

RECORD OF PROCEEDINGS
Minutes of Rossford City Council Meeting
Held March 26, 2012

The meeting was called to order by Mayor Neil Mackinnon III, and was opened with the Pledge of Allegiance.

ROLL CALL: Oberdorf, Eckel, Marquette, Ruse, Scott, and Duricek all present. Mr. Oberdorf moved and Mr. Duricek seconded the motion to excuse Mr. Staczek who is out of town on business. All ayes. Motion carried.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES: Approval of regular council meeting minutes of March 12, 2012. Mr. Oberdorf moved and Mr. Duricek seconded the motion to approve the minutes. All ayes. Motion carried.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA: Agenda for regular council meeting of March 26, 2012 was presented to council. Committee reports from Zoning Regulations and Technology, Economic Development and Planning, and TARTA special committee were added to the agenda along with an executive session for discussion of collective bargaining agreement. Mr. Duricek moved and Mr. Scott seconded the motion to approve the agenda as amended. All ayes. Motion carried.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Economic Development committee report of March 12th presented by Mr. Scott (see written report). Mr. Scott said he had attended the Wood County Port Authority meeting with Mr. Miller and they had agreed to give Mr. Miller a grant of \$2500 towards this study. Mr. Marquette noted that the city of Oregon is also considering an ice rink facility.

TARTA special committee report from March 21st was presented by Mr. Oberdorf (see written report). Mr. Oberdorf said it was a very productive meeting with a lot of brainstorming and that he also heard that the meeting between the consultant and TARTA had went very well. Mr. Marquette asked if our local TARTA representative Mr. Szilagyie is involved in this and was told yes.

Zoning Regulations and Technology committee report of March 19th was presented by Mr. Marquette (see written report).

Mr. Ruse moved and Mr. Duricek seconded the motion to accept the committee reports as given. All ayes. Motion carried.

REPORT OF MAYOR AND/OR ADMINISTRATOR

Mr. Ciecka asked Mr. Heban give an explanation of his open meetings memo of March 19th. Mr. Heban said he had attended an open meeting seminar two weeks ago presented by the State Attorney General. He told council that anytime four councilmen are together and discuss city business even if church or elsewhere notification must be given 24 hours prior. The attorney general said that anytime four members of a seven member are together and discuss city business that is a public meeting. Two members of a three member committee is also a quorum and thus if any city business is discussed notice must be given. If a fourth councilman shows up at a three member committee meeting that is also a violation if they are part of the discussion. Mr. Oberdorf asked what happens if the mayor shows up at committee meeting and Mr. Heban said his advice is that the mayor not be part of the discussion as there is the potential he might be a voting member in the event of a 3-3 tie. Mrs. Eckel asked about a scheduled committee meeting that is posted and another councilman shows up. Mr. Heban said if four councilmen are present it is a council meeting not a committee meeting and is a violation of the open meeting law. Mr. Oberdorf asked what the ramifications are and was told a \$500 fine plus legal fees and that any action taken is void. Mr. Ruse asked about a situation where only 2 of the 3 committee members are present and another councilman is in the audience. Mr. Heban said that is ok as long as not four councilmen present. Mr. Scott asked about phone calls and was told by Mr. Heban that the same rules apply to what are called serial phone calls between councilman and that they are improper.

Mayor Mackinnon said he had one word for the RBA Fair – WOW – and that it was run perfectly with great attendance and he wanted to thank everyone involved. He said he had attended the Rossford Reverse Raffle and also the Wood County Development Dinner which had record attendance.

CORRESPONDENCE

None

ORDINANCES

2012 -20 - AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING A INTERGOVERNMENTAL CONTRACT WITH THE BOARD OF WOOD COUNTY COMMISSIONERS TO FURNISH EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT; AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

Mr. Oberdorf moved and Mr. Duricek seconded the motion to read by title only. All ayes. Motion carried. Mr. Heban said this was received from Wood County and is a standard ordinance. Mr. Ciecka said this represents a two year contract with Wood County Emergency Management which the city is required to do. Payment is based on .50cents per person in the city. Mr. Duricek moved and Mr. Scott seconded the motion to suspend with the second and third readings. Audience comments were requested and Joe Minarcin, 222 Jennings Rd. asked what the latest census showed for Rossford population and was told by Mr. Ciecka 6,293. Vote on the motion all ayes. Motion carried. Mr. Duricek moved and Mr. Scott seconded the motion to adopt. All ayes. Motion carried.

#2012-21 – AN ORDINANCE TO PROVIDE SUPPLEMENTAL APPROPRIATIONS FOR OPERATING EXPENDITURES AND TO AMEND THE ESTIMATE OF REVENUE FOR THE PERIOD BEGINNING JANUARY 1, 2012 AND ENDING DECEMBER 31, 2012 AMENDING ORDINANCE NO. 2011-55

Mr. Duricek moved and Mr. Scott seconded the motion to read by title only. All ayes. Motion carried. Mr. Ciecka said this is a supplemental appropriation for purchase of six replacement cameras for police cars and also an amendment of revenue to account for donation from Hollywood Casino for canine unit. Mrs. Eckel moved and Mr. Ruse 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. Duricek seconded the motion to declare an emergency. All ayes. Motion carried. Mrs. Eckel moved and Mr. Ruse seconded the motion to adopt. All ayes. Motion carried.

RESOLUTIONS

None

COUNCIL REMARKS

Mr. Oberdorf said the RBA Fair was fantastic and great for our area businesses and also a social experience for our citizens. He said he attended the NWWSD customer meeting and they did address the concerns regarding water bills and offered their help to our citizens.

Mrs. Eckel said she attended the RBA Fair and agreed it was a great event and set up very nice. She said she attended the Rossford High School reverse raffle and said she would be scheduling a public works meeting.

Mr. Oberdorf asked if anyone saw a need for an April committee of the whole meeting. Mr. Duricek moved and Mrs. Eckel seconded the motion to suspend with the April Committee of the Whole meeting. All ayes. Motion carried.

Mr. Ruse said he and a small committee are still meeting regarding banners for the new light poles and that a meeting is scheduled for tomorrow with the interested parties regarding the Buck/Lime City Rd. intersection.

Mr. Scott also said the RBA Fair was a great event.

Mr. Duricek said the RBA Fair was a great event and he was glad to see attendance was not affected by the move to Owens CC. He noted that Glenwood Rd. is looking cleaner and that the marina is 90% complete.

AUDIENCE REMARKS

Joe Minarcin, 220 Jennings asked about the status of the old lights on the boulevard and was told by Mr. Ciecka that after the new ones are fully functional they will be removed.

Jeff Appelhans, 177 Hannum, asked if the proposed ice rink would be part of the recreation department and was told no by Mr. Scott who said it would be a private development.

Mr. Oberdorf moved and Mr. Duricek seconded the motion to go into executive session to discuss collective bargaining agreement. All ayes. Motion carried.

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

Mr. Duricek moved and Mr. Oberdorf seconded the motion to amend the agenda and add Ordinance #2012-22. All ayes. Motion carried.

#2012-22 – AN ORDINANCE TO APPROVE THE COLLECTIVE BARGAINING AGREEMENT WITH THE INTERNATIONAL BROTHERHOOD OF ELECTRICAL WORKERS LOCAL UNION NO. 245: AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

Mr. Duricek moved and Mr. Oberdorf seconded the motion to read by title only. All ayes. Motion carried. Mr. Duricek 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. Duricek moved and Mr. Oberdorf seconded the motion to declare an emergency. All ayes. Motion carried. Mr. Duricek moved and Mr. Oberdorf seconded the motion to adopt. All ayes. Motion carried.

Mr. Oberdorf moved and Mr. Duricek seconded the motion to adjourn. All ayes. Motion carried.

*Neil Mackinnon, III
Mayor*

*Robert P. Watrol
Clerk of Council*