

President Steve Henderson called the meeting to order at 7:30pm on December 16, 2019 at 701 Parlette Court with the following members present: James Neumeier, Daniel E. Lee, Bonnie Wurst, Chad Doll, Rodney Metz, Terry Campbell and Chad Dunlap. Mayor Thomas Stinebaugh, Safety Service Director Floyd Gregg and Law Director Dennis Faller were also present. There were 2 visitors present.

Motion by Doll, second by Campbell to approve the minutes of the December 2, 2019 Council Meeting as submitted. Vote – 7 yeas, 0 nays.

Tourism Committee – Mr. Lee summarized a meeting held on 12-16-2019, stating that the committee discussed the rewording of the lodging tax application. Mr. Lee stated that the committee made a motion to change the wording on said application from: "...restoration and enhancement of current facilities and structures..." to "...restoration and enhancement of *public* facilities and structures...".

The Auglaize County Agricultural Society requested funding for placement of a digital billboard sign on 33A. Motion by Lee, second by Metz to approve the request in the amount of \$7000 to fund a digital, double sided sign on 33A. Mr. Campbell asked for further detail. Mr. Lee replied that the sign will be LED, and operated wirelessly. Vote – 7 yeas, 0 nays. Motion passed. Then, Mr. Neumeier asked Mr. Lee to re-read the proposed change of wording on the lodging tax application. Upon re-reading, Mayor Stinebaugh and Mr. Lee agreed that the word "public" is not what the committee had intended. Mr. Lee advised that his committee will review the matter again in the New Year.

Lands & Buildings Committee – a meeting was held on 12-12-2019 and the following was discussed:

1. Utility items discussed with Courtney and Associates were large power rate of 10,000 kilowatts for electric users. This rate would be eligible to any customer with this usage rate or a complex owned by the same parent company adjacent to each other.

2. Economic development rate of 1 cent per kilowatt hour will be reviewed by Courtney and Associates with an update to City Council arriving in 2020. This rate may be increased. Committee thanked Courtney and Associates for the update and we proceeded to refuse coat discussion.

3. Discussed the dumpster rental rate increase. 6 CU YD \$ 12.00

4 CU YD \$ 10.00

3 CU YD \$ 8.00

2 CU YD \$ 6.50

See attached Administration worksheet for old and new rates.

4. Discussed increasing the dumpster dumping fee by one dollar. Below is the existing fee structure. 6 CU YD \$ 36.50/Stop

4 CU YD \$ 26.50/Stop

3 CU YD \$ 21.50/Stop

2 CU YD \$ 16.50/Stop

Motion made by Terry Campbell, seconded by Bonnie Wurst to have administration to prepare legislation showing these increases. Motion passed unanimous.

5. Discussed implementing the refuse tote dumping rate of \$ 12.00 plus the monthly fee_ This rate is comparable to the number of white bags in volume to the tote.

The committee had a lengthy discussion with the Waste Minimization Committee members present. They are concerned that this will be a less of an incentive to recycle. Utilities Committee has requested Administration to inform the committee the number of totes out there and watch our refuse weight tipping fees as the committee is concerned with the glass that we could start to receive in both totes and bags since the curb side pickup does not allow glass. Waste

• Minimization is also concerned about the dumpsters' cleanliness and the dumpster being left in the curb lawn. The cleanliness issue would be no different that the refuse container being the responsibility of the owner. Should there become a need to control the dumpster location, City Council would need to pass legislation for this. Our residents at the time do very well with the red bins.

The totes will only be available for purchase through the city and will have the property owners' address on them. If a resident decides they do not need the tote any longer the city will be the one to pick it up the tote. This will also insure that the bill for the residents reflects they no longer have a tote. The

committee feels that this is way to offer a complete refuse service for our residents and not deter from the existing system.

6. Waste Minimization requested that they be listed on the City's website to help with continued resident education and updates to the waste reduction and latest practices.

7. Waste Minimization Committee requested that they receive information of changes to the refuse recycling program. Current Chairperson Rodney Metz volunteered to attend.

Mr. Metz also supplied Council with a price list for commercial dumpster rental, as well as a "Schedule DSR: Delivery Service Rate" explanation. Mayor Stinebaugh indicated that rates are still a matter of discussion.

Communications

Clerk McDonald read a letter from the Ohio Division of Liquor Control for a permit change to Siderail Inc. 1st FL & Patio, 17 E. Auglaize Street, Wapakoneta, Ohio from Modern Ink Properties, LLC, DBA The Ohio Bar, 1st FL & Patio, 17 E. Auglaize Street, Wapakoneta, Ohio. Council did not request a hearing.

Mr. Metz advised Council of his communications with the Board of Elections regarding the procedure to fill the City Council's 3rd Ward seat after Mrs. Wurst's departure. President Henderson also noted the absence of a City Law Director beginning in 2020.

New Business –

Mr. Doll relayed a message from Auditor Wells that the November financial books are closed.

Motion by Doll, second by Metz to enter into executive session at 7:53pm for the purpose of reviewing negotiations or bargaining sessions with public employees concerning their compensation or other terms and conditions of their employment. Vote – 7 yeas, 0 nays. Motion passed.

Motion by Doll, second by Metz to come out of executive session at 8:01pm. Vote – 7 yeas, 0 nays. Motion passed.

Motion by Doll, second by Metz to accept the Firefighters Union Contract. Vote – 7 yeas, 0 nays. Motion passed.

President Henderson asked Clerk to read Ord 2019-57 for the third time re: ANNUAL APPROPRIATION ORDINANCE FOR FISCAL YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31ST, 2020 AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

Motion by Doll, second by Campbell to adopt Ord 2019-57. Vote – 7 yeas, 0 nays. Motion passed.

President Henderson asked Clerk to read Ord 2019-58 for the third time re: AN ORDINANCE REPEALING SECTIONS 672.01, 672.02, 672.025, 672.03, 672.04, 672.05, 672.06, 672.07, 672.08, 672.085, 672.093, 672.10, 672.11, 672.12, 672.13, 672.14 AND 672.15 AND AMENDING SECTIONS 618.12, 630.01(ff), 672.09, 672.095, 476.03 AND 402.13 OF THE CODIFIED ORDINANCES OF THE CITY OF WAPAKONETA, OHIO, RELATING TO THE OWNERSHIP, POSSESSION, PURCHASE, OTHER ACQUISITION, TRANSPORT, STORAGE, CARRYING, SALE, OTHER TRANSFER, MANUFACTURE, TAXATION, KEEPING, AND REPORTING OF LOSS OR THEFT OF FIREARMS, THEIR COMPONENTS, AND THEIR AMMUNITION, AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

Motion by Campbell, second by Metz to adopt Ord 2019-58. Vote – 7 yeas, 0 nays. Motion passed.

President Henderson asked Clerk to read Ord 2019-62 for the second time re: AN ORDINANCE TO AUTHORIZE THE DIRECTOR OF PUBLIC SERVICE AND SAFETY TO ENTER INTO AN AGREEMENT WITH THE PUSHETA-WASHINGTON TOWNSHIPS PROTECTIVE ASSOCIATION, INCORPORATED, FOR THE FURNISHING OF FIRE PROTECTION SERVICES AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

Motion by Doll, second by Campbell to suspend the rules for Ord 2019-62. Vote – 6 yeas, 1 nay (Neumeier). Motion passed.

Motion by Doll, second by Dunlap to adopt Ord 2019-62. Vote – 6 yeas, 1 nay (Neumeier). Motion passed.

President Henderson asked Clerk to read Ord 2019-63 for the first time re: AN ORDINANCE ESTABLISHING PRELIMINARY LEGISLATION FOR THE CITY OF WAPAKONETA'S COOPERATION IN THE RESURFACING PROJECT OF US ROUTE 33 AND STATE ROUTE 65 BY THE OHIO DIRECTOR OF TRANSPORTATION AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

Motion by Doll, second by Metz to suspend the rules for Ord 2019-63. Vote – 6 yeas, 1 nay (Neumeier). Motion passed.

Motion by Doll, second by Dunlap to adopt Ord 2019-63. Vote – 6 yeas, 1 nay (Neumeier). Motion passed.

The Mayor provided a copy of the following report:

Dec. 02 Participated in the City Council Meeting
Dec. 03 Participated in Tree Commission Meeting
Dec. 04 Participated in WAEDC Monthly Meeting
Dec. 04 Attended the GOSA Committee for 2020
Dec. 04 Attended the 2019 Committee Meeting
Dec. 05 Attended the Joint Hydro Phase I Meeting
Dec. 05 Attended the OMEA Board Meeting
Dec. 05 Attended the OMEA Holiday Party and Dinner
Dec. 08 Participated in Sister Cities December Meeting and Cookie Raffle
Dec. 10 Met with Choice One for lunch and update meeting
Dec. 11 Participated in phone conference to discuss Pratt ESA
Dec. 11 Met with Steve and Gail Walters to sign deed for Koneta Property
Dec. 11 Met with Greg Myers and Tate Anderson to discuss Pratt issues
Dec. 12 Met with CSX to discuss rail spur options in the Industrial Park
Dec. 12 Met with GAMCO to discuss electric concerns
Dec. 12 Participated in Utilities Meeting
Dec. 13 Met with Ed.Doenges to discuss Lodging Tax request

Mr. Campbell asked for an update on the solar project. Mayor Stinebaugh replied that a secondary lease agreement may be needed to move forward with financing.

Mayor Stinebaugh added that he is considering placement of commemorative signage about the Koneta Hotel.

The Service Director gave the following report:

No report.

The Law Director gave the following report:

Mr. Faller provided a summary of the goals he was proud to have helped accomplish within the City of Wapakoneta during his career as the City Law Director. Mr. Faller thanked the citizens of Wapakoneta, City Council & Administration for the opportunity to serve.

Mayor Stinebaugh then presented service awards to Law Director Faller, Mrs. Wurst and Mr. Neumeier for their years of service to the community.

SCHEDULING OF COMMITTEE MEETINGS:

Tourism Commission will meet on Jan. 20th at 6:15pm at City Hall.

Miscellaneous Business –

President Henderson noted that he is working on the 2020 Committee assignments and welcomed any input.

Motion by Doll, second by Dunlap to adjourn at 8:15p.m. Vote – 7 yeas, 0 nays. Motion passed.

President

Clerk of Council