

RECORD OF PROCEEDINGS
Minutes of Rossford City Council Meeting
Held June 11, 2007

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, Michaels, and Kovach all present. Mr. Richards moved and Mr. Marquette seconded the motion to excuse Mr. Oberdorf who was out of town. All ayes. Motion carried.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES: Approval of regular council meeting minutes of May 29, 2007. 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 June 11, 2007 was presented to council. Committee reports from Judiciary and Marina were added. Mr. Richards moved and Mrs. Eckel seconded the motion to approve the agenda as amended. All ayes. Motion carried.

PRESENTATION

Jeff Baney of the Wood County Park District presented a community grant award to the city in the amount of \$3951.00 which is to be used for playground safety equipment and servicing. Mayor Verbosky thanked him and said the city appreciated the awarding of the grant. He also encouraged citizens to become members of Friends of the Park.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Mr. Marquette presented the Judiciary committee report of June 11, 2007. Issues discussed were the city insurance limits and the possible raising of the deductible, going out for bids for employee health insurance, building repairs to the roof of the police department, and monthly billings for legal cost. Mr. Ciecka is to check how increasing the insurance deductible would affect the premium and said the estimated cost of roof repairs is \$20-25,000 which would be accounted for in the 2008 budget. Mr. Marquette said that improvements to the monthly legal billings would be that activity performed in one month would be billed in that same month rather than two months later.

Mr. Michaels presented the Marina committee report of May 31, 2007. Issues discussed were marina occupancy and revenue, a health department citation, and several maintenance issues. It was also suggested that several trees be trimmed so that marina guards are able to observe the lift station alarm light. Mr. Richards asked if this was the lift station at the Jennings Rd. park entrance and was told yes. Mr. Hermes asked what the health department citation was for and was told that several back flow preventers are missing from supply points which can lead to contamination. Mrs. Eckel suggested that a deposit be collected for the back flow preventers and possibly this would reduce losses and also wondered where the marina guards were when these thefts occurred. Mr. Michaels said theft occurs as people walk around the marina and the guards cannot observe everything. Mr. Ciecka said a dock deposit is already collected. Mrs. Eckel still feels that with marina guards on duty 24/7 these losses should not be occurring. Mr. Marquette would like to know the exact numbers that are missing and the cost to replace.

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

REPORT OF MAYOR AND/OR ADMINISTRATOR

Mayor Verbosky presented a plaque to Rossford firefighter Shaun Baney who just returned from serving in Iraq with a Weapons Company of the USMC from September 2006 to April 2007. Mr. Baney said that he had the opportunity to work with local government in Iraq while he was serving there. Mayor Verbosky also recognized police Sgt. Kitzler and Officer Swanson who took leave of absences to work as contractors in Iraq, Rossford residents who are part of the 180th Air National Guard, and remembered Marine Sgt.

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David Christoff Jr. who gave his life in Iraq. He reminded everyone of the fire convention taking place this weekend and encouraged everyone to support this event. Mr. Hermes asked if Chief Verbosky had a final count for vehicles in the parade and if there was a contingency plan for people needing to exit from streets blocked by the parade. Chief Verbosky said there are 125 vehicles and that the fire department was notifying everyone and making plans for those people having to exit during the parade. He also summarized the events taking place Friday and Saturday. Mayor Verbosky said the planning committee will meet on June 20 and hopefully give final approval for the Bass Pro project at that time. He also said the 2006 Perrysburg Municipal Court report had been received and was available for review at city hall.

Mr. Ciecka said the city's application for a CDBG grant to fund the second phase street improvement in the Rossburn/Roland Ct. area was not funded, and said a component of the site plan for Bass Pro is to vacate a portion of Simmons Rd. which the planning commission is favorable to and which ODOT is to review. However if vacated the property goes back to ODOT and so the city is still exploring this. He said he is preparing bids for the summer road improvements and health insurance contract. Mr. Richards thought the Sentinel had reported we had been awarded \$75,000 in grants for the Rossford project. Mr. Ciecka said he will review the article. Mr. Richards also asked if Mr. Ciecka and Mr. Oberdorf had met with the disgruntled resident in regards to the RCRC roofing project and was told yes. Mr. Michaels asked if the city is considering doing street and sanitary sewer improvements in areas where citizens are willing to be assessed. Mr. Ciecka said he has received no feedback from any particular area but that he is willing to meet with any interested neighborhood.

CORRESPONDENCE

None

ORDINANCES

None

COUNCIL REMARKS

Mr. Richards said he is looking forward to the fire convention event this weekend. Mrs. Eckel asked Mr. Ciecka about the status of the tennis court repairs that were not completed last year and was told they will be done this year. Mr. Hermes said he will be out of town on June 25, 2007 and asked to be excused from the regular council meeting.

AUDIENCE REMARKS

Jeff Appelhans, 177 Hannum Avenue, Rossford, asked if the city back bills Pilkington for cutting grass along Bergin St. Mr. Ciecka said that property is actually in the name of the city at this time.

Mr. Richards moved and Mr. Marquette seconded the motion to adjourn. All ayes. Motion carried.

William Verbosky Jr.
Mayor

Robert P. Watrol
Clerk of Council