

President Steve Henderson called the meeting to order at 7:30pm on April 1, 2019 at 701 Parlette Court with the following members present: Jim Neumeier, Daniel E. Lee, Bonnie Wurst, Chad Doll, Rodney Metz, Terry Campbell and Chad Dunlap. Also present were Law Director Dennis Faller and Safety Service Director Floyd Gregg. There were 13 visitors present. Mayor Tom Stinebaugh was absent.

Received Income Tax Summary Report for Month Ending 03-31-2019.

Motion by Lee, second by Campbell to approve the minutes of the March 18, 2019 Council Meeting as submitted. Vote – 7 yeas, 0 nays.

**Lands & Buildings Committee Meeting** – a meeting was held on 03-25-2019 and the following was discussed:

Phil Downing was planning to make his consultation presentation on building incentives to the committee members but a scheduling conflict arose and his presentation will be rescheduled for Tuesday April 2<sup>nd</sup> 7:00P

Further discussion on the potential expansion of the current CRA (Committee Reinvestment Area) was discussed.

Questions from the previous meeting investigating the city of St. Marys CRA program;

1. Volume of applications issued for 2017 - 10  
2018 – 15 (2 remodel, 11 new residential housing & 2 commercial)
2. Amount of time spent by city officials to administer, 10 to 15 minutes per application

Additional questions that need to be answered,

1. The number of residential and commercial permits issued by our Engineering Dept. for 2017 & 2018.
2. Legal ramifications of Ordinance 2011-48R per Denis Faller review, (4/1/2019)

Mr. Neumeier asked if the time of administration has been a concern. Mr. Doll answered, yes, it was a concern. Mr. Campbell stated that so far, the City has only administered industrial CRAs.

**Finance & Utilities joint Committee Meeting** – a meeting was held on 03-21-2019 and the following was discussed:

1. Mayor Tom Stinebaugh requested the committees meet for the purpose of drainage south of Auglaize Acres and north of K Addition. The mayor explained that Auglaize County Commissioners had talked to him about the drainage problem. Mayor was also questioned as to the funding portion that the city would be responsible for. The committee discussed its process, as in the past, which was paid from storm drainage fun. Thus no property owners were assessed. Mayor Stinebaugh informed the committee that the rough estimate for the city's portion of the project would be \$27,000.

The committees had the following questions:

1. When will the project start?
2. When will the city's assessment be due?
2. Mayor Stinebaugh had questioned on non-bargaining job titles (tax department) changes and pay adjustments.
  1. There will be an Office Manager and a Tax Administrator. The Tax Administrator will answer to the Office Manager.
3. The Safety Service Director and Mayor are to prepare their proposed non bargaining unit job titles and pay ranges in ordinance form for review.

**Streets & Alleys Committee Meeting** – a meeting was held on 03-25-2019 and the following was discussed:

Unimproved section of South Street:

Wuebenhorst owns unimproved lots on the unimproved section of South St. He wants to sell these. 12 lots will become 4 75'x133' so they can meet city requirements. He asks to be allowed to make the

needed part of South St. a gravel driveway. Sewer line available there, but no storm sewer or water line is available.

Discussion about what is already on South St. and what is proposed was held.

Ruck gave the following approximate costs for improving South St.

Pavement – 1300'x 25' - \$367,900

6" water line - \$223,600

12" storm - \$219,700

Curb, gutter - \$42,900

Ruck will meet with Mr. Faller to determine the legality of permitting a city street to be a gravel driveway and will report back to the Committee.

Mr. Neumeier noted that the cost for infrastructure here would be approximately .8 million dollars, and would not make financial sense in this instance. Mrs. Wurst summarized that the matter is still within committee and no decision has been made.

#### **Communications -**

Clerk McDonald gave a reminder that all elected officials must file their financial disclosure by May 15, 2019.

Clerk McDonald read a letter from the Ohio Division of Liquor Control regarding the annual notice that all permits to sell alcoholic beverages will expire on June 1, 2019. Council did not voice any objections.

#### **Guest Petitions –**

Mrs. Deb Zwez of 613 E. Pearl Street addressed Council about conducting a city-wide cleanup campaign in preparation for the 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the moon landing. Mrs. Zwez's committee is requesting that the City provide dumpsters for this effort. Mr. Metz stated that he supports the idea, but dumpsters are limited and further details need ironed out between City Administration and the 2019 Anniversary Committee. Mr. Neumeier asked for the expense to the City for said dumpsters and services. Service Director Gregg could not answer this definitively. Mr. Lee expressed concern about the dumpsters being emptied regularly. Mrs. Zwez stated the committee plans to estimate costs and submit an application for tourism funds.

Mr. Stephen Ambrose of 24 ½ E. Auglaize Street requested permission for a street closure on Court Street on April 13<sup>th</sup> for the annual Easter "egg"stravaganza event at Wapak Nazarene Church. Motion by Metz, second by Dunlap to approve the request. Vote – 7 yeas, 0 nays. Motion passed.

Mrs. Janice Elsass 11940 Wapak-Fryburg Road, requested permission for a street closure on Almond Drive on April 13<sup>th</sup> for a block party event for 1<sup>st</sup> United Methodist Church. Motion by Metz, second by Campbell to approve the request. Vote – 7 yeas, 0 nays. Motion passed.

Mrs. Jackie Martell of 15209 Ramga Road and representative for the Wapakoneta Chamber of Commerce, requested permission for road closures for the annual Summer Moon Festival and Halloween Parade events. Mrs. Martell also asked for permission to utilize the Heritage Parkway and park for the annual 'Party in the Parkway' concert series. Mrs. Martell provided Council with maps of the proposed road closures and details of the changes made from previous years, as well as dates of the concert series. Motion by Doll, second by Lee to approve all said requests. Vote – 6 yeas, 1 abstain (Metz). Motion passed.

#### **New Business -**

Motion by Dunlap, second by Doll to appoint Albert Riefstahl to the Waste Minimization Committee. Vote – 7 yeas, 0 nays. Motion passed.

Mr. Doll stated that per Auditor Wells, the February books are now closed.

President Henderson asked Clerk to read Ord 2019-14 for the third time re: AN ORDINANCE AMENDING SECTION 1044.06 ENTITLED "RATES AND CHARGES" OF THE CODIFIED ORDINANCES OF THE

CITY OF WAPAKONETA, OHIO, REGARDING THE RATES AND CHARGES FOR THE PRODUCTS AND SERVICES OF THE MUNICIPAL WATERWORKS SYSTEM OF THE CITY.

Motion by Metz, second by Campbell to adopt Ord 2019-14. Vote – 7 yeas, 0 nays. Motion passed.

President Henderson asked Clerk to read Res 2019-16 for the third time re: A RESOLUTION TO ACKNOWLEDGE THE MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING BETWEEN THE CITY OF WAPAKONETA AND PRATT PAPER LLC.

Motion by Metz, second by Doll to adopt Res 2019-16. Vote – 7 yeas, 0 nays. Motion passed.

President Henderson asked Clerk to read Ord 2019-17 for the second time re: AN ORDINANCE ESTABLISHING CERTAIN PARKING BANS AND RESTRICTIONS WITHIN THE CITY LIMITS AND AMENDING SECTION 452.98 "SCHEDULES" AUTHORIZING THE ERECTION OF SIGNS FOR THE ENFORCEMENT OF THE SAME.

President Henderson asked Clerk to read Res 2019-19 for the second time re: A RESOLUTION ACCEPTING THE 2018 AUGLAIZE COUNTY NATURAL HAZARD MITIGATION PLAN.

President Henderson asked Clerk to read Ord 2019-20 for the first time re: AN ORDINANCE ESTABLISHING JOB TITLES AND PAY RANGES FOR NON-COLLECTIVE BARGAINING UNIT EMPLOYEES OF THE CITY OF WAPAKONETA IN COMPLIANCE WITH CHAPTER 260 OF THE CODIFIED ORDINANCES OF WAPAKONETA, OHIO.

Service Director Gregg added that discussions are still ongoing.

The Mayor's report:

March 18 Participated in Dept. Head Meeting  
March 18 Participated in Tourism Committee Meeting  
March 18 Participated in Council Meeting  
March 19 Met with rep from ARE Solar Company  
March 19 Met with reps from Vietnam Vets concerning banners  
March 19 Attended Sister Cities Annual Dinner  
March 20 Participated in 2019 Committee Meeting  
March 20 Participated in weekly phone conference with Pratt  
March 20 Attended statue unveiling at RAC with Mike Tizzano  
March 21 Met with John Knueve concerning water issues  
March 21 Attended Utilities & Finance Joint Meeting  
March 21 Attended Business after hour's at AMVETS  
March 22 Conducted preliminary interview with Engineer Candidate  
March 22 Met with the new Supervisor of the Ohio Greenhouse Company  
March 25 Participated in the Annual Meeting at the Health Dept.  
March 25 Participated in Streets & Alleys Committee Meeting  
March 25 Participated in Lands & Buildings Committee Meeting  
March 27 Attended Choice One Charity Cup Annual Fundraiser  
March 28 Participated in the monthly Armstrong Museum Directors Meeting  
March 29 Met with officials at St. Rita's Hospital concerning squad runs

The Service Director gave the following report:

No report.

The Law Director gave the following report:

No report.

SCHEDULING OF MEETINGS:

Tourism Commission will meet on April 15<sup>th</sup> at 6:15pm at City Hall.

Lands & Buildings Committee will meet on April 2<sup>nd</sup> at 7pm at City Hall.

**Miscellaneous Business –**

Mr. Lee stated he will be absent at the April 15<sup>th</sup> Council Meeting.

Motion by Doll, second by Campbell to adjourn at 8:07pm. Vote – 7 yeas, 0 nays.

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Clerk of Council