

RECORD OF PROCEEDINGS
Minutes of Rossford City Council Meeting
Held April 11, 2016

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

ROLL CALL: Staczek, Eckel, Marquette, Ruse, Wagner, Minarcin. Mr. Staczek moved and Mr. Minarcin seconded the motion to excuse Mr. Oberdorf. *Mrs. Eckel left the meeting.* All ayes except for Mrs. Eckel. Motion carried 5-0.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES: Minutes of March 28, 2016 regular council meeting were presented to council. Mr. Ruse requested that they be amended to include the Mayor's comment under "Committee Reports, Public Safety Committee Report," that the handicapped sign and spot would remain on Route 65. *Mrs. Eckel returned to the meeting.* Mr. Ruse moved and Mr. Wagner seconded the motion to approve the minutes of March 28th as amended. All ayes except Mrs. Eckel and Mr. Marquette who abstained. Motion carried 4-0.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA: Agenda for regular council meeting of April 11, 2016 was presented to council. Brian Conaway from Waste Management was added to speak about the yard waste program and an executive session was added to discuss contract negotiations, pending litigation, and personnel issues. Mr. Ruse moved and Mr. Wagner seconded the motion to approve the agenda as amended. All ayes. Motion carried.

PRESENTATION: Brian Conaway from Waste Management, 19200 West Eight Mile Road, Southfield, Michigan, updated council on yard waste billing issues. Waste Management has begun billing our residents annually for yard waste service, April through March. There are 286 residents using the yard waste program. They will continue to work through the billing issues with our residents. Mr. Marquette asked how Waste Management manages yard waste material and Mr. Conaway responded that yard waste material is composted at another facility. Mr. Scott remarked that Mr. Conaway has been very helpful in trying to get our residents' billing issues corrected. There were no questions from the audience.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Finance & Insurance committee report of March 28, 2016 was presented by Mr. Minarcin (see written report).

Mr. Wagner moved and Mr. Minarcin seconded the motion to go into executive session for the purpose of discussing contract negotiations, pending litigation, and personnel issues. All ayes. Motion carried.

Mr. Staczek moved and Mr. Wagner seconded the motion to return to regular session. All ayes. Motion carried.

REPORT OF MAYOR AND/OR ADMINISTRATOR

Mr. Scott thanked Public Works on the fantastic job they did removing snow from our latest snowfall event, April 8 & 9, 2016. Any brush/branch that fell will be picked up during our upcoming scheduled brush and branch pick-up since two of our trucks are now out of commission after the snow. We have an Arbor Day ceremony scheduled for April 29, 2016 at 2:00 p.m. at Island View Park. This year's tree is in memory of Michael Jakubec, son of former Councilwoman Molly Jakubec and her husband Gene. This ceremony is open to the public and all are welcome. The marina opens this Saturday, April 16, 2016. Day shift guard coverage begins on May 6, 2016 with full-time coverage beginning Monday, May 9, 2016. We will be receiving eight "no wake idle speed" buoys from the Ohio Department of Natural

Resources. The Recreation Center has hired a new Assistant Director, Alexa Owen, who has been with the City since 1995 in a number of capacities. The Rec Center is also looking to hire a new person due to the recent resignation of Andrew Falk. Bidding is ongoing for the tennis court restoration at Vets Park and the date for Riverfest has been set for August 20, 2016. The Fire Department call volumes are consistent with last year at his time. They have set up a new Duty Officer program where an EMT can take a vehicle home and respond directly to a scene which cuts down on response time and gets somebody on scene right away. This is going very well. It is a voluntary program and the person does not get extra pay. Also, we are in the process of setting up an internal system to charge for false alarms and for fire inspections. The State of Ohio is mandating police accreditations and Police Chief Goss is reviewing mandates to make appropriate updates to manuals. Officers will be required to attend 11 hours of continuing education classes this year. The State will have some funding available. The delivery date for the new Tahoe should be in May. It should be on the streets in June after the addition of light bars and safety equipment. The Colony Road Pump Station Abandonment Project continues. The boring bit is still stuck. Colony Road will be closed until mid-summer. The inside lanes and turn lanes have been milled on the Crossroads paving project. They will begin paving tomorrow. The milling of the outside lanes will continue from there. Funding for that project comes from the Rossford TIF. Lime City bridge work will begin on or about June 6, 2016. The bridge will remain closed for about 60 days. The Public Works hire is in process. There are 10 certified people on the list. Background checks are being conducted now with two positions to be filled. Upcoming events include Rite Aid's 1st Annual Children's Miracle Network Car Show on April 23, 2016 from 10:00 a.m. until 3:00 p.m. in the Rite Aid parking lot. All proceeds go to Children's Miracle Network. Brush pick-up is scheduled for April 25-29, 2016. Waste Management issues have been addressed by Brian Conaway earlier. Mike will be on vacation from April 12 – 18, 2016. The Mayor and Finance Director are his back-ups. NWWSD is hosting an open house on May 1, 2016 from 1-4 p.m.

Mr. Staczek asked if the issue of how Elm Tree Rd. was finally going to be finished off has made it through committee yet. Mrs. Eckel responded no. Mr. Staczek asked if it would be done before work gets started. Mrs. Eckel stated they would schedule a committee meeting.

Mayor MacKinnon welcomed back Ken Szczesniak after his hiatus. Mayor MacKinnon thanked the cast and crew of RHS Drama Club's 9 to 5 production. The Mayor also thanked Tyler Kolb and his Public Works Department on the handling of our recent snow event.

CORRESPONDENCE

Council was advised of two pieces of correspondence – 1) a hearing request notice regarding a liquor permit application from Double CB, Inc., DBA Reset at 27250 Crossroad Parkway and 2) an invitation from NWWSD to attend their Annual Meeting and Open House.

ORDINANCES

#2016-12 AMENDED – AN ORDINANCE DIRECTING THE FINANCE DIRECTOR TO DECERTIFY TO THE COUNTY AUDITOR AN ASSESSMENT AND LIEN UPON CERTAIN PROPERTY IN THE CITY OF ROSSFORD PURSUANT TO THE ROSSFORD MUNICIPAL CODE, AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY. THIRD READING

Mr. Wagner moved and Mr. Staczek seconded the motion to read by title only. All ayes. Motion carried. Mr. Ruse moved and Mr. Wagner seconded the motion to adopt. All ayes. Motion carried.

#2016-13 AMENDED – AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE REPEAL OF ROSSFORD MUNICIPAL CODE CHAPTER 139, FIRE DEPARTMENT, AND ENACTING A NEW ROSSFORD MUNICIPAL CODE CHAPTER 139, FIRE DEPARTMENT. THIRD READING

Mr. Minarcin moved and Mr. Wagner seconded the motion to ready by title only. All ayes. Motion carried. Mr. Wagner moved and Mr. Minarcin seconded the motion to adopt. All ayes. Motion carried.

RESOLUTIONS

#2016-12 – A RESOLUTION TO APPROVE THE APPOINTMENT OF KENNETH GWOZDZ TO THE BOARD OF TAX REVIEW, AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY. SECOND READING

Mrs. Eckel moved and Mr. Staczek seconded the motion to read by title only. All ayes. Motion carried. Mr. Marquette moved and Mrs. Eckel seconded the motion to suspend with the third reading. Audience comments were requested and none received. All ayes. Motion carried. Mr. Marquette moved and Mrs. Eckel seconded the motion to declare an emergency. All ayes. Motion carried. Mr. Marquette moved and Mrs. Eckel seconded the motion to adopt. All ayes. Motion carried.

#2016-13 – A RESOLUTION TO APPROVE THE MAYOR’S APPOINTMENT OF KEVIN A. HEBAN TO THE BOARD OF TAX REVIEW, AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY. SECOND READING

Mrs. Eckel moved and Mr. Staczek seconded the motion to read by title only. All ayes. Motion carried. Mr. Wagner asked about a conflict of interest with Mr. Heban’s appointment to this board. Mr. Heban clarified that there is no conflict because RITA attorneys would handle all tax issues for the City. Mrs. Eckel moved and Mr. Staczek seconded the motion to suspend the third reading. Audience comments were requested and none received. All ayes. Motion carried. Mrs. Eckel moved and Mr. Staczek 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.

The Mayor thanked Elaine Bishop for filling in for Bob Watrol as Clerk.

COUNCIL REMARKS

Mr. Staczek recognized Tyler Kolb and crew on the great job they do. He welcomed back Ken Szczesniak and requested that the Zoning Inspector attend council meetings to get everyone on the same page while spring cleanup is occurring.

Mrs. Eckel thought declaring a “Tyler Kolb” day in Rossford would be a good idea. She congratulated the Perrysburg Drama Department on their successful season. She also suggested that any letters being sent out by the City should have a name and signature on them so people know who to respond to. She would like to talk to the train people to discuss the bridge being out, which has already been done.

Mr. Ruse suggested that we get in touch with the train track maintenance people to consider doing upgrades to the two tracks down there while the bridge is closed. The last work that was done was very minimal and, in fact, there is a bent spike on one crossing. Mayor MacKinnon requested that we reach out to the railroad and have them remove the spike. Mr. Ruse then recognized Tyler Kolb’s work, as well.

AUDIENCE REMARKS

Nolan Keeper, Troop 62 said that he was here to talk about the 50% tax increase for his citizenship and community merit badge.

Megan Kusner, a Notre Dame Academy senior said she was in attendance in order to fulfill her government hours for school.

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

*Neil A. MacKinnon III
Mayor*

*Robert P. Watrol
Clerk of Courts*