

RECORD OF PROCEEDINGS
Minutes of Rossford City Council Meeting
Held June 13, 2016

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

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

APPROVAL OF MINUTES: Minutes of May 23, 2016 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 13, 2016 was presented to council. Finance & Insurance committee report was added to agenda. Mr. Minarcin moved and Mr. Staczek seconded the motion to approve the agenda as amended. All ayes. Motion carried.

PRESENTATION - U.S. C. G. DISTRICT CHIEF OF STAFF – ROBERT (BOB) STAUFFER

He said the vessel exams the Coast Guard had done last weekend at the marina were more than last year, he provided a sample of a sticker that will be provided for owners of canoes, kayaks, and rowboats that will show ownership and a contact number. He hopes this will help prevent having to have Sea Air Rescue called out whenever one of these is spotted washed out to the lake. He noted that a Coast Guard Auxiliary had been formed at the Maritime Academy for those 17 years old and older which helps give these students a head start should they join the Coast Guard. This is a program they are going to make available for all high school student in the area. Mr. Staczek asked if there is a minimum G.P.A. to get in and was told 3.0 or better. The Coast Guard would also like to be notified of any events on the river so they can establish a marine safety zone and notify all mariners.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Finance & Insurance committee report of May 23, 2016 was presented by Mr. Minarcin (see written report). Mr. Marquette asked if the current Life Paks are still in working order and Chief Drouard responded that two are still working but that the service contract will expire in 2019. Mr. Marquette said he had talked to Mr. Scott earlier last week about trying to notify people in the city about what's going on with RITA and the reciprocity tax. Some people are getting notices and some people aren't, some people are concerned about when they have to pay and they don't want to be penalized if they're not paying and they should be paying. He's not sure if there's been anything put out there, he has not seen anything saying this is the way it's going to be done, this is when the notices will be issued and so on. He said if we can notify the citizens that this is the way it's going to be done it would put a lot of minds at ease his included.

REPORT OF MAYOR AND/OR ADMINISTRATOR

City Administrator Scott said that the Rec Center has 35 children enrolled in summer day camp compared to 12 last year, that the summer theatre performance will be August 12th in the RHS auditorium, a Color Run will be held August 6th, a Wounded Warrior Run will be on August 21st, and the Karen Swartz Memorial Run is scheduled for October 8th, and that Riverfest will begin Thursday, August 18th and end Saturday, August 20th with the fireworks at 10:00pm. He said that manpower is down slightly in the fire department and interviews are being held for fire/EMT positions, that calls are at or slightly above 2015 levels and that the duty officer program has cut response times significantly. He said right now the police department is short on officers due to training of new officers military commitments, and an injured officer. We are covering with part time officers and will swear in a new officer this evening. He noted that the boring has been completed for the Colony Pump Station and that resurfacing of W. Elm Tree will

begin soon while Colony Rd. will continue to be closed. The Lime City Rd. bridge project is scheduled to begin on or about July 11th and will be closed for 60 days. He noted that we will honor Bob Busch tonight for his retirement on May 20th that the street sweeper has broken down and we are receiving estimates for extensive repairs, and a bid package is being prepared for the roof replacement on the public works building. The landfill was inspected on May 25th by the Ohio EPA and there were no violations and no required actions. Chautauqua will return on June 28th until July 1st with daily workshops and evening performances and volunteers are still needed.

Mayor Mackinnon congratulated Reagan Clay for winning her second consecutive 400 meter state championship and placing second in the 200 meters. He presented a gift to retired city employee Bob Busch in recognition of his years of service and swore in new police officer Glenn Goss Jr. Mayor Mackinnon then said that last week was an historic week in Rossford with the announcement of multiple developments in excess of \$200M and 500 jobs eventually. He said our great geographical location and the fostering of relationships with Toledo, Perrysburg Twp., and the county as well as remaining a member of TARTA led to these developments and that this is just the beginning. He thanked the citizens for their vote to keep us in TARTA as neither of these developments would have happened without us being in TARTA. He thanked the citizens for that and said this is just the beginning as people are recognizing our city and our geography throughout the country. He said we did not buy these developments but are using TIF funds to put in the roads and necessary infrastructure. He said to be proud of what is happening and what is still going to happen and this is just the beginning. Mr. Wagner asked if any incentives were involved in the Hunger property project and the Mayor said not yet. Mr. Wagner noted that he had seen this referred to as the Rossford Entertainment District and said he does not want to see this compete with our Crossroads Entertainment District. Mayor Mackinnon said we were just calling it that in name only for now. Mr. Wagner said council will need to look at this at some later date.

CORRESPONDENCE

A thank you note for the expression of sympathy was received from the family of Vernon Freeman.

ORDINANCES

#2016 – 25 - 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 Mrs. Eckel seconded the motion to read by title only. All ayes. Motion carried.

Mr. Marquette asked what the current balance in the account is and was told approximately \$70,000 and asked that someone do something about the streetlight by his home that is on 24 hours a day. Mr.

Oberdorf moved and Mrs. Eckel seconded the motion to suspend with the second and third readings.

Audience comments were requested and Bob Densic, 107 Birch asked if we have a program in place to phase in LED replacement bulbs. Mr. Scott said we will look for doing LED on all future lighting projects. Vote on the motion all ayes. Motion carried. Mr. Oberdorf moved and Mrs. Eckel seconded the motion to declare an emergency. All ayes. Motion carried. Mr. Oberdorf moved and Mrs. Eckel seconded the motion to adopt. All ayes. Motion carried.

Mr. Oberdorf moved and Mrs. Eckel seconded the motion to declare an emergency. All ayes. Motion carried. Mr. Oberdorf moved and Mrs. Eckel seconded the motion to adopt. All ayes. Motion carried.

#2016 – 26 - AN ORDINANCE TO PROVIDE AN ESTIMATE OF REVENUES FOR THE CITY OF ROSSFORD, OHIO FOR THE PERIOD BEGINNING JANUARY 1, 2017 AND ENDING DECEMBER 31, 2017.

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

Mrs. Freeman said this is a procedural item for Wood County which is due July 20th and thus can go to three readings. She said the estimate did not include income from the 50% tax credit reduction. This was given a first reading only.

RESOLUTIONS

#2016 -16 - AUTHORIZING PARTICIPATION WITH THE OFFICE OF THE TREASURER OF THE STATE OF OHIO’S OPEN CHECKBOOK INITIATIVE. SECOND READING.

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

#2016 – 17 - A RESOLUTION TO APPROVE THE MAYOR’S APPOINTMENTS TO THE REGIONAL INCOME TAX AGENCY, COUNCIL OF GOVERNMENTS. SECOND READING.

Mr. Staczek moved and Mrs. Eckel 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.

COUNCIL REMARKS

Mr. Staczek congratulated Reagan Clay, thanked NAI Harmon Group, the mayor, and Mr. Scott for the invitation to the development event and said great things are coming, said that the new restaurant Reset is awesome, thanked the marina committee and council for the support of the marina, and offered his condolences to the Frautschi family.

Mr. Oberdorf congratulated the mayor for being the nucleus of the Harmon development and getting the ball rolling and said he has seen the mayor grow in this position.

Mrs. Eckel congratulated Reagan Clay, Bob Busch, Glenn Goss Sr. and Jr., and Reset. She asked for an update on the driveway at the Rossford Athletic Complex and Mr. Scott said he will check on and email her.

Mr. Marquette thanked the NAI Harmon Group for wanting to invest in our community and said they have some impressive people working for them.

Mr. Wagner welcomed Reset and said he appreciated their adjustment to the hours and age requirement so that families can go there.

Mr. Minarcin thanked everyone who attended and participated in the Memorial Day parade and ceremony, and the NAI Harmon Group for their huge investment in Rossford, and to the mayor and his team for doing a tremendous job in getting these people connected.

AUDIENCE REMARKS

None

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

*Neil Mackinnon
Mayor*

*Robert P. Watrol
Clerk of Council*