

President Steve Henderson called the meeting to order at 7:30pm on November 4, 2019 at 701 Parlette Court with the following members present: 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 8 visitors present. Jim Neumeier was absent.

Received Income Tax Summary Report for Month Ending 10-31-2019.

Motion by Lee, second by Campbell to approve the minutes of the October 21, 2019 Council Meeting as submitted. Vote – 6 yeas, 0 nays.

**Tourism Commission Meeting:** – a meeting was held on 11-04-2019 and the following was discussed: Received an application from 'Astro Lanes' requesting \$10,000 for the restoration of their neon sign. Committee reviewed the request, and recommends granting \$2000 for the request. Motion by Doll, second by Metz to approve the grant of \$2000 to Astro Lanes for sign restoration. Vote – 6 yeas, 0 nays. Motion passed.

**Finance Committee** – a meeting was not called to order, but Mr. Doll summarized the following budget needs for 2020:

Police Department (General Fund)

- Planning to purchase new dog (\$10,000 - \$7000 increase in budget)
- Looking to add a new officer in 2021

Fire Department / EMS (General Fund)

- Plan to tuck point & seal fire station (\$58,000)

Fund 201 (Street Maintenance & Repair)

- Fund is tight but new Gas tax revenues estimated at \$200,000

Fund 205 (Recreation Fund)

- Investigating mower program (\$7800 up front, then \$1000 per year to have a new mower for a year & trade in a get a new one)

Fund 301 (Street & Sewer Improvement)

- Estimate \$1.3 million for street levy income
- Perry Street full reconstruction with \$300K in grants & possible \$293K interest free loan)
- Benton reconstruction from RR to Ohio Street (will include \$175K of CDBG & Progressive Gas Tax money)
- Likely Water Street in 2021 due to sewer stability issues
- Last half of Benton for 2022
- Other street work will include thermoplast striping and crack seal program
- Other streets TBD

Fund 620 (Electric)

- Pay increase for line workers
- Sale of power revenues projected to be \$1,000,000 higher due to various new users

Fund 640 (Sewer)

- Costs & Revenues both up mainly due to Pratt coming online

Fund 701 (Engineering)

- Costs up due to addition of city engineer to staff (salary & benefits)
- Budget for this fund is tight

City to purchase new backhoe with cost to be split among various departments that use the current one (estimate \$150,000)  
Additional funding for WAEDC executive director transition up to \$38,000

Mr. Metz added that the recommendation of the group is for the Façade Committee to apply for lodging tax dollars.

**Guest Petitions -**

Auditor Wilbur Wells addressed Council regarding Ord 2019-55R, explaining that the \$700,000 for the sewer replacement fund was a surplus and can be used in any way needed within the sewer fund. Mr. Wells intends to utilize these funds for the upcoming EPA mandated project. Mr. Wells also noted that he fixed some interest monies on the budget side to balance it, nothing extra was received.

President Henderson asked Clerk to read Ord 2019-48 for the third 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.

Motion by Metz, second by Campbell to adopt Ord 2019-48. Vote – 6 yeas, 0 nays. Motion passed.

President Henderson asked Clerk to read Ord 2019-49 for the third time re: AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE DIRECTOR OF PUBLIC SERVICE AND SAFETY TO EXECUTE AN AGREEMENT WITH THE AUGLAIZE COUNTY SOLID WASTE MANAGEMENT BOARD FOR OPERATION AND MANAGEMENT OF THE “YARD WASTE” DISPOSAL FACILITY.

Motion by Campbell, second by Metz to adopt Ord 2019-49. Vote – 6 yeas, 0 nays. Motion passed.

President Henderson asked Clerk to read Ord 2019-50 for the third time re: AN ORDINANCE APPROVING THE EDITING AND INCLUSION OF CERTAIN ORDINANCES AS PARTS OF THE VARIOUS COMPONENT CODES OF THE CODIFIED ORDINANCES, PROVIDING FOR THE ADOPTION AND PUBLICATION OF NEW MATTER IN THE UPDATED AND REVISED CODIFIED ORDINANCES; REPEALING ORDINANCES AND RESOLUTIONS IN CONFLICT THEREWITH; AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

Motion by Doll, second by Dunlap to adopt Ord 2019-50. Vote – 6 yeas, 0 nays. Motion passed.

President Henderson asked Clerk to read Ord 2019-53 for the second time re: AN ORDINANCE TO VACATE A PORTION OF ALLEY LOCATED BETWEEN DEFIANCE STREET AND NORTH BLACKHOOF IN THE CITY OF WAPAKONETA, OHIO.

Clerk McDonald announced that a public hearing regarding this ordinance will be held at City Hall, 7:15pm on November 18<sup>th</sup>.

President Henderson asked Clerk to read Ord 2019-54 for the second time re: AN ORDINANCE RE-ESTABLISHING THE ZONING CLASSIFICATION FOR PROPERTY LOCATED ON WILLIPIE STREET, WAPAKONETA, AUGLAIZE COUNTY, OHIO.

Clerk McDonald announced that a public hearing regarding this ordinance will be held at City Hall, 7:15pm on November 18<sup>th</sup>.

President Henderson asked Clerk to read Ord 2019-55R for the first time re: AN ORDINANCE MAKING SUPPLEMENTAL APPROPRIATIONS AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

Motion by Doll, second by Lee to suspend the rules for Ord 2019-55R. Vote – 6 yeas, 0 nays. Motion passed.

Motion by Campbell, second by Metz to adopt Ord 2019-55R. Vote – 6 yeas, 0 nays. Motion passed.

President Henderson asked Clerk to read Ord 2019-56 for the first time re: AN ORDINANCE ESTABLISHING THE PAY RATE OF CITY EMPLOYEES DURING MUTUAL AID RESPONSE AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

Mrs. Wurst asked if the union has been made aware of said Ordinance. Service Director Gregg answered, yes.

The Mayor provided a copy of the following report:

Oct. 21 Participated in Department Head Meeting

Oct. 21 Participated in conference call with folks from Langholm Scotland

Oct. 24 Participated in Prairie State Project conference call

Oct. 24 Participated in the Halloween Parade and picked Mayor's Choice Award

Oct. 25 Spoke at Breakfast Optimist Club Meeting

Oct. 25 Met with Jim Price on city land issues

Oct. 25 Attended first hearing of the Auglaize Acres single county ditch project

Oct. 25 Participated in Candidate Forum at the High School

Oct. 29 Met with the manager of Lowe's (Justin Blanton) concerning a donation to the city

Oct. 29 Met with Chad Doll to discuss city issues

Oct. 29 Met with IAFF973 to discuss contract

Oct. 31 Met with Auditor and Finance Committee to discuss budget

Oct. 31 Met with Rob McColley at Commissioners office to discuss state budget and opportunities for grants

Nov. 01 Participated in a say no to drugs and alcohol program at the Middle School

Nov. 01 Met with area farmer to discuss possible land "for sale"

Nov. 02 Helped with cookie judging at the Downtown Holiday Open House

The Service Director gave the following report:

No report.

The Law Director gave the following report:

A state statute will go into effect on Dec. 28<sup>th</sup> regarding section 9.68 dealing with the 2<sup>nd</sup> amendment. The City should prepare legislation for this as soon as possible.

#### SCHEDULING OF COMMITTEE MEETINGS:

Finance Committee will meet on Nov. 12<sup>th</sup> at 4pm at City Hall.

Tourism Commission will meet on Nov. 18<sup>th</sup> at 6:15pm at City Hall.

Motion by Doll, second by Campbell to adjourn at 7:55p.m. Vote – 6 yeas, 0 nays.

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Clerk of Council