

This Regular Meeting of Council was called to order on Monday, January 11, 2021 at 7:31 p.m. by Jon Hannan, Council President.

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

ABSENT: None.

ALSO PRESENT: Frank Beni, Law Director
Caroline Kremer, Clerk of Council
[by Zoom video conferencing:]
Justin Ring, Council Member
Glenn Broska, Mayor
Tricia Wain, Police Chief
Rob Reinholz, Fire Chief
Jenny Esarey, Finance Director
Bill Miller, Service Director
Matt Glass, GPD Group
John Cieszkowski, Planning Director
Patrick O'Malia, Economic Development Director
Greg Mytinger, Parks and Recreation Director
Sara Fagnilli, Assistant Law Director/Prosecutor
Shawna Lockhart-Reese, HR Manager
Melissa Procop, Mayor's Executive Assistant

Disposition of Minutes

MOTION: TO ACCEPT THE REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES OF DECEMBER 28, 2020 AS PRESENTED.

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

Citizens' Comments

None.

Reports/Communications from Depts/Boards/Commissions

Chief Reinholz reported the Mayor swore in a part-timer today to join the Department. The Department was scheduled for the second COVID-19 vaccination in a couple weeks. Captain Grimm had distributed the social media calendar to Council with the list of seasonal educational items for 2021. The weekly run activities list was distributed. The yearly property loss was recorded at \$110,000, but the property saved was worth about \$831,000, so about 12% loss.

The Department was less busy in 2020 (by 50 calls) because when COVID-19 first started everyone stayed home and the run volume went down, people weren't calling for the Fire Department. Now in 2021 the run volume was up again; Chief Reinholz said he went on a COVID-19 call with respiratory problems today and yesterday.

Mr. Ring commented that he had called for the squad for himself about a week ago and felt he received a fantastic response; the guys were extremely professional and made him feel like he was in good hands, which he appreciated. He thanked the whole team for the positive experience in a scary situation.

Chief Reinholz said the new fire station was moving along. The opening date was scheduled for approximately April 17, 2021, but may be delayed slightly if the weather didn't warm up to

at least 50° to finish the outside coating on the building. Hammond Construction was planning a ribbon cutting ceremony.

Mr. Lampa asked when/how the local senior citizens could get the COVID-19 vaccine. Chief Reinholz said the Portage County Health Department had been administering the vaccine to the health professionals, but the communities were trying to convince the County to include the Police Departments as an essential service. The County was working on distributing the second dose. Once that was done the local EMS had already been trained how to give the shots but would need to make arrangements to keep the vaccine cold and could set things up to distribute the shots to seniors. The drug stores/CVS were taking care of the nursing homes. The Fire Department would communicate the situation to the public on their websites regarding vaccines for the senior citizens.

Mr. Miller announced the water bills had been mailed out today. The water meters were read on December 31, 2020, but the system didn't record the data, so the water meters were reread on January 4, 2021 and mailed today (January 11). He asked the Council Members to let him know when they received their bills because there had been issues/delays with the postal system in the past. He expected the postal service in Kent to do the bulk mail the same as last time and the bills should arrive to the customers in 2-3 days. The water customers will now be able to pay online if they want to.

Chief Wain mentioned that Josh Bartholomew was honored tonight with the CIT Officer of the Year Award in a virtual award ceremony, which was a great recognition for all the extra work he had put in in the mental health field. She said the Department would be back up to full staffing in about two weeks with a new officer (with about 15 year of experience) to be sworn in. As Chief Reinholz had said, the police departments had been bumped out of the prioritized vaccination list, so the police department would have to continue using the extra protocols they had been using in dealing with the public to keep the officers as safe and healthy as possible. Mr. Hannan suggested also recognizing and congratulating Officer Bartholomew at a future Council Meeting.

Introduction of Legislation Containing Statement of Emergency

T-6971

AN ORDINANCE PROVIDING FOR THE ISSUANCE AND SALE OF BONDS IN THE MAXIMUM PRINCIPAL AMOUNT OF \$815,000 FOR THE PURPOSE OF PAYING COSTS OF CONSTRUCTING, EQUIPPING, FURNISHING AND OTHERWISE IMPROVING A NEW MUNICIPAL SERVICE GARAGE AND IMPROVING THE SITE THEREOF, TOGETHER WITH THE NECESSARY APPURTENANCES THERETO AND SUCH OTHER COSTS OF THOSE IMPROVEMENTS AS ARE PERMITTED BY REVISED CODE SECTION 133.15 TO BE FUNDED FROM THE PROCEEDS OF SECURITIES, AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY TO ENABLE THE CITY TO RETIRE THE OUTSTANDING NOTES AND THEREBY PRESERVE ITS CREDIT.

Clerk read by title as directed.

MOTION: TO SUSPEND THE RULES.

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

MOTION: TO ADOPT ORDINANCE NO. 2021-01.

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

T-6972 AN ORDINANCE PROVIDING FOR THE ISSUANCE AND SALE OF BONDS IN THE MAXIMUM PRINCIPAL AMOUNT OF \$5,440,000 FOR THE PURPOSE OF PAYING COSTS OF CONSTRUCTING, EQUIPPING, FURNISHING AND OTHERWISE IMPROVING A NEW MUNICIPAL FIRE STATION AND IMPROVING THE SITE THEREOF, TOGETHER WITH THE NECESSARY APPURTENANCES THERETO AND SUCH OTHER COSTS OF THOSE IMPROVEMENTS AS ARE PERMITTED BY REVISED CODE SECTION 133.15 TO BE FUNDED FROM THE PROCEEDS OF SECURITIES, AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY TO ENABLE THE CITY TO RETIRE THE OUTSTANDING NOTES AND THEREBY PRESERVE ITS CREDIT.

Clerk read by title as directed.

MOTION: TO SUSPEND THE RULES.

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

MOTION: TO ADOPT ORDINANCE NO. 2021-02.

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

T-6973 AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO ENTER INTO A CONTRACT WITHOUT COMPETITIVE BIDDING WITH CREATIVE MICROSYSTEMS, INC. dba CMI FOR THE PURCHASE OF COMPUTER SERVER HARDWARE AND SOFTWARE MAINTENANCE SERVICES FOR THE FINANCE AND WATER DEPARTMENTS DURING 2021, 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. Ruediger, seconded by Mr. Lampa. Upon roll call, **motion carried unanimously.**

MOTION: TO ADOPT ORDINANCE NO. 2021-03.

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

T-6974 AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO ENTER INTO A CONTRACT WITHOUT COMPETITIVE BIDDING WITH HALL PUBLIC SAFETY COMPANY, INC. FOR THE PURCHASE OF THE CITY'S REQUIREMENTS FOR PUBLIC SAFETY VEHICLE UPFIT EQUIPMENT MAINTENANCE, REPAIRS AND MODIFICATIONS DURING 2021; 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. Ruediger, seconded by Mrs. Field. Upon roll call, **motion carried unanimously.**

MOTION: TO ADOPT ORDINANCE NO. 2021-04.

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

T-6975 AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO ENTER INTO A CONTRACT WITHOUT COMPETITIVE BIDDING WITH SIGNAL SERVICE CO., INC. AND LAMPION COMPANIES A SUBSIDIARY OF PERRAM ELECTRIC INC. FOR THE PURCHASE OF THE CITY'S ANNUAL REQUIREMENTS FOR MAINTENANCE AND REPAIRS TO THE CITY'S TRAFFIC SIGNAL SYSTEM DURING 2021; 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. Ruediger, seconded by Mr. Lampa. Upon roll call, **motion carried unanimously.**

MOTION: TO ADOPT ORDINANCE NO. 2021-05.

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

T-6976 AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO ENTER INTO A CONTRACT WITH VERIZON WIRELESS SERVICES LLC FOR CELLULAR TELEPHONE AND WIRELESS DATA COMMUNICATIONS SERVICES FOR THE VARIOUS

DEPARTMENTS OF THE CITY DURING 2021; 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. Ruediger, seconded by Mr. Lampa. Upon roll call, **motion carried unanimously.**

MOTION: TO ADOPT ORDINANCE NO. 2021-06.

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

T-6977 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. Ruediger, seconded by Mr. Lampa. Upon roll call, **motion carried unanimously.**

MOTION: TO ADOPT ORDINANCE NO. 2021-07.

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

First Reading

None.

Second Reading

T-6967 AN ORDINANCE AMENDING SECTION 121.07 OF PART ONE, TITLE THREE (ADMINISTRATIVE CODE) OF THE CODIFIED ORDINANCES, RELATING TO COUNCIL COMPENSATION AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY TO COMPLY WITH THE CITY CHARTER REQUIREMENTS.

Clerk read by title as directed for second reading.

T-6968 AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO ENTER INTO CONTRACTS WITHOUT COMPETITIVE BIDDING WITH VARIOUS VENDORS FOR THE PURCHASE OF THE CITY'S REQUIREMENTS FOR WATER LINE REPLACEMENT AND REPAIR PARTS DURING

2021.

Clerk read by title as directed for second reading.

T-6969 AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO ENTER INTO CONTRACTS WITHOUT COMPETITIVE BIDDING WITH VARIOUS VENDORS FOR THE PURCHASE OF THE CITY'S REQUIREMENTS FOR FIRE HYDRANT REPLACEMENT AND REPAIR PARTS DURING 2021.

Clerk read by title as directed for second reading.

T-6970 AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO ENTER INTO CONTRACTS WITHOUT COMPETITIVE BIDDING WITH VARIOUS VENDORS FOR THE PURCHASE OF ASPHALT PAVING PRODUCTS AND INCIDENTAL PAVING SERVICES NECESSARY FOR THE CITY'S 2021 ASPHALT PRESERVATION PROGRAM.

Clerk read by title as directed for second reading.

Third Reading

T-6950 AN ORDINANCE AMENDING SECTIONS 1305.03 AND 149.04 OF THE CODIFIED ORDINANCES OF THE CITY OF STREETSBORO, RELATING TO BUILDING INSPECTIONS AND RELATED FEES.

Clerk read by title as directed for third reading.

MOTION: TO ADOPT ORDINANCE NO. 2021-08.

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

Mayor's Report

Mayor Broska said the final 2020 financial report had been distributed by Ms. Esarey on January 2, 2021 and showed that the City ended the year in pretty good shape. He felt some things could have been better, but he felt the City faired well compared to other neighboring towns because of our diversity in the tax paying public (manufacturing, service industry, etc.) and he was pleased. He said the City would continue to monitor its spending through 2021.

President of Council's Comments

Mr. Hannan wished Happy Birthday to Mr. Ruediger today, and congratulations to the Cleveland Browns who won the NFL Wild Card Playoff game against the Pittsburgh Steelers on Sunday. The Cleveland Browns would move on to the NFL Divisional Round against the Kansas City Chiefs next Sunday, January 17, 2021. Mr. Hannan mentioned that the last time the Browns won a playoff game he was about two months old, so he had literally waited his whole life to see this. Mr. Hannan also wished the Ohio State Buckeyes well in the 2021 College Football Playoff National Championship football game against Alabama tonight. He appreciated it was a short meeting tonight and everyone could go watch the OSU game. [OSU 24 – Alabama 52]

Council Members' Comments

All the Council Members wished Mr. Ruediger Happy Birthday and said "Go Bucks!" Mr. Ruediger thanked everyone here and online for the good wishes.

Mr. Lampa reported that he and Mr. Hannan would meet with Rachel Miller in the Parks and Recreation Department soon regarding producing a year in review newsletter for the new City website. He noted that about 700 unique people had checked out the new website; he would also check to see what pages they were viewing. He mentioned there was a subscribe button on the bottom of the new home page to subscribe to Parks and Recreation and City newsletters. The Building Department had told him they were very pleased with how many people/contractors were registering and paying online because it saved the staff so much time.

Mr. Hannan said he'd like to see a joint Mayor-Council Newsletter to get more engaged with the community. Mr. O'Malia had told him he was interested in doing a newsletter to get some businesses involved.

Mr. Kocisko said he got his first computer about 20 years ago and he was amazed at how far things had progressed with the electronic meeting packets, and how the citizens could watch the livestream You Tube videos of the Council Meetings, and the online bill pay. He thanked Mr. Hannan and Mr. Lampa for their efforts to get these things done. He was excited to see what might happen in the next 10-15 years.

Announcements

City Hall will be closed Monday, January 18, 2021 for Martin Luther King Jr. Day. There will be a Finance Committee Meeting and a Regular Council Meeting on Monday, January 25, 2021 starting at 7:00 in Council Chambers.

There being no further business to come before this Council, and upon motion by Mr. Ruediger, seconded by Mr. Lampa, this meeting adjourned at 7:57 p.m.

ATTEST:

Caroline L. Kremer, Clerk of Council

Jon Hannan, Council President