

**RECORD OF PROCEEDINGS**  
Minutes of Rossford City Council Meeting  
Held February 14, 2011

The meeting was called to order by Mayor William Verbosky Jr. and was opened with the Pledge of Allegiance.

**ROLL CALL:** Mackinnon, Oberdorf, Eckel, Marquette, Hermes, Scott, and Duricek all present.

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES:** Approval of special council meeting minutes of January 24, 2011. Mr. Oberdorf moved and Mr. Duricek seconded the motion to approve the minutes. All ayes. Motion carried. Approval of regular council meeting minutes of January 24, 2011. Mrs. Eckel moved and Mr. Duricek seconded the motion to approve the minutes. All ayes. Motion carried.

**APPROVAL OF AGENDA:** Agenda for regular council meeting of February 14, 2011 was presented to council. Recreation committee report was added to the agenda. Mr. Duricek moved and Mrs. Eckel seconded the motion to approve the agenda as amended. All ayes. Motion carried.

**COMMITTEE REPORTS**

Recreation committee report from January 27, 2011 was presented to council by Mr. Oberdorf (see written report attached).

**REPORT OF MAYOR AND/OR ADMINISTRATOR**

Mayor Verbosky said that he believes the CSX/Indian Ridge situation he had told council about previously has been taking care of with the engine being moved farther down the line. He noted that Mr. Mackinnon will assume the same committee positions held by Mr. Richards and that the February Planning Commission meeting was cancelled as the developer was not ready to make a presentation. He hopes that this will occur at the March meeting and that a discussion will also take place regarding garages based on the Schreier Rd. problem. He said he highly recommends Betty Woods for reappointment to the Wood County Board of Health.

Mr. Ciecka said he has been in contact with ODOT and a construction schedule for the street lighting project is expected this week and that he is also in discussion with ODOT regarding a street lighting project from the end of the boulevard to Eagle Point Rd. based on additional stimulus money becoming available and that project scoring highest. He said that a memo was sent to the judiciary committee regarding a proposed policy on use of social media and that they will need to meet and discuss this.

**CORRESPONDENCE**

None

**ORDINANCES**

**#2011-06 – AN ORDINANCE PROVIDING FOR THE ISSUANCE AND SALE OF \$750,000 OF NOTES, IN ANTICIPATION OF THE ISSUANCE OF BONDS, TO PAY COSTS OF ACQUIRING CERTAIN ROADS AND APPURTENANCES AND INTERESTS THERIN FOR PUBLIC USE AS PART OF THE CITY’S SYSTEM OF PUBLIC STREETS, AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.**

Mr. Hermes moved and Mr. Scott seconded the motion to read by title only. All ayes. Motion carried. Mr. Ciecka said this ordinance and the next were reviewed with the Budget committee. This note is paid down using RTID assessments from the Crossroads. The note was at \$1.01million last year and is now at \$906,000. This was given a first reading only.

**#2011-07 – AN ORDINANCE PROVIDING FOR THE ISSUANCE AND SALE OF \$100,000 OF NOTES, IN ANTICIPATION OF THE ISSUANCE OF BONDS, TO PROVIDE FUNDS TO REDEEM THE OUTSTANDING PRINCIPAL AMOUNT OF THE CITY’S COMMUNITY CENTER CONSTRUCTION BONDS AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.**

Mr. Hermes moved and Mr. Scott seconded the motion to read by title only. All ayes. Motion carried. Mr. Ciecka said this is similar to the previous ordinance. This is for a one year note in a pay down status. Last year’s note of \$205,000 was paid down to this \$100,000 amount. The notes will be marketed on March 29<sup>th</sup> and have a sale date of April 13<sup>th</sup> and council will receive an ordinance prior to that date to accept the rate. Mr. Ciecka said the city has an

S&P rating of A+. Mr. Hermes said bond counsel told the budget committee that the 5% interest rate was a cushion percentage and that the note will most likely be in the 1% range. This was given a first reading only.

**#2011-08 - AN ORDINANCE MAKING CERTAIN ADDITIONS TO AND CHANGES TO THE EXPENSE APPROPRIATIONS FOR THE YEAR BEGINNING JANUARY 1, 2011 AND ENDING DECEMBER 31, 2011, AMENDING ORDINANCE 2010-53; AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.**

Mr. Marquette moved and Mr. Hermes seconded the motion to read by title only. All ayes. Motion carried. Mr. Ciecka said this ordinance will set the stage for the next two ordinances. \$45,000 was appropriated in the budget for recreation capital improvements and this will add \$30,000 to that amount. The money is available from the Recreation Capital Improvement Fund levy. Mr. Oberdorf moved and Mr. Scott seconded the motion to suspend with the second and third reading. Audience comments were requested and none received. Vote on the motion all ayes. Motion carried. Mr. Oberdorf moved and Mr. Scott seconded the motion to declare an emergency. All ayes. Motion carried. Mr. Oberdorf moved and Mr. Scott seconded the motion to adopt. All ayes. Motion carried.

**#2011-09 – AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE AWARD OF A CONTRACT FOR TANKLESS WATER HEATING SYSTEM FOR THE RECREATION CENTER AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.**

Mr. Oberdorf moved and Mr. Duricek seconded the motion to read by title only. All ayes. Motion carried. Mr. Ciecka said he is asking to waive the \$10,000 competitive bid requirement under Rossford's code and follow the state requirement of \$25,000. He does have three quotes but they were not done as a competitive bid. Mr. Hermes said this was discussed at the budget committee meeting and received unanimous support. Mr. Oberdorf moved and Mr. Duricek seconded the motion to suspend with the second and third reading. Audience comments were requested and none received. Vote on the motion all ayes. Motion carried. Mr. Oberdorf moved and Mr. Duricek seconded the motion to declare an emergency. All ayes. Motion carried. Mr. Oberdorf moved and Mr. Duricek seconded the motion to adopt. All ayes. Motion carried.

**#2010-10 – AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE PURCHASE OF LIFE FITNESS CIRCUIT TRAINING EQUIPMENT AND EXERGAME FITNESS EQUIPMENT AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.**

Mr. Oberdorf moved and Mr. Scott seconded the motion to read by title only. All ayes. Motion carried. Mr. Ciecka said this ordinance will allow the city to purchase Life Fitness equipment through the state cooperative purchasing program which exempts us from the competitive bid requirement and the other equipment is not suitable for competitive bidding. Mr. Kovasevic said this is part of upgrading the weight room equipment and is new state of the art equipment. It had dual uses so will create more room in the weight room as they reduce from 12 to 9 machines. They are adding a Jacob's Ladder and a Stair Climber as well as converting one of the meeting rooms to a full-time fitness studio for Zumba and personal trainer classes. Mr. Marquette noted that the word police rather than recreation was used in section 4 of the ordinance.

*Mr. Oberdorf moved and Mr. Scott seconded the motion to amend the ordinance with the correction to section 4. All ayes. Motion carried.*

Mr. Oberdorf moved and Mr. Scott seconded the motion to suspend with the second and third reading. Audience comments were requested and none received. Vote on the motion all ayes. Motion carried. Mr. Oberdorf moved and Mr. Duricek seconded the motion to declare an emergency. All ayes. Motion carried. Mr. Oberdorf moved and Mr. Duricek seconded the motion to adopt as amended. All ayes. Motion carried.

## **RESOLUTIONS**

**#2011 – 01 – A RESOLUTION TO APPROVE THE MAYOR'S REAPPOINTMENT OF BETTY WOODS TO THE WOOD COUNTY BOARD OF HEALTH.**

Mr. Duricek moved and Mrs. Eckel seconded the motion to read by title only. All ayes. Motion carried. Mrs. Eckel moved and Mr. Duricek seconded the motion to suspend with the second and third reading. Audience comments were requested and none received. Vote on the motion all ayes. Motion carried. Mrs. Eckel moved and Mr. Duricek seconded the motion to adopt. All ayes. Motion carried.

## **COUNCIL REMARKS**

Mr. Marquette commented on the letter to the editor in the Rossford Record questioning council's appointment of Mr. Mackinnon and said he has nothing but the highest regard for the other candidates but stands by the decision that was made.

Mrs. Eckel thinks that the work done by the public works department goes greatly unnoticed and wanted to commend them for the great job they did during the recent snow and cold period in keeping our roads safe.

Mr. Oberdorf said the blue and yellow bags being thrown in the street or driveway are an annoyance. He wishes they could take a couple more steps and get them on the porch. He said he couldn't agree more on the great job done by the public works department and said he thinks all our departments – fire, police, administration, and mayor – do a fantastic job.

Mr. Mackinnon thanked Mr. Marquette and the rest of council for their vote of confidence in him two weeks ago. He said he had reached out to the people who wrote the letter referenced by Mr. Marquette and said they are very nice people who he plans to meet with soon. He said that the safety committee will meet at 5:30pm on February 28<sup>th</sup> to discuss fire issues only.

Mr. Duricek said we will see more blue and yellow bags as the snow melts. He thinks maybe we should pick them up and deliver them back.

Mr. Scott said things are moving along with the Rossford Convention and Visitors Bureau as they work with Bowling Green's Bureau to get an agreement signed for them to handle the administrative functions. They are also working on an agreement to allow Rossford to share Bowling Green's director. These agreements hopefully will be signed next week. The RCVB will be at the RBA Business Fair. Recently they held a four hour strategy session and discussed plans for moving forward.

#### **AUDIENCE REMARKS**

Steve Vedra, 170 Hannum Ave. asked who owns the railroad crossing on Dixie Highway by Pilkington. Mr. Ciecka said that crossing is the responsibility of Pilkington. Mr. Vedra asked if it can be repaired this year as he brought this up over a year ago. Mr. Vedra said the ordinances on snow removal need to be enforced and if the zoning inspector is responsible for issuing warnings than he should have police powers.

Jim Verbosky, 302 Jennings, said after his problem with the blue and yellow bags he tracked the people down who deliver them and all they do is toss them from their car on Friday nights.

Mr. Scott reminded everyone that the marina committee will meet tomorrow at 5:00pm.

*Mr. Hermes moved and Mr. Scott seconded the motion to go into executive session to discuss negotiations with the fire department. All ayes. Motion carried.*

*Mr. Scott moved and Mr. Hermes seconded the motion to return to regular session. All ayes. Motion carried.*

*Mr. Scott moved and Mr. Hermes seconded the motion to adjourn. All ayes. Motion carried.*

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William Verbosky Jr.  
Mayor

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Robert P. Watrol  
Clerk of Council