampa, seconded by Mrs. Field. Upon roll call, **motion carried unanimously.**

T-6782 AN ORDINANCE AMENDING SECTION 1 OF ORDINANCE NO. 2019-148 AUTHORIZING THE

MAYOR TO ENTER INTO A CONTRACT WITHOUT COMPETITIVE BIDDING WITH LAMPION COMPANIES FOR THE INSTALLATION OF NEW LIGHT POLES AND LED LUMINARIES AT VARIOUS LOCATIONS IN THE CITY, AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY IN ORDER TO PROVIDE FOR PUBLIC SAFETY.

The Clerk read by title as directed.

MOTION: TO SUSPEND THE RULES.

Moved by Mr. Ring, seconded by Mrs. Field. Upon roll call, **motion carried unanimously.**

MOTION: TO ADOPT ORDINANCE NO. 2020-14.

Moved by Mr. Hannan, seconded by Mr. Ring. Upon roll call, **motion carried unanimously.**

T-6783 AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO ENTER INTO A CONTRACT WITHOUT COMPETITIVE BIDDING WITH VASU COMMUNICATIONS, INC. FOR THE PURCHASE, INSTALLATION AND LICENSING OF NOT TO EXCEED SIX (6) VIKING VP5430 PORTABLE RADIOS AND ACCESSORIES, FOR USE BY THE WATER DEPARTMENT, AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY IN ORDER TO TIMELY ACCEPT A TIME-SENSITIVE PROPOSAL.

The Clerk read by title as directed.

MOTION: TO SUSPEND THE RULES.

Moved by Mr. Lampa, seconded by Mr. Ring. Upon roll call, **motion carried unanimously.**

MOTION: TO ADOPT ORDINANCE NO. 2020-15.

Moved by Mr. Lampa, seconded by Mr. Hannan. Upon roll call, **motion carried unanimously.**

T-6784 AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO ENTER INTO A CONTRACT WITHOUT COMPETITIVE BIDDING WITH VASU COMMUNICATIONS, INC. FOR THE PURCHASE, INSTALLATION AND LICENSING OF NOT TO EXCEED SEVENTEEN (17) VIKING VP5430 PORTABLE RADIOS AND ACCESSORIES, FOR USE BY THE SERVICE DEPARTMENT, AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY IN ORDER TO TIMELY ACCEPT A TIME-SENSITIVE PROPOSAL.

The Clerk read by title as directed.

MOTION: TO SUSPEND THE RULES.

Moved by Mr. Lampa, seconded by Mrs. Field. Upon roll call, **motion carried unanimously.**

MOTION: TO ADOPT ORDINANCE NO. 2020-16.

Moved by Mr. Hannan, seconded by Mrs. Field. Upon roll call, **motion carried unanimously**

T-6785 AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO ENTER INTO A CONTRACT WITH THOMPSON REUTERS D/B/A WEST PUBLISHING CORPORATION TO UTILIZE THE CITIZEN LAW ENFORCEMENT ANALYSIS AND REPORTING SYSTEM (CLEAR) FOR THE POLICE DEPARTMENT AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY IN ORDER TO PROVIDE FOR PUBLIC SAFETY.

The Clerk read by title as directed.

MOTION: TO SUSPEND THE RULES.

Moved by Mrs. Field, seconded by Mr. Ring. Upon roll call, **motion carried unanimously.**

MOTION: TO ADOPT ORDINANCE NO. 2020-17.

Moved by Mrs. Field, seconded by Mr. Ring. Upon roll call, **motion carried unanimously.**

T-6786 AN ORDINANCE AMENDING SECTION 1 OF ORDINANCE NO. 2019-163 AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO ENTER INTO A CONTRACT WITHOUT COMPETITIVE BIDDING WITH GLAUS, PYLE, SCHOMER, BURNS & DEHAVEN, INC. dba GPD GROUP TO PROVIDE THE CITY'S REQUIREMENTS FOR PROFESSIONAL ENGINEERING SERVICES DURING 2020; AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY IN ORDER TO MAINTAIN CONTINUITY OF SERVICES.

The Clerk read by title as directed.

MOTION: TO SUSPEND THE RULES.

Moved by Mr. Lampa, seconded by Mrs. Field. Upon roll call, **motion carried unanimously.**

MOTION: TO ADOPT ORDINANCE NO. 2020-18.

Moved by Mr. Lampa, seconded by Mrs. Field. Upon roll call, **motion carried 6-1 with Mr. Ruediger voting No.**

T-6787 AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO ACCEPT THE QUOTE OF AND ENTER INTO AN AGREEMENT WITH RKS MANAGEMENT, INC. TO PROVIDE CLEANING SERVICES TO CITY BUILDINGS; AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY IN ORDER TO EXPEDITE THE AGREEMENT AND PREVENT A LAPSE IN SERVICE.

The Clerk read by title as directed.

MOTION: TO SUSPEND THE RULES.

Moved by Mr. Lampa, seconded by Mr. Ring. Upon roll call, **motion carried unanimously.**

MOTION: TO ADOPT ORDINANCE NO. 2020-19.

Moved by Mr. Lampa, seconded by Mrs. Field. Upon roll call, **motion carried unanimously.**

First Reading

None.

Second Reading

T-6776

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING SECTIONS 1103.02, 1132.02, 1137.02, AND 1155.02 OF TITLES ONE, THREE AND FIVE, PART ELEVEN (PLANNING AND ZONING CODE) OF THE CODIFIED ORDINANCES, RELATING TO REGULATION OF MOTOR VEHICLE RENTAL AGENCIES.

The Clerk read by title as directed for second reading.

Third Reading

None.

Mayor's Report

Mayor Broska introduced Todd Mitchell who had faithfully, honestly and impartially served on the Civil Service Commission for about 10 years and his term had ended last month. Mayor Broska said over the last decade the Civil Service Commission had been the best Civil Service Commission the City ever had. Mayor Broska wanted to reappoint Mr. Mitchell to the Civil Service Commission for another 6 year term. There was another vacancy on the Civil Service Commission that would need to be filled.

Mr. Ruediger said Mr. Mitchell had been in law enforcement for several years and he supported this appointment.

Mr. Mitchell commented that he appreciated the opportunity to serve the City. He had been on the Civil Service Commission for about 10 years during some ups and downs, but it had gotten better. He was a special agent with the Department of Veteran Affairs which required him to travel around the country doing investigations, and he was a commissioned police officer for University Circle, therefore he was familiar with laws and Civil Service procedures.

Mayor Broska explained that the Civil Service Commission administered testing for civil service positions for the Police and Fire Departments for initial hires and for promotions. The Commission also provided oversight to ensure fair hiring practices and to make sure the laws and ordinances were followed so public employees were treated fairly.

Mr. Kocisko mentioned he was on the Civil Service Commission back in 2003 and it was poorly run and he even had to find a used computer for them to use. He said the laws were intricate and the technicalities needed experienced people to administer them.

MOTION: TO CONFIRM THE MAYOR'S APPOINTMENT OF TODD MITCHELL TO THE CIVIL SERVICE COMMISSION.

Moved by Mr. Ring, seconded by Mrs. Field. Upon voice vote, **motion carried.**

Mayor Broska mentioned that Mrs. Field's photo had been installed on the wall at Dean Caputo's Powerhouse Gym which opened this past Saturday.

President of Council's Comments

Mr. Ruediger thanked Mr. Lampa for mentioning the International Holocaust Remembrance Day at the opening of tonight's meetings. Mr. Ruediger reminded the Council Members to let him and/or Mrs. Kremer know about any Council Meeting days they may miss because of summer vacations or other commitments. Mr. Ruediger said he would miss the February 24, 2020 Council Meeting due to a work obligation. He reminded everyone the Super Bowl was Sunday, February 2, 2020.

Mr. Ruediger mentioned that City Council needed to make two appointments to the Community Reinvestment Area (CRA) Housing Council and Mr. Hannan had collected about 7 names from a Facebook post he did when he was Council President last year. Mr. Hannan had asked the first two respondents (Mary Kay Reynolds and Chris Yonish) to attend tonight so that City Council may appoint them to the CRA Housing Council; Mr. Hannan thanked them for being willing to serve their community. He had passed the other names on to the Clerk because the CRA Housing Council would need to appoint two members to the CRA Housing Council also.

Mayor Broska clarified for these applicants what the CRA Housing Council did. The CRA Housing Council met once a year to review property tax abatements that had been granted to make sure the properties had been maintained and were still eligible for the abatement. Property tax abatements were usually not granted to retail or residential properties, but if there were properties within the CRA district that had made improvements to increase the property value, then they could apply to get an abatement on the amount of the increased property tax. No one had taken advantage of this tax abatement yet, but the Mayor and Economic Development Director offered it to anyone they met with that might be eligible. The program was started/expanded a few years ago when Rob Peters was with the City and it was heavily promoted at that time, but there had not been an opportunity to utilize it yet. The CRA district covered most of the older commercial area.

Mr. O'Malia added that having a CRA Housing Council was a legal requirement for a municipality that had a CRA Housing District. The CRA was the most flexible tool that the Ohio Revised Code allowed because it could be used for industrial, residential, and retail. He noted that an applicant would have to come to the CRA Housing District Manager in the City to request an abatement before making any improvements. Like most tax incentives the one making the improvements wouldn't make the improvements unless they could get the incentive. The amount of the tax abatement was set in the ordinance that created the CRA District, and there were two, one from the 1980s and one from 2016.

Mary Kay Reynolds wondered if the Building Department would mention this tax incentive to people that applied for building permits for qualifying additions, not just replacing a roof or remodeling a kitchen. Mr. Ruediger said those people wouldn't really qualify because they were already planning on doing it without an incentive. Mr. O'Malia noted that the best use of this tool was for business type activities and the abatement was granted for a limited time and after that term the City would be collecting the full increased property tax amount.

MOTION: TO APPOINT CHRIS YONISH AND MARY KAY REYNOLDS TO THE CRA HOUSING COUNCIL.

Moved by Mr. Hannan, seconded by Mr. Kocisko. Upon voice vote, **motion carried.**

Council Members' Comments

Mr. Kocisko mentioned a successful business in town (Dunkin' Donuts) that was able to start with a City granted Revolving Loan, which was another type of economic development financing tool.

Mr. Lampa mentioned this week was Restaurant Week in Streetsboro until February 1, 2020 with 3 or 4 restaurants participating with 15% discounts or free dessert. Mr. Kocisko said Lisa Wild of the Visitor and Convention Bureau organized this new Restaurant Week program. Mr. Lampa also mentioned that Mayor Broska would do the State of the City address at the Chamber Luncheon on February 12, 2020 from 11:30 to 1:30 at the Eagles Club.

Mr. Ring commented that he felt there were too many emergency items on the Council agenda; not everything was an emergency and a lot of the things could go through three readings if the departments would plan ahead better to reduce the amount of emergency legislation.

Announcements

There will be a Public Hearing-Zoning Text Amendments for Car Rental Agencies, a Safety Committee, a Service Committee and a Regular Council Meeting on Monday, February 10, 2020 starting at 7:00 p.m. in Council Chambers.

City Hall will be CLOSED Monday, February 17, 2020 for President's Day.

There being no further business to come before this Council, and upon motion by Mr. Hannan, seconded by Mr. Ring, this meeting adjourned at 8:42 p.m.

ATTEST:

Caroline L. Kremer, Clerk of Council

John Ruediger, Council President