

President Steve Henderson called the meeting to order at 7:30pm on August 2, 2021 at 701 Parlette Court with the following members present: Ross Kantner, Daniel E. Lee, Brandon Miller, Chad Doll, John Shepline, Terry Campbell and Chad Dunlap. Mayor Thomas Stinebaugh, Law Director Grant Neal and Safety Service Director Floyd Gregg were also present. There were 4 visitors present.

Motion by Doll, second by Campbell to approve the minutes of the July 19, 2021 Council meeting as submitted. Vote – 7 yeas, 0 nays. Motion passed.

Received Income Tax Summary Report for Month Ending 07-31-2021.

Finance Committee Meeting – a meeting was held on 07-27-2021 and the following was discussed:

Committee discussed the need for future capital improvements & staffing for the waterpark. Voted 3-0 in favor of creating a line in the pool fund in the 2022 city budget and starting it with \$20,000.

Discussed the possibility of increasing salaries for positions of law director and city council. More research will be done on this topic.

It was noted the ½% tax street levy will have to be put up for renewal in 2022.

Committee discussed possibilities regarding the hiring of a full time engineer. Information will be gathered about a possible salary and possible education reimbursement for current employees. Administration will reach out to a few individuals regarding education status and / or interest in possible part time work. In the meantime, the plan is to continue to utilize Choice One Engineering as needed.

Committee will wait to receive a revised quote on the cost of archive record preservation & digitization before making a recommendation on the project.

Kantner suggested the 2022 city budget might consider setting aside some additional funds for infrastructure projects.

Mr. Campbell asked Mr. Doll to find out if there are wage differences between councilors and councilors-at-large in other cities.

Guest Petitions –

Mr. Josh Little 15881 Sunset Blvd requested Council's permission for street closures during the annual 'Childrens' Hometown Holiday' event, scheduled for December 3rd and 4th.

Motion by Doll, second by Dunlap to approve the request. Vote – 7 yeas, 0 nays. Motion passed.

New Business -

Motion by Campbell, second by Miller to bring Ordinance 2021-36 to the floor for its first reading. Vote – 7 yeas, 0 nays. Motion passed.

Mr. Dunlap read a letter from Mr. Adam Bryan of 12 E. Harrison Street voicing his complaint about the litter and noise around the City's recycle drop off area on Harrison Street. Mayor Stinebaugh agreed to proceed with the installation of a 10 foot fence in this area to alleviate the noise and prevent the spread of litter.

President Henderson asked Clerk to read Res 2021-35 for the third time re: A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR AND THE DIRECTOR OF PUBLIC SERVICE AND SAFETY TO PREPARE AND SUBMIT AN APPLICATION TO PARTICIPATE IN THE OHIO PUBLIC WORKS COMMISSION STATE CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM AND TO EXECUTE CONTRACTS AS REQUIRED.

Motion by Doll, second by Campbell to adopt Res 2021-35. Vote – 7 yeas, 0 nays. Motion passed.

President Henderson asked Clerk to read Ordinance 2021-36 for the first time re: AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE DIRECTOR OF PUBLIC SERVICE AND SAFETY TO SET SPECIFICATIONS, ADVERTISE FOR BIDS, A DEMOLITION CONTRACT FOR VARIOUS DANGEROUS BUILDINGS IN THE CITY OF WAPAKONETA.

Motion by Kantner, second by Sheipline to untable Res 2021-33. Vote – 5 yeas, 2 nays (Campbell, Miller). Motion passed.

Motion by Kantner, second by Dunlap to adopt Res 2021-33. Vote – 3 yeas, 4 nays (Sheipline, Dunlap, Kantner, Doll.) Motion did not pass.

The Mayor gave the following report:

Geese eradication work around the river area continues.

Income tax is about \$200,000 ahead overall.

West Benton Street work continues.

Curb work is happening now, and grind and pave will begin soon.

City of Lima is asking Wapakoneta to join a consortium of all the communities whose water eventually discharges into the Maumee River. The 'total maximum daily load' regulations are currently being developed and the cost to Wapakoneta to join the consortium regarding the matters would be \$3000.

Motion by Lee, second by Dunlap to approve this request. Vote – 7 yeas, 0 nays. Motion passed.

The Service Director gave the following report:

No report.

The Law Director gave the following report:

No report.

Mr. Campbell asked for a timeline regarding the Easttown and Madison properties being transferred to the CIC. Mr. Neal replied that this work is ongoing.

Scheduling Committee Meetings:

Lodging Tax Committee will meet on August 16th at 6:15pm at City Hall if needed.

Finance Committee will meet on August 9th at 7pm at City Hall.

Streets & Alleys Committee will meet on August 9th at 7:30pm at City Hall.

Miscellaneous Business –

President Henderson asked if Mr. Jim Neumeier has been supplied with the street tax numbers he previously requested. Service Director Gregg answered, yes.

Motion by Doll, second by Kantner to adjourn the meeting at 7:56pm. Vote – 7 yeas, 0 nays. Motion passed.

President

Clerk of Council