

President Steve Henderson called the meeting to order at 7:30pm on September 6, 2017 at 701 Parlette Court with the following members present: Jim Neumeier, Daniel E. Lee, Bonnie Wurst, Chad Doll, Rodney Metz and Dan Graf. Mayor Tom Stinebaugh and Service Director Chad Scott were also present. There were 13 visitors present. Law Director Dennis Faller was absent. Rachel Barber arrived at 8:02pm.

Received Income Tax Summary Report for Month Ending 08-31-2017.

Motion by Doll, second by Metz to approve the minutes of the August 21, 2017 Council Meeting as corrected. Vote – 6 yeas, 0 nays. Motion passed.

Health & Safety Committee – a meeting was held on 08-30-2017 and the following was discussed:

The committee came together on August 30th, at 4:30 pm to discuss parking on tree lawns and the moratorium on marijuana.

The committee reviewed ORC 452.03 which includes the rules governing standing and parking in the city limits. After the committee reviewed the document and had conversation about how to make this document clear about the prohibition of parking on a tree lawn in the city limits, Rachel Barber made a motion pursuant to input from Chief Hunlock and Denny Faller that line number 19 be added to ORC 452.03 stating On a tree lawn. Motion passed 3-0.

The committee then discussed the moratorium or legal documents that our surrounding jurisdictions have entered into or are considering. The entities include Duchouquet, Noble, Wayne, Union, Washington, and St. Marys. The committee will reach out to them and reconvene on Sept 27th at 4:30 to discuss their findings.

Mr. Graf then noted that the committee is looking for public input on the marijuana issue.

Mr. Neumeier asked if Mr. Lee intended to make a motion on the parking issue. Mr. Lee replied, no, as the committee is waiting on input from Police Chief Hunlock and Law Director Faller.

Utilities Committee – a meeting was held on 08-21-2017 and the following was discussed:

Discussion concerning the moving of a utility pole at Mr. Brian Johns' residence located at 701 Murray Street. Mr. John was not present at the meeting.

Mr. Johns received an estimate for moving the utility pole at a cost of \$2500.00. The estimate was given to him by phone. Mr. Johns then contacted the Light Superintendent Levi after 2 days. Mr. Johns informed Levi to go ahead with utility pole move.

Rodney Metz, Chairman of Utilities contacted the following utilities for their procedures in a similar utility pole request.

Midwest Electric would move the pole at no cost with conditions. Village of Minster would move the pole without cost. The City of St. Marys' would move the pole without cost but must meet certain conditions.

Wapakoneta City's Council Utilities Committee makes the following recommendation to charge Mr. Johns for materials only and each of the requests would be on a case by case basis as some utility poles cannot be moved and others have a much higher cost.

Motion was made by Dan Lee and seconded by Rodney Metz. Motion passed.

Mr. Doll asked if there has been any update on the possible bidding out of refuse and recycling pickup. Mr. Metz replied, no.

Communications -

Clerk McDonald provided copies of two letters from the Board of County Commissioners of Auglaize County concerning an upcoming GIS department zoning map update and the 2020 Census addresses update.

Guest Petitions –

Mr. Joel Harrell of 17516 Freymuth Road and representing Harvest Baptist Church, requested Council's permission to utilize Heritage Park on December 2nd for a live nativity scene along the Auglaize River. Council suggested that Mr. Harrell meet with both the Police and Fire Chiefs, Safety Service Director

Scott, as well as the Children's Hometown Holiday Committee to gather further planning details. Mr. Harrell agreed to do so and will return to Council at a later date.

Mrs. Phyllis Macke of 312 Dogwood Drive addressed Council and Administration regarding recent 'tow-away zone' signage in her area. Service Director Scott explained that crack-seal work is being done on the roads in this area. Mrs. Macke asked why the City is doing crack seal on the roads. Mayor Stinebaugh stated that doing so is a part of roadway maintenance. Mrs. Macke asked when the City will resolve the street flooding issue. Service Director Scott replied that some trees on private property have been removed in this area, and City employees have been working to clear the roots in the tiles to aid said flooding issues. Mayor Stinebaugh added that this work is labor intensive and takes a significant amount of time to complete. Mr. Neumeier asked why the 'tow-away zone' signage was placed in this area twice. Mr. Scott replied that the company was delayed due to rain, forcing them to reschedule. Mr. Neumeier added that though the tax levy for street repairs passed, the City does not collect said tax until January 2018.

Unfinished Business -

Mr. Metz stated that the City of Wapakoneta did not receive the Façade Improvement grant for downtown. Mr. Metz suggested that the Lands and Buildings Committee hold an informational meeting to explain the reasons that Wapakoneta was not chosen to receive this grant money.

Mr. Neumeier asked for an update regarding the property that the City tore down on West Auglaize Street. Mr. Neumeier asked if said property will be leased or given to the citizens that have been caring for it. Service Director Scott reiterated that the paperwork is with Law Director Faller. President Henderson suggested that Council wait on any action until Law Director Faller is present for the discussion.

President Henderson asked Clerk to read Res 2017-29 for the first time re: A RESOLUTION ACCEPTING THE AMOUNTS AND RATES AS DETERMINED BY THE BUDGET COMMISSION AND AUTHORIZING THE NECESSARY TAX LEVIES AND CERTIFYING THEM TO THE COUNTY AUDITOR.

The Mayor gave the following report:

August 21 Participated in Council meeting
22 Met with Greg Myers on Economic Development
24 Walked new water line on Glynwood Rd.
24 Participated in Planning Commission meeting
24 Met with homeowners on Springwood Lane concerning sidewalks
25 Participated in football drop at 1st home game
26 Attended Rob Burns' retirement party
26 Presented Proclamation to VFW for being named All- American Post
28 Traveled to Chicago for Economic Development
29 Participated in Economic Development meeting in Chicago

Mayor Stinebaugh added that he met with Ms. Vera Tasker and her neighbor about the parking issues here, and received good communication from all parties.

Mayor Stinebaugh requested that a Streets and Alleys Committee meeting be set to discuss curb assessments.

The Service Director gave the following report:

Mr. Scott requested the Utilities Committee schedule a meeting to discuss developing an interconnection standard to be put in place regarding homeowners placing solar or wind energy devices on their properties.

Mr. Doll asked if Service Director Scott could speak to the Façade Improvement grant that the City failed to receive. President Henderson put this matter into the Lands and Buildings Committee.

Mayor Stinebaugh mentioned a citizen email regarding the sidewalk assessment program. President Henderson put this matter into the Communications and Rules Committee for review.

Mrs. Wurst asked if the timing of the stoplight at the Walmart intersection had been changed. Mr. Scott advised that no recent changes have been made.

Ms. Barber then arrived at 8:02pm.

SCHEDULING OF MEETINGS:

Health & Safety Committee will meet on September 27th at 4:30pm at City Hall.

Communications & Rules Committee will meet on September 21st at 7:00pm at City Hall.

Lands & Buildings Committee will meet on September 21st at 6:00pm at City Hall.

Streets & Alleys Committee will meet on September 12th at 7:30pm at City Hall.

Miscellaneous business –

Mr. Lee advised of the upcoming September 9th Alzheimer's Walk at OSU Lima.

Ms. Barber gave a reminder of Servant's Day, which is scheduled for September 16th. Ms. Barber added that the City has always provided a dumpster and yard waste cards for the volunteers to use for this work. Council agreed that the City should continue to supply these materials for Servant's Day.

Motion by Doll, second by Metz to adjourn at 8:11pm. Vote – 7 yeas, 0 nays.

President

Clerk of Council