

President Steve Henderson called the meeting to order at 7:30pm on January 6, 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 and Safety Service Director Floyd Gregg were also present. There were 13 visitors present.

Received income tax summary report ending 12-31-2019.

Motion by Metz, second by Campbell to approve the minutes of the December 16, 2019 Public Hearing as submitted. Vote – 6 yeas, 0 nays. Motion passed.

Motion by Metz, second by Doll to approve the minutes of the December 16, 2019 Council Meeting as submitted. Vote – 6 yeas, 0 nays.

Guest Petitions –

Ms. Melissa Odira of 934 Dearbaugh Ave requested Council's permission to hold the Acacia Run for Hope 5k race. Ms. Odira provided Council with a map of the race route. Motion by Metz, second by Campbell to approve the request with appropriate insurance documents provided. Vote – 6 yeas, 0 nays. Motion passed.

New Business –

Motion by Dunlap, second by Metz to appoint Chad Doll as President Pro Tem. Vote – 5 yeas, 0 nays, 1 abstain (Doll). Motion passed.

Motion by Dunlap, second by Campbell to appoint Chad Doll as Council's liaison for WAEDC. Vote – 5 yeas, 0 nays, 1 abstain (Doll). Motion passed.

Motion by Doll, second by Dunlap to appoint the following: to the Building Code Board of Appeals: John Rausch and James Stinebaugh, to Zoning Appeals: Dale Thomas and Ernest Hollenbacher, to the Design Review Board: Rodney Metz, to the Income Tax Review Board: Christine Davis and Virginia Schweitzer, for Lodging Tax Committee liaison: Daniel E. Lee, to the Waste Minimization Committee: Amy Crow, Anthony Brookhart and Jane Myers. Vote – 5 yeas, 0 nays, 1 abstain (Metz). Motion passed.

Motion by Doll, second by Metz to retain Terry McDonald as Clerk of City Council. Vote – 6 yeas, 0 nays. Motion passed.

Motion by Doll, second by Metz to appoint Chad Dunlap to the Volunteer Firefighters Fund. Vote – 5 yeas, 0 nays, 1 abstain (Dunlap). Motion passed.

Motion by Doll, second by Metz to appoint Daniel E. Lee to the Volunteer Firefighters Fund. Vote – 5 yeas, 0 nays, 1 abstain (Lee). Motion passed.

Motion by Doll, second by Campbell to appoint Rodney Metz to the Community Improvement Corporation. Vote – 5 yeas, 0 nays, 1 abstain (Metz). Motion passed.

Mr. Dunlap and Mr. Lee suggested that committee chairs simply summarize their reports during Council meetings, rather than reading them aloud word for word. Council members agreed to this change.

Motion by Doll, second by Campbell to bring Res 2020-03 to the floor. Vote – 6 yeas, 0 nays. Motion passed.

Motion by Doll, second by Metz to bring Ord 2020-04 to the floor. Vote – 6 yeas, 0 nays. Motion passed.

Motion by Doll, second by Metz to enter into executive session at 7:41pm to consider the appointment of a public employee or official and inviting Mr. Grant Neal. Vote – 6 yeas, 0 nays. Motion passed.

Motion by Doll, second by Metz to exit executive session at 7:49pm. Vote – 6 yeas, 0 nays. Motion passed.

Mayor Stinebaugh then introduced the new City Law Director, Mr. Grant Neal, and proceeded to swear him in to the position.

President Henderson asked Clerk to read Ord 2020-01 for the first time re: AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE DIRECTOR OF SAFETY AND SERVICE TO ADVERTISE FOR BIDS AND ENTER INTO CONTRACTS FOR CERTAIN MATERIALS, SERVICES AND EQUIPMENT RENTAL REQUIRED FOR THE OPERATION OF THE VARIOUS DEPARTMENTS OF THE CITY OF WAPAKONETA.

President Henderson asked Clerk to read Ord 2020-02 for the first time re: AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE DIRECTOR OF SAFETY AND SERVICE TO EXECUTE AN AGREEMENT WITH THE DUCHOUQUET TOWNSHIP TRUSTEES FOR FURNISHING OF FIRE PROTECTION AND AMBULANCE SERVICE. Mr. Doll pointed out a numerical error within the contract. Mr. Gregg will correct this.

President Henderson asked Clerk to read Res 2020-03 for the first time re: A RESOLUTION RATIFYING CERTAIN CONTRACTS FOR CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS.

President Henderson asked Clerk to read Ord 2020-04 for the first time re: AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE DIRECTOR OF PUBLIC SERVICE AND SAFETY TO NEGOTIATE AND PROCEED WITH PLANS, DEVELOPMENT OF SPECS, ADVERTISE FOR BID AND EXECUTE A CONSTRUCTION AGREEMENT FOR A PORTION OF BENTON STREET IN THE CITY OF WAPAKONETA, OHIO AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

The Mayor provided a copy of the following report:

Dec. 16 – Participated in Lodging Tax Committee meeting.

Dec. 16 – Attended Public Hearing on rezoning

Dec. 16 – Participated in City Council meeting.

Dec. 18 – Participated in meeting to discuss Sherwood Forest sewer extension

Dec. 19 – Met with Greg Myers and Tate Anderson to discuss Pratt Land acquisition.

Dec. 19 – Met with Denny Faller and Engineering to discuss storm water issues with David Schlenker and his attorneys

Dec. 30 – Viewed Sherwood Forest sewers after rain event

Jan. 2 – Met with Greg Myers to review and sign 25A Railway agreement

Jan. 2 – Met with Fritz Zwiebel to discuss land acquisition and solar project

Mr. Campbell asked how the TDS turned out regarding the sewer extension. Mayor Stinebaugh stated that the concern lies more with the flow of water.

Mr. Campbell asked for an update on the Schlenker lawsuit. Mayor Stinebaugh stated that improvements that need to be made on Primrose Dr. was discussed.

The Service Director gave the following report:

No report.

SCHEDULING OF COMMITTEE MEETINGS:

Tourism Commission will meet on Jan. 20th at 6:15pm at City Hall.

Miscellaneous Business –

Mr. Campbell encouraged Council to look at the new triplex on South Blackhoof St.

Motion by Doll, second by Metz to adjourn at 8:00p.m. Vote – 6 yeas, 0 nays. Motion passed.

President

Clerk of Council