

RECORD OF PROCEEDINGS
Minutes of Rossford City Council Meeting
Held June 10, 2019

The meeting was called to order by Mayor Neil Mackinnon followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

ROLL CALL: Staczek, Oberdorf, Marquette, Heban, and Densic all present. Mr. Oberdorf moved and Mr. Densic seconded the motion to excuse Mr. Ruse. All ayes. Motion carried.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES: Minutes of May 28, 2019 regular council meeting were presented to council. Mr. Oberdorf moved and Mr. Staczek seconded the motion to approve the minutes. All ayes. Motion carried.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA: Agenda for regular council meeting of June 10, 2019 was presented to council. Marina committee minutes and an executive session to discuss economic development and pending litigation were added to the agenda. Mr. Densic moved and Mr. Heban seconded the motion to accept the agenda as amended. All ayes. Motion carried.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Finance & Insurance committee report from May 28, 2019 was presented to council by Mr. Densic (see written report). Mr. Ciecka said that TMACOG has agreed to provide additional funding for the Lime City/SR 65 roundabout up to 80% of the cost.

Public Works committee report from June 3, 2019 was presented to council by Mr. Densic (see written report). Mr. Staczek said there is no excuse for the poor Hannum Ave. repair job done by NWWSD. Mrs. Eckel asked that the reconstruction of Jennings Rd. and its sidewalks be added to the next public works agenda.

Mr. Staczek presented a verbal marina committee report. He said the jersey walls have been installed on the north wall with the west wall next, that the Coast Guard is going to mark the hazard, that trees need to be trimmed that are blocking the view of the marina guards, life preserver posts need to be raised, the no parking zones need to be enforced, kayak and canoe launching is encouraged and is free, and that the marina committee wants to discuss the responsibility of the City Facilities, Parks, and Marina committee versus the Recreation committee. Attorney Heban is to review the committee responsibilities. Mr. Densic said the city did not receive the Coastal Management Grant for planning but were notified of a Hazard Mitigation Grant program that could be used towards and disaster and is a 75% grant with the other 25% coming from donations and other sources. The pre-application is due July 10th.

REPORT OF MAYOR AND/OR ADMINISTRATOR

Mr. Ciecka reminded council of the construction work taking place on I75 for its realignment and said the Buck Rd. northbound ramp to I75 will be closing soon until 2020.

Mayor Mackinnon said that Stroll the Streets will begin on June 26th and should be a great experience. He offered his condolences to the Krall and Langevin families.

CORRESPONDENCE

A thank you from Eagle Point School to Chief Kitzler for his taking part in Right to Read week, a letter of recognition from Chief Kitzler to Officer Socie and a thank you from Rossford Schools to Officer Socie for his efforts in supporting the bus drivers at Indian Hills and Glenwood Schools were read to council. A thank you from the RCVB to Mayor Mackinnon for his help in the Rossford Bass Pro Walleye Round Up was also read to council.

ORDINANCES

#2019 – 26 - AN ORDINANCE TO PROVIDE AN ESTIMATE OF REVENUES FOR THE CITY OF ROSSFORD, OHIO FOR THE PERIOD BEGINNING JANUARY 1, 2020 AND ENDING DECEMBER 31, 2020. SECOND READING

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

#2019- 27 - AN ORDINANCE AMENDING SECTION 195.99, PENALTY (FOR HOTEL/MOTEL TAX) OF THE ROSSFORD MUNICIPAL CODE AND DELARING AN EMERGENCY. SECOND READING

Mr. Staczek moved and Mr. Densic seconded the motion to read by title only. All ayes. Motion carried. Mr. Densic asked if this brings the penalties equal to other violations and was told yes. Mr. Staczek moved and Mrs. Eckel seconded the motion to suspend with the third reading. Audience comments were requested and Rahn Huffstutler, 355 Riverside Dr. questioned whether the penalty of imprisonment and fines could be enforced against a corporation. Attorney Heban said a corporation can be held criminally responsible and this gives us an avenue to collect the tax. Vote on the motion all ayes except for Mr. Densic who voted no. Motion carried 5-1. Mr. Staczek moved and Mrs. Eckel seconded the motion to adopt. All ayes. Motion carried.

#2019 – 28 - AN ORDINANCE TO APPROVE A COLLECTIVE BARGAINING AGREEMENT WITH IBEW LOCAL UNION 245 (FIRE AND EMERGENCY SERVICES), AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

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

#2019 – 29 - AN ORDINANCE UNDER SECTION 727.25, OHIO REVISED CODE, ASSESSING UPON THE LOTS AND LANDS WITHIN THE CITY OF ROSSFORD TO PAY THE EXPENSE OF LIGHTING THE STREETS, ALLEY WAYS, AND OTHER PUBLIC PLACES IN SAID CITY AND FURNISHING ELECTRICAL ENERGY THEREFORE, DIRECTING THE CLERK TO CERTIFY SAID ASSESSMENT TO THE COUNTY AUDITOR TO BE PLACED UPON THE TAX DUPLICATE, AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

Mr. Oberdorf moved and Mr. Densic seconded the motion to read by title only. All ayes. Motion carried. Mrs. Freeman said this can go three readings. This was given a first reading only.

#2019 – 30 - AN ORDINANCE MAKING CERTAIN CHANGES TO THE EXPENSE APPROPRIATION TO THE MARINA FUND FOR THE YEAR BEGINNING JANUARY 1, 2019 AND ENDING DECEMBER 31, 2019, AMENDING ORDINANCE 2018-67.

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

RESOLUTIONS

#2019 – 12 AMENDED - A RESOLUTION BY THE ROSSFORD CITY COUNCIL EXPRESSING SUPPORT FOR THE ESTABLISHMENT OF A DESIGNATED OUTDOOR REFRESHMENT AREA (DORA) FOR CERTAIN PROPERTY LOCATED ON HOLLYWOOD BLVD, WOOD COUNTY, OHIO. THIRD READING

Mr. Densic moved and Mr. Heban seconded the motion to read by title only. All ayes. Motion carried. *Mr. Heban moved and Mr. Staczek seconded the motion to further amend this resolution to include the downtown and the rest of the city as potential DORA sites. Mr. Densic said since this is just a resolution of support this does not curtail other areas of the city if they come forward with a plan. Attorney Heban said he drafted this so as to include all areas of the city. Vote on the motion all ayes. Motion carried.* Mr. Heban moved and Mr. Densic seconded the motion to adopt. All ayes. Motion carried.

COUNCIL REMARKS

Mr. Staczek thanked State Senator Gavarone, State Rep. Ghanbari, Mayor Mackinnon, Mr. Ciecka, Mr. Densic and Mr. Marquette for their help and efforts at the marina.

Mr. Oberdorf said the grand opening for the new playground equipment at Veterans Park is scheduled for June 11th at 12:00.

Mrs. Eckel offered her condolences to Vince Langevin and his family, encouraged everyone to view the carved eagle at 480 Eagle Point Rd., and asked about the pole banners. Mr. Kolb said they are to be shipped by June 18th and will be up before the 4th.

Mr. Heban offered his condolences to the Krall family.

Mr. Densic said thank you to Chief Kitzler for the difference at Veterans Park and thanked the marina guards for their help last weekend.

AUDIENCE REMARKS

Jeff Appelhans, 177 Hannum Ave. asked how much of Hollywood Blvd. is in Rossford as we appear to be salting, plowing, and street cleaning. Mayor Mackinnon said the street is essentially the border between Rossford and Toledo. Mr. Ciecka said that a portion of Hollywood Blvd. is in Toledo (100 yards or less) and a DORA could create some issue with people walking into Toledo that would have to be resolved if a DORA is created and that lifting the snow plow for 100 yards is more hassle that it is worth to just plow as a good neighbor.

John Colapietro, 1004 Groce St., asked for clarification of the public hearing regarding Vineyard/Groce and how citizens will be informed. Mr. Ciecka said the public hearing is the first part and the assessment hearing is the second and he is looking for a date for the public meeting for the residents to review the plan and for the second meeting a letter will go out to each resident. Letters will be hand delivered to each resident for the first meeting.

Rahn Huffstutler, 355 Riverside Dr. referred to a Rossford Record article that said assessments would be issued against Colony residents although the ordinance does not say that. It was explained that this is not an assessment ordinance and Mayor Mackinnon said it is not true that residents will be assessed and we are just now in the bid process with no guarantee this will be done and we are still trying to figure out costs and timelines. Mr. Huffstutler said the Colony Association does not speak for all the residents. Mayor Mackinnon introduced two Boy Scouts who were in the audience.

Mr. Staczek moved and Mr. Densic seconded the motion to go into executive session for the purpose of discussing economic development. All ayes. Motion carried.

Mr. Heban moved and Mr. Staczek seconded the motion to return to regular session.

Mr. Staczek moved and Mr. Densic seconded the motion to go into executive session for the purpose of discussing pending litigation. All ayes. Motion carried.

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

Mrs. Eckel moved and Mr. Heban seconded the motion to approve the city of Rossford entering into a settlement of the pending lawsuit with the Rossford School District on terms to be set forth in subsequent legislation. All ayes except Mr. Densic who abstained. Motion carried 5-0.

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

Neil A. Mackinnon III
Mayor

Robert P. Watrol
Clerk of Council