

RECORD OF PROCEEDINGS
Minutes of Rossford City Council Meeting
Held June 26, 2017

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

ROLL CALL: Staczek, Oberdorf, Eckel, Marquette, Ruse, Wagner, and Minarcin all present.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES: Minutes of June 5, 2017 committee of the whole meeting were presented to council. Mr. Staczek moved and Mr. Wagner seconded the motion to approve the minutes. All ayes except Mr. Ruse who abstained. Motion carried.
Minutes of June 12, 2017 regular council meeting were presented to council. Mr. Staczek moved and Mr. Wagner seconded the motion to approve the minutes. All ayes except Mr. Ruse who abstained. Motion carried.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA: Agenda for regular council meeting of June 26, 2017 was presented to council. Mr. Wagner moved and Mr. Staczek seconded the motion to accept the agenda as amended. All ayes. Motion carried.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

None

REPORT OF MAYOR AND/OR ADMINISTRATOR

Mike Scott reported that the Rec Center has started Summer Theatre which will culminate in a performance of Willy Wonka on July 28th, Little League football signup as began, and Chautauqua will be from July 19-23 with Riverfest and fireworks on July 22nd. The public works department reported a water main break over the weekend, said the parking lots at the municipal building and library will be closed on June 28th for a Touch a Truck event, and Connie Mierzejewski is donating a bench in memory of her late husband Jeff. The fire department said the NW Ohio convention was a big success and that fire calls are up 42 calls over last year. The police department has signed contracts for the firing range and work is to begin soon. Mrs. Freeman and he are working on the final numbers based on the last Committee of the Whole meeting and will have them for the July 10th committee of the whole meeting.

Mayor Mackinnon offered his condolences to the families of Kerry Alexander and Mitch Kopystynsky, said he had received a phone call from former councilman Leonard Michaels who received a kidney transplant and a new lease on life, said we have a great summer coming up with great events, and had Mr. Heban explain the status of a chronic nuisance problem at 525 Glenwood Rd. Mr. Heban said that property went to sheriffs sale previously with the owner the successful bidder may be going back to sheriff's sale as the owner has not complied with terms of the bid. The mayor said Mitch Kopystynsky was a legend in Rossford as a basketball player whose team went to state and was a great role model to younger kids.

CORRESPONDENCE

TMACOG transportation plan is available for council as is a letter from Plattenburg Associates regarding the audit.

ORDINANCES

#2017 – 36 - AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND THE CODIFIED ORDINANCES OF THE CITY OF ROSSFORD AND TO ADOPT A NEW INCOME TAX CREDIT FOR TAX YEAR 2018 AND THEREAFTER, AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY. SECOND READING

Mr. Oberdorf moved and Mr. Ruse seconded the motion to read by title only. All ayes. Motion carried. Mr. Ruse moved and Mr. Oberdorf seconded the motion to adopt. Ruse aye. Marquette, Eckel, Oberdorf, Staczek, Minarcin, and Wagner nay. Motion fails 6-1.

#2017-38 – AN ORDINANCE TO PROVIDE AN ESTIMATE OF REVENUES FOR THE CITY OF ROSSFORD, OHIO FOR THE PERIOD BEGINNING JANUARY 1, 2018 AND ENDING DECEMBER 31, 2018. SECOND READING

Mr. Minarcin moved and Mrs. Eckel seconded the motion to read by title only. All ayes. Motion carried. Mrs. Freeman said this is a procedural step that needs to be to the county by July 20th. This was given a second reading only.

#2017-41 – 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. FIRST READING

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

#2017-42 – AN ORDINANCE MAKING CERTAIN CHANGES TO THE EXPENSE APPROPRIATION AND ESTIMATE OF REVENUES FOR THE YEAR BEGINNING JANUARY 1, 2017 AND ENDING DECEMBER 31, 2017, AMENDING ORDINANCE 2016-48. FIRST READING

Mr. Staczek moved and Mrs. Eckel seconded the motion to read by title only. All ayes. Motion carried. Mrs. Freeman said this is a request to adjust the budget for the marina in anticipation of there being insufficient funds to get through the rest of the season due to some unusual expenses and that the money is available in the marina fund. Mr. Staczek noted that either due to the weather or economics we have thirty docks open which is about twice the number as last year. He said the yacht clubs are really after boaters and offer better facilities. Mr. Staczek moved and Mrs. Eckel 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 adopt. All ayes. Motion carried.

#2017 – 43 - AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING DECLARATIONS OF OFFICIAL INTENT UNDER U.S. TREASURY REGULATIONS WITH RESPECT TO REIMBURSEMENTS FROM PROCEEDS OF BONDS, NOTES OR OTHER OBLIGATIONS OF TEMPORARY ADVANCES MADE FOR PAYMENTS PRIOR TO ISSUANCE, AND RELATED MATTERS, AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY. FIRST READING

Mrs. Eckel moved and Mr. Staczek seconded the motion to read by title only. All ayes. Motion carried. Mrs. Freeman said this is related to the TIF revenue bond the city offered for the Harmon project in the Crossroads. This was given a first reading only.

RESOLUTIONS

#2017 – 08 - A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING EXTENDING THE HOUSING REVOLVING LOAN FUND ADMINISTRATION AGREEMENT WITH THE STATE OF OHIO THROUGH ITS OFFICE OF HOUSING AND COMMUNITY PARTNERSHIPS. FIRST READING

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

COUNCIL REMARKS

Mr. Staczek said somebody has been shooting off M80’s on Jennings Rd. the last three nights from 10:00pm to 12:30am.

Mr. Oberdorf offered his condolences to the families of Mitch Kopystynsky and Kerry Alexander.

Mrs. Eckel thanked Officer Jodi Johnson and Chief Goss for a successful Safety Town and the fire department for a successful convention which she said was a lot of fun.

Mr. Marquette thanked Mr. Ruse for his creativity in coming forward with the reciprocity ordinance and said even though it lost it is that kind of thinking we need as we go forward. He also said that to all those idiot taxpayers out there who like to trash council for having the courage to put this up he said it was never approved as reported and was part of a package for financing roads.

Mr. Ruse said he probably should not have missed the committee of the whole meeting because those minutes did not indicate the way this was voted down tonight and he will sit back and let council figure out what they want to do in financing roads but that we need to stick to the plan to do the Colony. He also questioned some plans he saw for a site plan approval for the schools that does not have a traffic study.

Mr. Wagner thanked Chief Drouard and his department for a great event this weekend. He agrees with Mr. Ruse that we need to figure out what to do with the roads. He said the capital improvements plan has only been approved by committee and needs to be adjusted by the full council.

Mr. Minarcin thanked the fire department for a great convention and asked the status of the property on Glenwood/Dixie. Mr. Heban said he is still trying to contact the realtor regarding the city’s offer to forgive the demolition cost in return for title to the property.

Mrs. Eckel would like an update on the traffic study for the site plan. Mr. Heban said the initial site plan was for the athletic complex but Phase 2 was never begun. This most recent approval is for only the bus garage and the school will come back for another site plan approval for the school. Mr. Ruse believes that the condition placed on the athletic complex was that future access would be via Mandell and should still govern. Mr. Heban will review what was approved by the planning commission and what needs to be done.

AUDIENCE REMARKS

Katie Poiry, 507 Beech, said the stop sign at the corner of Glenwood/Beech St. is ignored quite frequently and wondered if we could get flashing stop signs there. She said this has been a problem for years.

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

Neil A. MacKinnon III
Mayor

Robert P. Watrol
Clerk of Council