

RECORD OF PROCEEDINGS
Minutes of Rossford City Council Meeting
Held April 22, 2013

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

ROLL CALL: Staczek, Oberdorf, Eckel, Marquette, Ruse, Scott, and Duricek all present.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES: Approval of regular council meeting minutes of April 8, 2013. Mr. Oberdorf moved and Mr. Duricek seconded the motion to approve the minutes. Staczek, Oberdorf, Eckel, Marquette, and Duricek all aye. Ruse and Scott abstained. Motion carried 5-0.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA: Agenda for regular council meeting of April 22, 2013 was presented to council. Mr. Scott moved and Mr. Duricek seconded the motion to approve the agenda. All ayes. Motion carried.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

None

REPORT OF MAYOR AND/OR ADMINISTRATOR

Mr. Ciecka reminded council of the Arbor Day planting to be held April 26th at 11:00am at Vets Park honoring Chester Gwozdz.

Mayor Mackinnon introduced the representatives from the RCVB. Wendy Stram presented the annual report (see written report). Beth Genson talked about the upcoming Chautauqua event to be held July 9-13th. She said they are excited to bring this event to Rossford and encouraged everyone to check the website for updated schedules of events. She is looking forward to seeing everyone there. Mr. Scott thanked Wendy and Beth for their efforts on our behalf. He also mentioned the large number of visitors to Rossford as a result of the various bowling tournaments held at Interstate Lanes.

Mayor Mackinnon congratulated the cast and crew of "State Fair" for a job well done, saying he is very proud of them and that the directors Ryan Mahaffey and Julie Zatko did a great job. At this time he then swore in two new part-time police officers Nathan Eikost and Kurt Schroedor. Mr. Eikost thanked the Mayor and Police Chief for this opportunity to begin his career here. Mr. Schroedor said he grew up in Whitehouse, OH. and that he is looking forward to working with the community and also thanked the Mayor and Police Chief for the opportunity.

CORRESPONDENCE

None

ORDINANCES

#2013 – 15 - AN ORDINANCE TO PLACE ON THE BALLOT AT THE NEXT GENERAL ELECTION A CHARTER AMENDMENT TO CHANGE THE COMPENSATION OF THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF ROSSFORD, AND TO DECLARE AN EMERGENCY.

Mr. Oberdorf moved and Mr. Staczek seconded the motion to read by title only. All ayes. Motion carried. This was given a second reading only.

#2013 – 16 - AN ORDINANCE TO PLACE ON THE BALLOT AT THE NEXT GENERAL ELECTION A CHARTER AMENDMENT TO CHANGE THE COMPENSATION OF THE MAYOR OF THE CITY OF ROSSFORD, AND TO DECLARE AN EMERGENCY.

Mr. Scott moved and Mrs. Eckel seconded the motion to read by title only. All ayes. Motion carried. Mayor Mackinnon said he agrees it is time for council to receive a pay increase and that looking at other communities it is deserved. He said though that no one does this for the money or pension. In his own case he said he has only been mayor for thirteen months and feels uncomfortable with receiving a pay increase and it would be his wish that he not receive this. This was given a second reading only.

#2013-17 – AN ORDINANCE APPROVING A PARTICIPATION AGREEMENT WITH THE OHIO DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION IN THE PURCHASE OF SODIUM CHLORIDE (ROCK SALT) FOR THE 2013-2014 WINTER SEASON; AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

Mr. Scott moved and Mr. Duricek seconded the motion to read by title only. All ayes. Motion carried. Mr. Ciecka said we are part of a participation with ODOT as larger quantity purchases receive a better discount. He and Mr. Kolb are recommending the purchase of 700 tons for the next winter season and he would like this passed tonight as the deadline is May 1. 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. Duricek seconded the motion to adopt. All ayes. Motion carried.

#2013-11 – AN ORDINANCE APPROVING A COOPERATION AGREEMENT WITH THE WOOD COUNTY ENGINEER AND PERRYSBURG TOWNSHIP IN THE BUCK ROAD AND LIME CITY ROAD IMPROVEMENT PROJECT: AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY. TABLED ON 3/25 UNTIL 4/22.

Mr. Ruse moved and Mrs. Eckel seconded the motion to read by title only. Mr. Duricek said the community talk has been that this project is dead but the RTID minutes show it is not but that the scope of the project is not known yet. Mrs. Eckel agreed with Mr. Duricek saying the scope is not decided yet but that this is a step towards cooperating with our neighbors on an intersection that needs to be improved and an important project for our community. Mr. Marquette asked what this entails and Mr. Heban said section 2 says the city would pay the cost of right-of-way acquisition. Mr. Marquette asked if council would vote again when the project scope was decided and was told no. Mr. Marquette said that we are almost voting blindly on the project. Mr. Ruse said he knows the maximum extent of what the project could be and that the hope is that a 30% reduction in traffic counts will reduce this. He said we know that intersection warrants at least a traffic signal. Mr. Marquette asked how much money are we talking from the city and Mr. Ciecka said the estimate is \$400,000 subject to negotiation. Mr. Staczek said we don't know all the numbers, we have no agreements with property owners on property acquisition and he has a hard time with Rossford absorbing the majority of the cost. He said the pie may shrink but that the dollar costs are not divided evenly. Mr. Oberdorf said we all represent constituents but that sometime we have to make unpopular decisions. He said if we don't do this now it will cost us more in the long run and that this is the best decision for the city. Mr. Duricek said he is comfortable with the process this time and understands it better. Mr. Scott moved and Mr. Ruse seconded the motion to adopt. Scott, Ruse, Marquette, Eckel, Oberdorf, and Duricek aye. Staczek nay. Motion carried 6-1.

RESOLUTIONS

None

COUNCIL REMARKS

Mr. Duricek said the RTID minutes give updates on the Glenwood Rd. bridge project and other projects being worked on. He also said some boats are in the marina already.

Mr. Scott noted that from May 3 to May 5 events will be held in commemoration of the 200th anniversary of the first siege of Ft. Meigs.

Mr. Ruse said he will be scheduling TARTA and Public Works committee meetings.

Mrs. Eckel congratulated the RHS Drama club on their recent theatre production.

Mr. Oberdorf echoed Mrs. Eckel and also congratulated Julie Zatzko and Ryan Mahaffey, the directors of the play, saying it was an excellent performance.

Mr. Staczek asked Mr. Ciecka if the city gives any money to the VFW towards the Memorial Day Parade and was told yes, when a letter of request is received. He thanked the Rossford Fire Dept. for their recent rescue call on a choking incident involving him personally and also said their recent purchase of the Lucas Device has already saved three lives.

Mr. Oberdorf asked if anyone saw a need for a May Committee of the Whole meeting and seeing none Mr. Duricek moved and Mrs. Eckel seconded the motion to suspend with the May Committee of the Whole meeting. All ayes. Motion carried.

AUDIENCE REMARKS

Debbie Zuchowski, 202 Hillside, said the traffic at Buck Rd. is all buses from other school districts and why can't they help to pay for this project. Mayor Mackinnon said that Penta is helping with the project by contributing right-of-way and \$150,000.

Steve Vedra, 170 Hannum, said that if Penta wants us to help with this project they should annex to the city. He said Wood County and Perrysburg Township only want to be involved with us when they need money.

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

Neil Mackinnon, III
Mayor

Robert P. Watrol
Clerk of Council