

RECORD OF PROCEEDINGS
Minutes of Rossford City Council Meeting
Held January 25, 2016

The meeting was called to order by Mayor Neil Mackinnon III followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

ROLL CALL: Staczek, Oberdorf, Marquette, Eckel, Ruse, Wagner, and Minarcin all present.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES: Approval of regular council meeting minutes of January 11, 2016. Mr. Oberdorf moved and Mr. Staczek seconded the motion to approve the minutes. All ayes. Motion carried.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA: Agenda for regular council meeting of January 25, 2016 was presented to council. Ordinance #2016-04 was added to the agenda. Mr. Oberdorf moved and Mr. Staczek seconded the motion to accept the agenda as amended. All ayes. Motion carried.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Parks & Recreation committee report of January 11th was presented by Mr. Oberdorf (see written report)

REPORT OF MAYOR AND/OR ADMINISTRATOR

Mr. Scott said the work on the Colony Rd. pump station is ahead of schedule and that Colony Rd. will close tomorrow until mid-summer. He said Code Red calls will be made to all affected residents and the school has been contacted. He informed council of the civil service test on March 22nd for two new hires for public works, one immediate and one in early summer, said that the planning commission had given tentative approval for the soccer dome for Total Sports, reviewed plans for a soccer dome by another entity, and approved the change from M2 to Planned Commercial for the property behind Hunger, that the auditor was in last week for the first part of a compliance audit, that Rossford is one of only 21 entities in the state and the only one in NW Ohio with a AAA bond rating, and that the RPD annual report is available online. Mr. Marquette said he attended the planning commission meeting and it's great to see the growth but asked we take a hard look at the other proposed soccer dome site as some neighbors are concerned about water run-off.

Mayor Mackinnon introduced and swore in Anthony Allen as our newest police sergeant. He said tonight will be the first reading of an ordinance regarding the property across from the casino and introduced developer Dallas Paul as a first class developers. Mr. Paul said his company Industrial Developers Ltd. is located at 6705 Wales Rd. Northwood, OH and that they started the rezoning process for this property last week with the planning commission. He said currently the property is zoned M2 which is heavy industrial and the want to change to planned commercial. He said ODOT is cooperating with the city and his company on an access road that will open up this property to mixed uses such as hotel, restaurants, entertainment and shops. He said there are a lot of challenges with the property including wetlands but these will be addressed. He said they want to be patient and do it right. He also said they are excited about the project which is the preliminary stages of planning at this point so there are no details to share. Mrs. Eckel said she is excited about this and it will be a great project for the city.

CORRESPONDENCE

Council was advised of two pieces of correspondence – 1) a liquor transfer request from Wayward Inn to Petros Express LLC and 2) a newly elected councilman seminar.

ORDINANCES

#2016 - 01 - AN ORDINANCE ACCEPTING THE APPLICATION FOR ANNEXATION FILED BY PETITIONERS/ OWNERS CAROL BROSSIA STEPHENS, SUCCESSOR TRUSTEE; J. SCOTT FULLER; JIM P. FULLER; ROBIN E. FULLER; MATTHEW J. WARTON; CHARLES F. RINKER; AND THE OHIO TURNPIKE COMMISSION, AS REQUIRED BY THE OHIO REVISED CODE.

Mr. Ruse moved and Mrs. Eckel seconded the motion to read by title only. All ayes. Motion carried. Mayor Mackinnon said he urges council to approve this as it is a great opportunity for Rossford to add 143 acres to the city but only three residences requiring services. He does not see a downside to this saying he has been contacted by two separate entities that are interested in developing this property. This was given a second reading only.

#2016 – 02 - AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE AMENDMENT OF THE ZONING MAP OF THE CITY OF ROSSFORD AND ADOPTING A NEW ZONING MAP OF THE CITY OF ROSSFORD

Mr. Staczek moved and Mr. Ruse seconded the motion to read by title only. All ayes. Motion carried. Mr. Heban asked that this be given a first reading only as he is still working on one issue regarding the correct ration for the M-2 zoning portion. This was given a first reading only.

#2016 – 03 - AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING AMENDING THE CONTRACT WITH ED KELLY & SONS, INC., ON THE HILLSDIE DRIVE REHABILITATION PROJECT; AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

Mr. Oberdorf moved and Mr. Ruse seconded the motion to read by title only. All ayes. Motion carried. Mr. Scott said this is an overage relative to the materials cost. Mr. Ruse recommended suspension of the second and third readings saying that this project was completed a while back and has been extensively reviewed. Mr. Ruse moved and Mr. Oberdorf seconded the motion to suspend with the second and third readings. Audience comments were requested and none received. Vote on the motion all ayes. Motion carried. Mr. Ruse moved and Mrs. Eckel seconded the motion to declare an emergency. All ayes. Motion carried. Mr. Ruse moved and Mr. Wagner seconded the motion to adopt. All ayes. Motion carried.

#2016-04 – AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING A CONTRACT WITH THE PUBLIC DEFENDERS COMMISSION OF WOOD COUNTY FOR THE REPRESENTATION OF INDIGENT DEFENDANTS IN ORDINANCE ONLY CASES FILED BY THE CITY OF ROSSFORD AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

Mrs. Eckel moved and Mr. Staczek seconded the motion to read by title only. All ayes. Motion carried. Mr. Heban said this is the annual contract with the Wood County Public Defender's office for representing indigent defendants. He said that last year the cost was under \$1000. Mrs. Eckel moved and Mr. Oberdorf seconded the motion to suspend with the second and third readings. Audience comments were requested and none received. Vote on the motion all ayes. Motion carried. Mrs. Eckel moved and Mr. Wagner seconded the motion to declare an emergency. All ayes. Motion carried. Mrs. Eckel moved and Mr. Staczek seconded the motion to adopt. All ayes. Motion carried.

RESOLUTIONS

#2016 – 02 - A RESOLUTION TO APPROVE PAYMENT TO INDUSTRIAL CHEM LABS WHERE THE INVOICE WAS ISSUED PRIOR TO THE PURCHASE ORDER AND OHIO CAT WHERE INVOICE EXCEEDED QUOTATION.

Mr. Minarcin moved and Mr. Staczek seconded the motion to read by title only. All ayes. Motion carried. Mr. Scott said these were expenses incurred prior to a purchase order being issued. Mr. Marquette asked why the expense for Ohio Cat was so much higher than quoted and Chief Drouard said this was due to unforeseen repairs needed as they got into the work. Mrs. Freeman said we are asking only for permission to pay up to the \$70,000 that was approved by council and that Chief Drouard is talking with Ohio Cat regarding the overage. Mr. Ruse moved and Mr. Minarcin seconded the motion to suspend with the second and third readings. Audience comments were requested and none received. Vote on the motion all ayes. Motion carried. Mr. Ruse moved and Mr. Minarcin seconded the motion to adopt. All ayes. Motion carried.

COUNCIL REMARKS

Mr. Minarcin said there are times that votes come about that not everyone agrees with and questioned people on council driving an issue that was already approved by council

Mr. Staczek said Mr. Ledesma is doing a great job at the recreation center and he has received many compliments regarding him.

Mr. Oberdorf asked Mrs. Freeman to explain her memo regarding the tax review board. Mrs. Freeman said the city has always had a tax review board but due to new House Bill 5 that we need to change the composition of the board. She explained the new criteria for membership and said that council will appoint two members and the mayor one. Mr. Oberdorf asked council to email names of prospective members. He also thanked Mr. Kolb for the year-end report on the public works department.

Mrs. Eckel thanked Mr. Kolb for his efforts on the civil service test for new public works employees, said we need to schedule a public works committee meeting and congratulated the new police sergeant.

Mr. Marquette reminded everyone of the spaghetti dinner tomorrow prior to the Lake/Rossford basketball game which is a benefit for two cancer patients from the respective schools.

Mr. Ruse left the meeting at this time due to a prior commitment.

Mayor Mackinnon also noted that benefit event and said the event honoring the players, coaches and staff from the 1966 RHS state runner-up basketball team was a great event.

AUDIENCE REMARKS

Larry Bridenbaugh, 822 Lime City Rd. questioned the railroad crossing being blocked for over 8 hours last Saturday. Mayor Mackinnon said they will contact CSX again and Chief Goss said he had called them and was told it was due to lack of train crews due the storm on the east coast. Mr. Minarcin suggested we increase the fine from what it is now and Mr. Heban said that the courts have ruled that railroads are a municipal entity and not subject to fines.

Jeff Appelhans, 177 Hannum said he had requested the opt out card from the gas aggregation company on December 18th and not received yet.

Becky Drayton, 1236 Schreier Rd. asked about connecting the sidewalks on the other side of Lime City Rd. from the proposed bike path. Mrs. Eckel said that is the goal but there is no course of action yet. Mrs. Drayton said maybe the two way stop at Schreier should be made a four way stop. Chief Goss said that may create more problems with traffic backed up over the tracks.

Mr. Staczek moved and Mr. Minarcin seconded the motion to adjourn. All ayes. Motion carried.

Neil Mackinnon III
Mayor

Robert P. Watrol
Clerk of Council