

President Steve Henderson called the meeting to order at 7:30pm on February 17, 2020 at 701 Parlette Court with the following members present: Ross Kantner, Daniel E. Lee, Chad Doll, Rodney Metz, Terry Campbell and Chad Dunlap. Mayor Thomas Stinebaugh, Law Director Grant Neal and Safety Service Director Floyd Gregg were also present. There were 8 visitors present.

Mr. Campbell asked that the following correction be made to the February 3, 2020 Council Meeting minutes: under Mayor's report, sentence should read "Mr. Campbell asked if the City has all the information needed regarding the Sherwood Forest Sewer acceptance proposal." Motion by Metz, second by Campbell to approve the minutes of the February 3, 2020 Council Meeting as corrected. Vote – 6 yeas, 0 nays. Motion passed.

Mr. Lee summarized the Tourism Commission meeting, stating that a request made from the Wapakoneta Museum did not meet the criteria for funding.

Motion by Lee, second by Campbell to limit the number of veterans' banner brackets to 250 for the year. Mr. Lee stated that the cost is approximately \$25 per bracket set, and they are re-usable. Vote – 6 yeas, 0 nays. Motion passed.

**Utilities Committee Meeting** – a meeting was held on 02-11-2020 and the following was discussed:

Purpose of the meeting was to discuss rolling totes option for city residents, businesses and other special clean up requests. Waste Minimization had several concerns that they wanted addressed so council was aware of their concerns. Their questions are listed as follows:

1. Using a 65 gallon tote there is a possibility of 2 city bags capacity in the tote. Based on 2 bags per week  $\$1.50 \times 2 = \$3.00 \times 52 \text{ weeks} = \$156.00$  divided by 12 = \$13.00 per month. The concern of having more volume at a discounted price is not a concern explained the Mayor as this is based on an average as we have a similar situation with the bag system as the bags are all not completely full.

2. Why are we considering using totes in the system when the city's bag system is working? Mayor Stinebaugh explained that there were a large number of requests in favor of the rolling bins in the meetings and the survey. So if we can do it, why not?

3. Waste Minimization has concerns of residents placing unacceptable items in the tote. Mayor Stinebaugh and the committee explained that there is no difference between the tote and the trash bag on observation from a city employee to make sure that the system is not abused.

4. Waste Minimization expressed concerns of residents using a neighbor's tote while they were on vacation or open space inside the tote. All totes will have an assigned address with its electronic device. This will be monitored by the drivers. Totes will not be emptied if they are at the wrong address. Also if the tote is left out for extended time the city is not opposed to passing legislation controlling the totes and recycle bins. We would first talk to the owner to get them to comply as we have had much success with the residents.

5. Waste Minimization members believe the rolling tote disincentives residents from recycling because the cost differential has been removed from the equation. Residents may be more inclined to simply throw everything into the trash because without a financial incentive it is easier than preparing materials for recycling. Mayor Tom Stinebaugh pointed out recycling is a losing proposition for the city. Revenue collected from recycled items totaled \$11,000 last year. This amount was nowhere near the cost associated with handling the recycling materials. The bottom line to recycling is that it is a losing proposition. But we do recycling because it is the right thing to do and we will continue to offer this service.

6. Waste Minimization Committee members are also concerned with the added time associated with the rolling bin system. This may add 30 to 60 minutes per day to a route. The Mayor explained there is time during the average day to accommodate this increase and would not be a hardship.

7. Chad Doll raised the question of offering Clean your Crater program in the same fashion it was done last year for the Armstrong Moon Landing celebration. The date is to be set mid-May.

Motion made by Doll, seconded by Campbell, to present the request at the next Council meeting for approval. Motion passed.

8. Waste Minimization Committee requested to do a special collection of house hold materials on April 18 from 9 a.m. to 12 noon at the Harrison Street Public Works building. Motion made by Doll, seconded by Campbell to present the request at the next Council meeting for approval. Motion passed.

Motion by Metz, second by Campbell to permit the "Clean your Crater" program to take place in mid-May, date to be determined. Mr. Lee asked for the costs incurred by the program last year. Mrs. Deb Zvez of Wapakoneta Daily News stated that the program is scheduled for one week this year, rather than an entire month. Vote – 6 yeas, 0 nays. Motion passed. Mayor Stinebaugh clarified that this program is for exterior property cleanup only.

Motion by Metz, second by Doll to permit the Waste Minimization committee to hold a material collection of household waste on April 18<sup>th</sup>, 9am-12noon at the Harrison Street Public Works building. Mr. Metz stated that the Waste Minimization Committee will be preparing the accepted materials list and helping to notify the public. Vote – 6 yeas, 0 nays. Motion passed.

#### **Communications –**

Clerk McDonald completed the Ohio Sunshine Laws online training course on City Council's behalf for the term.

#### **Guest Petitions –**

Mrs. Amy Kentner of 11811 Lakeview Drive, requested Council's permission to hold the "Let's Back the Blue" 5k race and provided them with race route details. Motion by Metz, second by Campbell to approve the request. Vote – 6 yeas, 0 nays. Motion passed. Mrs. Kentner also mentioned plans are underway for the annual "Run to the Moon" race as well.

Mr. Chad Fleck of 504 W. Benton Street addressed Council about trash concerns, but noted that all of his questions had already been answered by Mayor Stinebaugh.

#### **New Business –**

Mr. Doll advised that Auditor Wells has closed the January books.

President Henderson asked Clerk to read Ord 2020-05R for the third time re: AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE CITY AUDITOR AND DIRECTOR OF PUBLIC SERVICE AND SAFETY TO MAKE PAYMENT FOR ALL DEVELOPED PARCELS IN THE CORPORATION LIMITS OF THE CITY OF WAPAKONETA FOR THE AUGLAIZE COUNTY WOODLAND HILLS DITCH PROJECT AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY. Mr. Campbell asked for the cost to the City. Service Director Gregg agreed to get these figures for Council. Motion by Doll, second by Campbell to adopt Ord 2020-05R. Vote – 6 yeas, 0 nays. Motion passed.

President Henderson asked Clerk to read Ord 2020-06 for the third time re: AN ORDINANCE AMENDING SECTION 1046 OF THE CODIFIED ORDINANCES OF THE CITY OF WAPAKONETA, OHIO REGARDING ELECTRICITY RATES AND CHARGES. Motion by Metz, second by Dunlap to adopt Ord 2020-06. Vote – 6 yeas, 0 nays. Motion passed.

President Henderson asked Clerk to read Ord 2020-07R for the third time re: AN ORDINANCE AMENDING SECTION 1060.06 OF THE CODIFIED ORDINANCES OF THE CITY OF WAPAKONETA, OHIO, REGARDING RATES AND CHARGES. Motion by Lee, second by Campbell to adopt Ord 2020-07R. Vote – 6 yeas, 0 nays. Motion passed.

President Henderson asked Clerk to read Ord 2020-08 for the third time re: ANNUAL APPROPRIATION ORDINANCE FOR FISCAL YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31<sup>ST</sup>, 2020 AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY. Motion by Doll, second by Metz to adopt Ord 2020-08. Vote – 6 yeas, 0 nays. Motion passed.

President Henderson asked Clerk to read RES 2020-09 for the second time re: A RESOLUTION DECLARING THE NECESSITY OF A TAX LEVY REPLACEMENT FOR PARKS AND RECREATIONAL PURPOSES AND SUBMITTING SAME TO THE ELECTORS OF THE CITY OF WAPAKONETA, OHIO.

President Henderson asked Clerk to read ORD 2020-10 for the second time re: AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR AND THE DIRECTOR OF PUBLIC SERVICE AND SAFETY TO NEGOTIATE AND EXECUTE A POWER PURCHASE AGREEMENT WITH AMERICAN RENEWABLE ENERGY AND POWER LLC AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

Motion by Metz, second by Lee to suspend the rules for Ord 2020-10. Vote – 6 yeas, 0 nays. Motion passed.

Motion by Metz, second by Campbell to adopt Ord 2020-10. Vote – 6 yeas, 0 nays. Motion passed.

President Henderson asked Clerk to read Res 2020-11 for the second time re: A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO REPRESENT THE CITY OF WAPAKONETA AS A MEMBER OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE OHIO MUNICIPAL ELECTRIC ASSOCIATION AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY .

Motion by Campbell, second by Metz to suspend the rules for Res 2020-11. Vote – 6 yeas, 0 nays. Motion passed.

Motion by Doll, second by Metz to adopt Res 2020-11. Vote – 6 yeas, 0 nays. Motion passed.

President Henderson asked Clerk to read ORD 2020-12 for the first time re: AN ORDINANCE APPROVING THE DEDICATION OF PUBLIC RIGHT-OF-WAY ON A PORTION OF HARRISON STREET LOCATED WITHIN THE CITY OF WAPAKONETA, OHIO.

President Henderson asked Clerk to read ORD 2020-13 for the first time re: AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE DIRECTOR OF PUBLIC SERVICE AND SAFETY TO ENTER INTO A PURCHASE AGREEMENT FOR ONE 2020 FREIGHTLINER MATERIAL HANDLER AERIAL BUCKET TRUCK.

The Mayor provided a copy of the following report:

Feb. 03 Met at City Hall to discuss sewer issue with Reps.from Binkley-Hut Partnership

Feb. 03 Participated in City Council Meeting

Feb. 04 Participated in Tree Commission Meeting

Feb. 06 Met with Mike Kizer to review electric service needs

Feb. 06 Phone Conference to discuss ESA for Solar Project

Feb. 06 Attended a meet and greet for Logan ONeal

Feb. 10 Discussed WTP CMAR proposal

Feb. 10 Attended preconstruction meeting for Riverscape Project

Feb. 11 Participated in Utilities Meeting

Feb. 13 Held conference call to discuss PPA Agreement

Feb. 13 Held conference call with ARE and City Consultants to discuss Solar PPA

Feb. 13 Attended Solid Waste District Semi-Annual Meeting

Feb. 13 Met with Scott Cisco to discuss recycling issues

Feb. 13 Met with Choice One and Engineering to discuss Benton Street bids and Benton -Willipie Street stop light

Feb. 14 Participated in Grand Opening for Wish Boutique

Feb. 14 Participated in Grand Opening for Brailyns Hair Studio

Mr. Campbell asked for further explanation on the February 3<sup>rd</sup> activities. Mayor Stinebaugh stated that a defective area was found that will be dug up and repaired.

Mr. Campbell asked for a timeframe on the Riverscape project. Mayor Stinebaugh answered that work should begin any day now.

Mr. Campbell asked for further information on the Mayor's meeting with Scott Cisco. Mayor Stinebaugh relayed that cardboard hauling to Pratt Ind. was discussed.

The Service Director gave the following report:

No report.

Mr. Campbell asked about the boring being done on Harrison and Bellefontaine Streets. Service Director Gregg advised this was an AEP fiber line.

Mr. Campbell asked about sewer mapping on the east side of town. Service Director Floyd stated that the sewer jet has been used to clean out problem areas.

The Law Director gave the following report:

Upon review, Law Director Neal stated that ORC will not prohibit the City from changing its mailing notifications to property owners when a variance is filed.

**SCHEDULING OF COMMITTEE MEETINGS:**

Tourism Commission will meet on March 16<sup>th</sup> at 6:15pm at City Hall.

Motion by Doll, second by Metz to adjourn at 8:11p.m. Vote – 6 yeas, 0 nays. Motion passed.

---

President

---

Clerk of Council