

**RECORD OF PROCEEDINGS**  
Minutes of Rossford City Council Meeting  
Held April 28, 2008

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

ROLL CALL: Richards, Eckel, Marquette, Hermes, and Michaels all present. Mr. Kovach is expected shortly. Mr. Richards moved and Mr. Hermes seconded the motion to excuse Mr. Oberdorf who had a personal conflict. All ayes. Motion carried. Mr. Kovach entered the meeting at this time.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES: Approval of regular council meeting minutes of April 14, 2008. Mr. Richards moved and Mr. Marquette seconded the motion to approve the minutes. All ayes. Motion carried.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA: Agenda for regular council meeting of April 28, 2008 was presented to council. Reports from the Budget, Ways, and Means, and Public Works committees were added. . Mr. Richards moved and Mrs. Eckel seconded the motion to approve the agenda as amended. All ayes. Motion carried.

**COMMITTEE REPORTS**

Mrs. Eckel presented the public works committee report of April 17th (see minutes). Mayor Verbosky said that the NWSD will make a presentation at the May 12<sup>th</sup> council meeting. Mr. Hermes asked for a definition of I & I, and was told by Mrs. Eckel it stands for infiltration and inflow. Mr. Hermes also asked about item #10 and the need to please the EPA, and was told by Mrs. Eckel that having the building in that location puts pressure on the cap. Mr. Ciecka said this is the gray building at the front of the landfill and that currently the building has to be monitored for methane gas and that removing the building will allow us to remove the monitors inside that building. Mr. Hermes asked if we are still using the same priority list for street paving and Mrs. Eckel said she believed so. Mr. Hermes said savings realized from not having Mr. Avers salary have went towards gas costs and other items; they are not just sitting there accruing. Mrs. Eckel said a vacuum truck has been needed for some time and we need to look for a way to purchase it. Mr. Hermes said it needs to be a budget request. Mayor Verbosky would like to see some numbers as to how much that vac truck is utilized. Mr. Michaels said the public works department is doing a very good job but that the committee just wanted to see how much money is being saved by not replacing Bill Avers and having some of the work done in-house and by NWSD. Mr. Richards agreed with the statement about the public works department in that they do an amazing job. He would like to know how many hours a year a vacuum truck would be run. He also had a question on the Buck/Lime City Rd. project in that the report says the entrance to Penta will be a roundabout but he wondered about the intersection. Mrs. Eckel said only two alternatives met the grading requirement for federal funds for the intersection, a roundabout or signalized intersection. Mr. Richards asked about Hannum Ave. and Mrs. Eckel explained that it was only slurry sealed which will prolong the life of the existing road somewhat but not as much as a total resurfacing. Mr. Marquette asked who are the decision makers on the Buck/Lime City Rd. intersection and was told by Mr. Ciecka that the stakeholders are the county, city, Perrysburg Township, ODOT, and Penta. Mr. Marquette asked what is being done on Lime City Rd. now and Mr. Ciecka said the catch basins are being repaired in anticipation of the resurfacing. Mayor Verbosky said that Bill Avers duties had been contracted out to NWSD. Mr. Kovach said that while Dave Jones would like a new vacuum truck he would be happy with a used one if can find one. Mr. Hermes presented the written budget committee report of April 14th (see minutes). He had given a verbal report at the last council meeting. Mr. Richards moved and Mr. Michaels seconded the motion to accept the committee reports as given. All ayes. Motion carried.

**REPORT OF MAYOR AND/OR ADMINISTRATOR**

Mayor Verbosky reported that on the 16<sup>th</sup> the city hosted the second grade of Eagle Point School who visited the city offices and fire department. He informed council that in celebration of Arbor Day and our

designation again as a Tree City USA a planting of two trees took place on April 25<sup>th</sup> at Eagle Point School. He thanked Betty Woods for setting this up and the public works department for planting and the administrator at the school for having the whole school participate in the ceremony. He said he had visited and welcomed to the city the general managers of Hampton Inn and Discount Tire who are both now open. He told council that Police Chief Vespi will be leaving on May 3<sup>rd</sup> for an active duty assignment of his Coast Guard Reserve Unit to Iraq. It is believed this will be a 9 month deployment but that is still unofficial. He asked that we keep Chief Vespi and his family in our prayers.

Mr. Ciecka said he had received six bids for the Lime City Rd. project. These are currently being evaluated by the city engineer and a recommendation will be given to council at the May 12<sup>th</sup> meeting with work expected to begin after June 13<sup>th</sup>. Currently the public works department is doing prep work and repairs to the catch basins. He said work is still proceeding in the Crossroads area and that the contractor for Bass Pro is laying new streets and making necessary curb cuts. He said the stakeholders are meeting tomorrow regarding the Lime City/Buck Rd. intersection project and he should be able to update council as to the alternative selected. He told council that the RAAA had met on April 22<sup>nd</sup> and approved the partial settlement with Perrysburg Township, that brush pick-up is underway with the last day on Friday, that weekly pick-up of waste bags begins this week through the fall and that bags are now available for purchase at city hall and the recreation center and that he is still looking for another retail point of sale. Mrs. Eckel asked if the option was available to buy a sticker to place on bundled brush and was told by Mr. Ciecka no but that you can wrap a bag around the bundle. Mayor Verbosky told council that Rite-Aid has indicated they will keep a store in Rossford in the existing Pharm building and that he is trying to schedule a meeting with them regarding the inventory they will carry.

#### CORRESPONDENCE

A request for a new liquor permit for Beier LLC dba Bad Bob's BBQ 27250 Crossroads Parkway, Unit D was reported to council. Council was told that the police chief had not given any reason to request a hearing. \*\*\*\*Mr. Richards moved and Mr. Kovach seconded the motion to not request a hearing. All ayes. Motion carried.

#### ORDINANCES

**#2008-13** – AN ORDINANCE PROVIDING FOR THE ISSUANCE AND SALE OF \$340,000 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. SECOND READING.

Mr. Richards moved and Mrs. Eckel seconded the motion to read by title only. All ayes. Motion carried. Mr. Richards wondered why these note ordinances cannot be passed tonight, as they have been publicized and discussed. Mayor Verbosky said these notes do not have to go out for bid until May and that since a public issue we would like to give as much public notice as possible. Mr. Hermes said that the belief is that financial items should be planned for and presented for three readings.

This was given a second reading only.

**#2008-14** – AN ORDINANCE PROVIDING FOR THE ISSUANCE AND SALE OF NOT TO EXCEED \$120,000 NOTES, IN ANTICIPATION OF THE ISSUANCE OF BONDS, TO PAY COSTS OF IMPROVEMENTS TO THE SANITARY SEWER SYSTEM, AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY. SECOND READING.

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

**#2008-15** – AN ORDINANCE PROVIDING FOR THE ISSUANCE AND SALE OF NOT TO EXCEED \$1,400,000 NOTES, IN ANTICIPATION OF THE ISSUANCE OF BONDS, TO PAY COSTS OF ACQUIRING CERTAIN ROADS AND APPURTENANCES AND INTERESTS THERIN FOR PUBLIC USE AS A PART OF THE CITY'S SYSTEM OF PUBLIC STREETS, AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY. SECOND READING.

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

**#2008-16** – AN ORDINANCE PROVIDING FOR THE ISSUANCE AND SALE OF NOT TO EXCEED \$222,500 NOTES, IN ANTICIPATION OF THE ISSUANCE OF BONDS, TO PAY COSTS OF ACQUIRING CERTAIN SANITARY SEWERS AND RELATED FACILITIES, AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY. SECOND READING.

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

**#2008-17** – AN ORDINANCE PROVIDING FOR THE ISSUANCE AND SALE OF NOT TO EXCEED \$222,500 NOTES, IN ANTICIPATION OF THE ISSUANCE OF BONDS, TO PAY COSTS OF ACQUIRING A WATER LINE AND APPURTENANCES THERETO AND INTERESTS THEREIN FOR OPERATION AND USE TO SERVE USERS IN THE CITY AS A PART OF THE CITY'S WATERWORKS SYSTEM, AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY. SECOND READING.

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

**#2008-20** – AN ORDINANCE MAKING CERTAIN ADDITIONS TO THE APPROPRIATIONS FOR CURRENT EXPENSES AND OTHER EXPENDITURES AND MAKING CERTAIN ADDITIONS TO THE REVENUE BUDGET FOR THE YEAR BEGINNING JANUARY 1, 2008 AND ENDING DECEMBER 31, 2008 AMENDING ORDINANCE NO. 2007-46; AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY. SECOND READING.

Mr. Richards moved and Mrs. Eckel seconded the motion to read by title only. All ayes. Motion carried. Mayor Verbosky said this is an ordinance dealing with replacement of the roof on the police station and repairs to the roof of the public works building. Mr. Hermes asked if Mr. Ciecka had an answer to what funds would be reallocated for this expenditure. Mr. Ciecka said it would most likely need a supplemental appropriation. Mr. Hermes asked if Mr. Ciecka had quotes in hand and was told no, only estimates. Mayor Verbosky suggested that passing this would give Mr. Ciecka some flexibility in going out for bids. Mr. Hermes moved and Mr. Richards seconded the motion to suspend with the third reading. Audience comments were requested and none received. Vote on the motion all ayes. Motion carried. Mr. Hermes moved and Mr. Richards seconded the motion to declare an emergency. All ayes. Motion carried. Mr. Hermes moved and Mr. Richards seconded the motion to adopt. All ayes. Motion carried.

### COUNCIL REMARKS

Mr. Richards asked if there was a system to monitor streetlight outages and was told by Mr. Ciecka no. Mr. Ciecka said there are two ways to report, either call Toledo Edison or report online. He suggested a follow-up notification to the city and we will forward the report. Mr. Richards feels this is a safety issue. He also asked who will contact the Toledo water department regarding the replacement and repairs to fire hydrants that council allocated money for, and was told they will be contacted by Dave Jones who will also set the priority for which hydrants get worked on first.

Mrs. Eckel said the Arbor Day celebration was very nice and thanked the staff and students at Eagle Point School for their participation and Betty Woods of the Tree Commission for organizing. Mrs. Eckel asked what is the plan for when Chief Vespi is deployed to Iraq, and was told by the mayor this will be handled internally in appointing an acting chief.

Mr. Hermes said that all of council had received an email from a citizen regarding the painting on pavement that was done for the Glass City Marathon. He said he had responded in agreement and said the organizers need to do a better job with their graphics. Mayor Verbosky said that we will need to have some advanced conversation before next year's event. Mr. Hermes said he had pulled the 2004 budget to compare to 2008's and found that since 2004 total wages have went up \$254,000 while income tax collections have increased by \$195,000. He said the city's total wages use every dollar of the income tax collected plus 47% of property taxes collected.

Mr. Kovach asked if anyone is monitoring Glenwood Rd. since it is a mess from the dirt-hauling traffic. Mr. Ciecka said it is being monitored but that probably needs to be done more often. Mayor Verbosky said it a question of timing as to when it gets done. Mrs. Eckel said last week at 5:00 she was out there when it was being brushed, and it does not help, only sprays dirt all over the street. Mr. Kovach scheduled a short Economic Development committee meeting for May 5<sup>th</sup> at 5:00pm.

AUDIENCE REMARKS

None

Mr. Richards 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