

This Regular Meeting of Council was called to order on Monday, August 10, 2020 at 10:27 p.m. p.m. by John Ruediger, Council President.

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

ABSENT: None.

ALSO PRESENT: Glenn Broska, Mayor
Frank Beni, Law Director
Caroline Kremer, Clerk of Council
[by Zoom video conferencing:]
Troy Beaver, Interim Police Chief
Rob Reinholz, Fire Chief
Jenny Esarey, Finance Director
Bill Miller, Service Director
Joe Ciuni, City Engineer
John Cieszkowski, Planning Director
Patrick O'Malia, Economic Development Director
Greg Mytinger, Parks and Recreation Director
Sara Fagnilli, Assistant Law Director

Disposition of Minutes

MOTION: TO ACCEPT THE REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES OF MAY 18, 2020, JUNE 22, 2020 AND JULY 13, 2020 AS PRESENTED.

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

Citizens' Comments

None.

Reports/Communications from Depts/Boards/Commissions

Chief Reinholz reported the Fire Department was awarded a federal FEMA grant for \$221,000. There was a 5% match of \$11,000. He planned to bring legislation to the August 24, 2020 Finance and Council meetings for approval. He said Lt. Eric Moss worked very hard on this significant grant that would be used for the purchase of self-contained breathing apparatus (SCBA) for the firefighters.

Chief Reinholz also reported that the department activity report had been distributed. There had been 2 fires (one with some pet fatalities) and a HAZMAT scene due to a spill of a load of batteries on the Turnpike. He said the new fire station was moving along. There were weekly meetings on Thursdays at 8 a.m. with GPD, the construction team, the Mayor and the Fire Chief. These meetings over Zoom went over the construction progress and the unforeseen items that added to the cost as well as the items that saved money like combining HVAC units from the same company. Chief Reinholz and the Mayor invited the Council Members to attend some meetings by Zoom and be a part of this significant project. There would be a synopsis prepared from each Thursday morning meeting that could be shared with Council. This station was a \$5 million investment and they were all working to save taxpayer money and still get what was needed for the City. Council Members requested the Zoom information to join the meetings.

Executive Session

MOTION: TO RECESS INTO EXECUTIVE SESSION TO CONSIDER ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT PACKAGE AND PENDING LITIGATION.

Moved by Mr. Ring, seconded by Mrs. Field. Upon roll call, **motion carried unanimously and the meeting recessed at 10:33 p.m.**

MOTION: TO RECONVENE FROM EXECUTIVE SESSION.

Moved by Mr. Ring, seconded by Mr. Field. Upon voice vote, **motion carried and the meeting reconvened at 11:07 p.m.**

Introduction of Legislation Containing Statement of Emergency

T-6866 AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO ENTER INTO A CONTRACT WITHOUT COMPETITIVE BIDDING WITH BAIR'S POLARIS DBA BAIR'S POWERSPORTS FOR THE PURCHASE OF A VEHICLE FOR USE BY THE PARKS AND RECREATION DEPARTMENT, AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY IN ORDER TO EXPEDITE THE PURCHASE.

Clerk read by title as directed.

MOTION: TO SUSPEND THE RULES.

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

MOTION: TO ADOPT ORDINANCE NO. 2020-97.

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

T-6871 AN ORDINANCE ACCEPTING A DRUG USE PREVENTION PROGRAM GRANT FROM THE OHIO ATTORNEY GENERAL FOR THE 2020-2021 PROGRAM YEAR, AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY IN ORDER TO EXPEDITE THE AVAILABILITY OF THE GRANT FUNDS.

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. 2020-98.

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

T-6872 AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO ENTER INTO CONTRACT WITH THE PORTAGE COUNTY COMBINED GENERAL HEALTH DISTRICT IN ORDER TO OBTAIN THE CITY'S REQUIREMENTS FOR INSPECTION AND TESTING OF STORM SEWER OUTFALL LOCATIONS WITHIN THE CITY OF STREETSBORO FROM THE DATE OF EXECUTION OF THE CONTRACT THROUGH DECEMBER 31, 2024, AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY IN ORDER TO COMMENCE THE CONTRACT SERVICES AS SOON

AS POSSIBLE.

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. 2020-99.

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

First Reading

None.

Second Reading

T-6869

AN ORDINANCE ENACTING NEW CHAPTER 377 OF TITLE NINE, PART THREE OF THE CODIFIED ORDINANCES OF THE CITY OF STREETSBORO TO SET FORTH GOLF CART INSPECTION PROCEDURES AND PERMITTING THE USE OF GOLF CARTS ON CITY STREETS.

Mrs. Field asked if all the items mentioned at the previous meeting had been included in this amended version. Mr. Ring went over the changes: a \$50 inspection fee was added in 377.02(b), Page Road and SR 303 were specifically excluded in 377.04, now it only mentions safety glass, and a typo was changed from “gold” to “golf.” Mr. Beni said this language was similar to six other communities that allowed golf carts on the roads.

There were some questions regarding the inspection and if it was required annually. Mayor Broska felt \$50 was not an adequate inspection fee and should be increased to cover the cost of inspections by an officer at the Police Station on overtime (minimum 3 hr show up time) because he didn’t want an on-duty officer taken off the road to do golf cart inspections so the inspections may need to be done on Saturdays and Sundays. Ms. Wagner explained how Twinsburg did child car seat inspections by appointment and said that was an option for Streetsboro. She agreed the inspections should be done at the station where the officer had cameras and assistance if something were to happen, but there was a question on how people would get their un-inspected golf carts to the station. Mayor Broska mentioned that anyone with infants in the golf cart would need to use child car seats too. There was some more discussion on arranging the inspections by the Police Department whether by appointment, a couple days a month, etc. Mr. Ring thought it should be left up to the Police Chief to determine how to arrange to get the inspections done. Chief Beaver suggested having a detective or the SRO do the golf cart inspections by appointment since there was no certification required to do the inspections.

Before Council might pass this ordinance Chief Beaver wanted to reiterate his safety concerns with a golf cart being allowed on the roadways. He said a frequent complaint from residential neighborhoods was the speeders, so to add a slow moving vehicle to the same location was dangerous. Even with all the safety precautions that had been added to this ordinance, there was very little protection for someone in a golf cart if it were to be hit by a motor vehicle. Even though there may be some more protection in a golf cart than a bicycle, the slow moving vehicle that would take an entire lane of travel was different than a bicycle, moped or motorcycle that could be off to the side of the road which cars would be more able to maneuver around than a golf cart in the traffic lane that could be more dangerous to be passed.

MOTION: TO AMEND T-6869 TO REQUIRE AN ANNUAL INSPECTION FEE OF \$100.

Moved by Mr. Ring, seconded by Mrs. Field. Mayor Broska mentioned that inspection stickers would be needed too. Upon voice vote, **motion carried with Mr. Kocisko opposing the motion.**

MOTION: TO ALSO ADOPT THE AMENDMENTS PRESENTED IN THE VERSION OF T-6869 PRESENTED TONIGHT AND LISTED EARLIER.

Moved by Mr. Ring, seconded by Mr. Lampa. Upon voice vote, **motion carried with Mr. Kocisko opposing the motion.**

Mr. Ring suggested another amendment to section 377.02(b) to add language stating an inspection sticker will be issued by the City and shall be displayed on the golf cart, but that could be done at third reading.

Clerk read T-6869 by title as directed for second reading as amended.

T-6870 AN ORDINANCE RATIFYING THE COMMUNITY REINVESTMENT AREA AGREEMENT WITH GEIS STREETSBORO 43 NORTH, LLC AUTHORIZING AND DIRECTING THE MAYOR TO EXECUTE THE COMMUNITY REINVESTMENT AREA AGREEMENT SUBSTANTIALLY IN THE FORM ATTACHED TO THIS ORDINANCE AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY TO EXPEDITE THIS ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT OPPORTUNITY.

Clerk read by title as directed for second reading.

Third Reading

None.

Mayor's Report

Mayor Broska said he wanted to keep Council up to date regarding the progress on the new fire station and all the pluses and minuses for the contingency, so he invited up to 3 Council Members to attend the Thursday morning fire station meetings and he would provide the synopsis of the meetings to all the Council Members.

The signalization project was nearing completion. There had been an issue with some striping at the main intersection which would be redone. Mayor Broska said people were already adjusting to the new lanes and signals. He asked that anyone that found issues with the system contact the Mayor so it could be handled by the correct people. Once the signalization construction was completed there would still be six month for the system to learn the traffic before it was truly complete.

Mr. Kocisko mentioned an issue in the new traffic pattern at SR 43 going south at SR 14. There was no longer a right turn lane and anyone wanting to go right had to wait until the people going straight south had moved out of the way. Mayor Broska said there would be signage added for those lanes.

President of Council's Comments

None.

Council Members' Comments

Mr. Lampa expressed condolences to the Weinandy family. Susan Weinandy, who was a generous member of the community and always volunteered her time for community projects, had passed away on Tuesday, August 4, 2020.

Announcements

There will be a Finance Committee and a Regular Council Meeting on Monday, August 24, 2020 starting at 7:00 in Council Chambers.

There being no further business to come before this Council, and upon motion by Mr. Ring, seconded by Mrs. Field, this meeting adjourned at 11:35 p.m.

ATTEST:

Caroline L. Kremer, Clerk of Council

John Ruediger Council President