

President Pro Tem Chad Doll called the meeting to order at 7:30pm on April 19, 2021 at 701 Parlette Court with the following members present: Ross Kantner, Daniel E. Lee, Brandon Miller, Chad Doll, John Shepline and Terry Campbell. Law Director Grant Neal and Safety Service Director Floyd Gregg were also present. Mayor Thomas Stinebaugh, President Steve Henderson and Councilman Chad Dunlap were absent.

Motion by Lee, second by Campbell to approve the minutes of the April 5, 2021 Council meeting as submitted. Vote – 6 yeas, 0 nays. Motion passed.

Guest Petitions -

Ms. Lindsay Zielonka of Wapak YMCA at 1100 Defiance Street requested Council's permission to utilize the City's roadways to hold a triathlon on July 3rd, 2021. Ms. Zielonka supplied a copy of the race route. Council had no objections.

Mrs. Deb Fischer of 18440 County Road 115A and representing Riverside Art addressed Council about a proposed 'musical park' to be located at Belcher Park. Mrs. Fischer provided a video presentation and photos of the outdoor musical instruments that would be installed, asking for the City's cooperation and guidance during the project. Mrs. Fischer noted that the project would be funded with private donations and sponsors and would then be given as a gift to the City upon completion. Motion by Lee, second by Shepline to approve Riverside Art's request for permission to install a 'musical park' at Belcher Park. Vote – 6 yeas, 0 nays. Motion passed. Mr. Kantner requested that the Parks & Recreation Committee be kept apprised of the project's status through completion.

Mr. Scott Risner of 807 North Circle Drive addressed Council regarding Resolution 2021-25, requesting that Council reconsider the requirement for mandatory seatbelt use on golf carts and other underspeed vehicles. Mr. Risner suggested applying the seatbelt rule only to those riders under 16 years of age. Mr. Risner also expressed concern that those visiting the city would not be aware of said rule. Mr. Risner further requested that if Res 2021-25 is adopted by Council, that time be given in order for owners to obtain the parts needed for adding seatbelts to these vehicles. Mr. Campbell asked Law Director Grant Neal if the Ohio Revised Code addresses this matter. Mr. Neal answered that the revised code delegates this type of legislation to be determined by each local community. Mr. Lee commented that Res 2021-25 would be a tool for law enforcement to maintain safety on the city streets, not necessarily to write numerous tickets. Mr. Doll noted that Res 2021-25 will not be read for the 3rd time until May 3rd, giving the community ample time to provide their input on the proposed legislation.

Mr. Sam Watkins of 424 S. Pine Street addressed Council regarding parking problems on his street, in particular cars blocking his driveway or parking in his driveway. Mr. Watkins further added that cars often block his mailbox as well, resulting in mail delivery delays. The heavy congestion is due to soccer games occurring in the Breakfast Optimist Park near his home. Mr. Campbell suggested that Mr. Watkins contact the USPS regarding the mail delivery issues. Service Director Gregg suggested the City paint a yellow no-parking indicator on this section of Pine Street. Mr. Gregg also noted that Wapak Police Department has been issuing parking tickets in that area. Mr. Watkins and Mr. Kantner suggested adding additional parking in the soccer field area or in the parking lot. President Pro Tem Doll put the matter into the Streets & Alleys Committee for review.

New Business –

Mr. Doll advised that the March books are now closed per Auditor Wells.

President Pro Tem Doll asked Clerk to read Res 2021-15 for the third time re: A RESOLUTION DECLARING THE NECESSITY OF CONSTRUCTING AND/OR REPAIRING CERTAIN SIDEWALKS IN THE CITY OF WAPAKONETA, COUNTY OF AUGLAIZE, STATE OF OHIO.

Motion by Lee, second by Miller to adopt Res 2021-15. Vote – 6 yeas, 0 nays. Motion passed.

President Pro Tem Doll asked Clerk to read Ord 2021-16 for the third 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.

Motion by Lee, second by Campbell to adopt Ord 2021-16. Vote – 6 yeas, 0 nays. Motion passed.

President Pro Tem Doll asked Clerk to read Ord 2021-17 for the third time re: AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR AND DIRECTOR OF LAW TO PREPARE AND EXECUTE AN AGREEMENT TRANSFERRING OWNERSHIP OF A PORTION OF REAL PROPERTY LOCATED WITHIN THE CITY LIMITS TO THE COMMUNITY INVESTMENT CORPORATION.

Motion by Lee, second by Miller to adopt Ord 2021-17. Vote – 6 yeas, 0 nays. Motion passed.

President Pro Tem Doll asked Clerk to read Ord 2021-18 for the third time re: AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR AND DIRECTOR OF LAW TO PREPARE AND EXECUTE AN AGREEMENT TRANSFERRING OWNERSHIP OF A PORTION OF REAL PROPERTY LOCATED WITHIN THE CITY LIMITS TO THE COMMUNITY INVESTMENT CORPORATION.

Motion by Campbell, second by Shepline to adopt Ord 2021-18. Vote – 6 yeas, 0 nays. Motion passed.

President Pro Tem Doll asked Clerk to read Ord 2021-22 for the second time re: AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE DIRECTOR OF SAFETY AND SERVICE TO ENTER INTO A PURCHASE AGREEMENT FOR ONE RING-O-MATIC 550 HI CFM VACUUM EXCAVATOR TRAILER.

President Pro Tem Doll asked Clerk to read Ord 2021-23 for the second time re: AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING CORPORATED PROPERTY IN THE CITY OF WAPAKONETA TO CHANGE COUNTY ADDRESS TO CITY OF WAPAKONETA ADDRESS SYSTEM.

President Pro Tem Doll asked Clerk to read Ord 2021-24 for the second time re: AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE DIRECTOR OF PUBLIC SERVICE AND SAFETY TO SET SPECIFICATIONS, ADVERTISE FOR BIDS, A GRIND AND PAVE CONTRACT FOR VARIOUS STREETS WITHIN THE CITY OF WAPAKONETA USING TAX LEVY MONIES.

Service Director Gregg requested Council's permission to add 5 additional streets to the list.

Mr. Doll noted the streets being added are portions of Logan Street, Court Street, Jefferson Street, Dearbaugh Avenue and Race Street. Motion by Lee, second by Campbell to approve the amendment to Ord 2021-24. Vote – 6 yeas, 0 nays. Motion passed.

President Pro Tem Doll asked Clerk to read Res 2021-25R for the second time re: A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE USE OF UNDERSPEED VEHICLES AND MINI-TRUCKS ON THE PUBLIC AND HIGHWAYS OF THE CITY OF WAPAKONETA.

The Service Director gave the following report:

Requested that a Streets & Alleys Committee meeting be scheduled. One of the 'Party in the Parkway' dates has been changed. DORA trashcans have been ordered.

Mr. Kantner asked for a report showing the receipts and expenditures of the street levy tax monies.

Mr. Doll asked that a stoplight on Harrison Street be looked at for proper timing.

Mr. Doll noted a dip in the road at Blackhoof and Mechanic Streets that needs addressed.

Mr. Doll requested that the alley opposite Fairview Drive be blocked off during upcoming events such as 'Tugfest', the July 4th Festival and the Auglaize County Fair.

Mr. Campbell stated that there are sink holes developing along the sidewalk near Redskin Trail and 501 and the property owner has been notified.

The Law Director gave the following report:

Request that a Lands & Buildings Committee meeting be scheduled to review legislation regarding the Community Reinvestment Area.

Scheduling Committee Meetings:

Lodging Tax Committee will meet on May 17th at 6:15pm at City Hall if needed.

Lands & Buildings Committee will meet on May 6th at 3:30pm at City Hall.
Health & Safety Committee will meet on April 27th at 6:30pm at City Hall.
Streets & Alleys Committee will meet on April 27th at 7pm at City Hall.

Motion by Lee, second by Campbell to adjourn the meeting at 8:34pm. Vote – 6 yeas, 0 nays. Motion passed.

President

Clerk of Council