

President Steve Henderson called the meeting to order at 7:30pm on July 6, 2020 at 701 Parlette Court with the following members present: Ross Kantner, Daniel E. Lee, Brandon Miller, 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 6 visitors present. Mr. Chad Doll was absent.

Received Income Tax Summary Report for Month Ending 06-30-2020.

Motion by Campbell, second by Metz to approve the minutes of the June 15, 2020 Council Meeting as submitted. Vote – 6 yeas, 0 nays.

Guest Petitions -

Mrs. Linda Knerr of 312 E. Mechanic Street asked Council if any drawings have been received regarding the Koneta Hotel parking lot. Mayor Stinebaugh answered, no. Mrs. Knerr also asked when grind and pave will begin on side streets. Mayor Stinebaugh replied that the City is still determining how many streets can be completed this year. Mrs. Knerr asked when Perry Street will be complete. Mayor Stinebaugh answered, August.

Mr. David Hibner of 1112 Stonegate Court addressed Council about his opposition to placing stop signs on Timber Trail. Mr. Hibner stated that a traffic study ought to have been completed first and asked Council to reconsider their decision. President Henderson disagreed, stating that Council and two committees did their due diligence in investigating and resolving this safety issue. President Henderson added that the stop signs were needed to protect children and pedestrians from speeding traffic.

New Business -

Motion by Metz, second by Campbell to bring Ordinances 2020-34 and 2020-35 to the floor. Vote – 6 yeas, 0 nays. Motion passed.

President Henderson asked Clerk to read Ord 2020-26R for the third time re: AN ORDINANCE MAKING SUPPLEMENTAL APPROPRIATIONS AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY. Motion by Metz, second by Dunlap to adopt Ord 2020-26R. Vote – 6 yeas, 0 nays. Motion passed.

President Henderson asked Clerk to read Res 2020-30 for the second time re: A RESOLUTION AFFIRMING THAT FUNDS FROM THE COUNTY CORONAVIRUS RELIEF DISTRIBUTION FUND MAY BE EXPENDED ONLY TO COVER COST OF THE CITY OF WAPAKONETA CONSISTENT WITH THE REQUIREMENTS OF SECTION 5001 OF THE CARES ACT AS DESCRIBED IN 42 U.S.C. 601 (d) AND ANY APPLICABLE REGULATIONS BEFORE RECEIVING SAID FUNDS.

President Henderson asked Clerk to read Ord 2020-32 for the first time re: AN ORDINANCE MAKING SUPPLEMENTAL APPROPRIATIONS AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

President Henderson asked Clerk to read Ord 2020-33 for the first time re: AN ORDINANCE ESTABLISHING PRELIMINARY LEGISLATION FOR THE CONSENT OF THE CITY OF WAPAKONETA TO THE OHIO DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION TO UTILIZE BRIDGE MAINTENANCE AND REPAIR SERVICES. Mr. Campbell asked if there were fees involved. Service Director Gregg replied, no.

President Henderson asked Clerk to read Ord 2020-34 for the first time re: AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING ANNEXATION OF UNINCORPORATED PROPERTY OWNED BY THE CITY OF WAPAKONETA AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY. Motion by Campbell, second by Kantner to suspend the rules for Ord 2020-34. Vote – 6 yeas, 0 nays. Motion passed. Motion by Campbell, second by Metz to adopt Ord 2020-34. Vote – 6 yeas, 0 nays. Motion passed.

President Henderson asked Clerk to read Ord 2020-35 for the first time re: AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR AND THE CITY AUDITOR TO APPLY FOR AND ACCEPT A SHORT-TERM LOAN AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY. Motion by Lee, second by Dunlap to suspend the

rules for Ord 2020-35. Vote – 6 yeas, 0 nays. Motion passed. Motion by Lee, second by Campbell to adopt Ord 2020-35. Vote – 6 yeas, 0 nays. Motion passed.

The Mayor gave the following report:

The Ohio Rail Development Commission is requesting the closure of the Park Street railroad crossing. Public input and council committee consideration is needed on the matter.

Mr. Metz noted several dead trees in the downtown tree lawn, as well as trip hazards.

The Service Director gave the following report:

No report.

Mr. Miller asked for an update on lost semi-truck drivers on the ‘flower streets’. Service Director Gregg stated that this has been resolved.

The Law Director gave the following report:

No report.

Scheduling Committee Meetings:

Lands & Buildings Committee will meet at City Hall on Thursday, July 9th at 6pm.

Parks & Recreation Committee will meet at City Hall on Thursday, July 9th at 6:30pm.

Streets & Alleys Committee will meet at City Hall on Thursday, July 9th at 7pm.

Miscellaneous Business –

Mr. Josh Little of the Wapak YMCA thanked Council for their support during YMCA construction. Mr. Little noted that additional CDBG funds are needed for the playground resurfacing. Motion by Lee, second by Campbell to allow the use of CDBG money to cover the additional costs for the YMCA playground resurfacing. Vote – 6 yeas, 0 nays. Motion passed.

Mr. Campbell requested a resolution be considered showing Council’s support for the police department and noting that the City will not “defund the police”. Mr. Danny Hilliard of Murray Drive stated that the notion of defunding the police is an attempt by democrats to disrupt the re-election of President Donald Trump.

Motion by Lee, second by Campbell to adjourn the meeting at 8:15p.m. Vote – 6 yeas, 0 nays. Motion passed.

President

Clerk of Council