

**RECORD OF PROCEEDINGS**  
Minutes of Rossford City Council Meeting  
Held July 13, 2020

The meeting was held via public conference call due to Covid-19 stay-in-place order and was called to order by Mayor Mackinnon.

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

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES:** Minutes of June 22, 2020 regular council meeting were presented to council. Mr. Densic moved and Mr. Staczek seconded the motion to approve the minutes. All ayes. Motion carried.

**APPROVAL OF AGENDA:** Agenda for regular council meeting of July 13, 2020 was presented to council. Presentation by Habitat for Humanity was added to agenda. Mr. Ruse moved and Mr. Heban seconded the motion to accept the agenda as amended. All ayes. Motion carried.

**PRESENTATION:** Mark Ohashi, Executive Director of Habitat for Humanity in Wood County requested the donation of two 30-foot lots north of 210 Osborne. He explained that they would combine the lots and build one home in 2022 which would be the fourth home they have built in Rossford. The three homes already built contribute about \$6800 annually in taxes. He also explained the procedure for selecting the occupying family and what is required. Mr. Staczek would like community input for agreeing to donate the lots. Mr. Ruse asked Attorney Heban if the city can even donate the lots and was told no, they would pass through the Wood County Port Authority via an ordinance contingent on the Port Authority passing through to Habitat for Humanity. Mr. Marquette asked if the city tried to sell these lots and what the value is. Mayor Mackinnon said the city has not tried to sell and valued the property at \$5-10,000.

**COMMITTEE REPORTS**

Finance & Insurance committee report from June 22, 2020 was presented by Mr. Densic (see written report). *Mrs. Eckel entered the meeting during the reading of the report.*

Public Works committee report from June 29 and July 8, 2020 was presented by Mr. Ruse (see written report). Mr. Marquette asked how long Klumm Bros. has been doing refuse pickup and if the sidewalk at Glenwood School is a city responsibility. Mr. Ruse said Klumm Bros. has been picking up refuse in Ottawa Hills and Delta for about 25 years and Mayor Mackinnon said the sidewalk is a city responsibility. Mrs. Eckel said the Eagle Point Rd. lawn restoration will need to be reseeded with weeds sprayed. Ms. Murray said NWWSD understands this and will be working on. Mrs. Eckel asked if we obtained a quote for changing the bike path on Lime City Rd. to concrete and Mr. Ruse said no as ODOT was not in favor of that. Mr. Staczek said Mr. Oberdorf wanted his concern known regarding not offering recycling as it would create more garbage and some people may not have enough space in the refuse bin. Ms. Murray said all the vendors indicated they could supply additional bins. Mr. Ruse said we need to discuss what to do moving forward and that at the committee of the whole it sounded like we wanted to continue recycling and pass that cost on to the residents and we need to discuss this further.

**REPORT OF MAYOR AND/OR ADMINISTRATOR**

Ms. Murray thanked all city employees for their efforts in serving the public during the COVID -19 crisis and the citizens for their patience during the road projects. She said she believes that the bid from Waste Mgmt. is the best bid when considering the recycling monthly cost whether paid by the city or the resident. She explained to council the nomination process and terms for the NWWSD board as will come

up in Resolution 2020-18, She said the finance director has closed the June financials and copies are in council's mailbox. In regards to the refuse bids she said Republic did not move from the two-day pickup which council did not want and that while Klumm Bros. are the low bid based on trash only in the first year, their recycling cost is higher than Waste Mgmt. whether paid by the city or the resident and she believes the best bid overall is Waste Mgmt. with a recycling cost of \$7.60 versus Klumm Bros. at \$25. Mr. Densic said he reads the Waste Mgmt. bid as having other fees on top of the \$7.60 and he thought that at the Committee of the Whole meeting council was against the city paying for recycling. Mr. Ruse said council talked about the city paying for recycling through the end of 2020 and then the residents paying beginning in 2021. Mayor Mackinnon wants to get clarification on the actual cost for recycling from Waste Mgmt. and agrees with Mr. Ruse about the city continuing to pay for it through 2020. Mr. Marquette wondered if Waste Mgmt. would be willing to sell the refuse bins to Klumm Bros. and Mayor Mackinnon said he did not know. Mr. Staczek said he thought Waste Mgmt. required a minimum of 500 recycling customers and he wants to make sure as Klumm Bros. has no minimum. Mr. Marquette said at the committee of the whole it was also talked about limiting recyclables and Mrs. Eckel said Perrysburg just did that. Mayor Mackinnon had no report.

### **CORRESPONDENCE**

A letter from Beverly and Don Allen, 333 Colony Rd. regarding parking on Colony Rd. between Eagle Point Rd. and the Colony gates was summarized to council. Mr. Ruse said there is no parking on Colony Rd. and Mayor Mackinnon said that is an administrative decision. Mr. Ruse said public works made that recommendation to council previously and it was decided that would be done. Mayor Mackinnon said neither he nor Ms. Murray agreed to that. Mr. Densic asked Attorney Heban if the code prohibits on street parking and Attorney Heban said it is an administrative decision to make a street no parking. Mr. Staczek asked if council could pass an ordinance to make on street parking illegal in that area citing the problems in that area over the past years. Attorney Heban said an ordinance could be done to override an administrative decision. Mr. Densic cited code and Attorney Heban agreed that parking is not allowed in the curb lawn.

### **ORDINANCES**

**#2020 – 44 - AN ORDINANCE TO PLACE ON THE BALLOT AT THE NEXT GENERAL ELECTION A CHARTER AMENDMENT TO CHANGE THE QUALIFICATIONS OF THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF ROSSFORD, AND TO DECLARE AN EMERGENCY**

Mr. Densic moved and Mr. Staczek seconded the motion to read by title only. All ayes\*. Motion carried. Attorney Heban said this would reduce the age to serve as an elected official from 21 to 18. Mr. Densic said cities are split 50/50 on the age issue and he has no problem letting the citizens decide. Mayor Mackinnon sees no problem as they are legally adults. Mr. Heban agrees with both and said if they can go into the military, they should be able to run for office. Mr. Staczek said he is against it as he wants more qualifications other than age. This was given a first reading only.

**#2020 – 45 - AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE CITY ADMINISTRATOR TO ENTER INTO AN AGREEMENT WITH TOLEDO EDISON, A FIRST ENERGY COMPANY FOR THE CONVERSION OF THE REMAINING CITY OF ROSSFORD STREET LIGHTS TO LED LIGHTS; AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.**

Mr. Densic moved and Mrs. Eckel seconded the motion read by title only. All ayes. Motion carried. Mr. Ruse moved and Mr. Densic seconded the motion to suspend with the second and third readings. Audience comments were requested and none received. Vote on the motion all ayes. Motion carried. Mr. Ruse moved and Mr. Densic seconded the motion to declare an emergency. All ayes\*. Motion carried. Mr. Ruse moved and Mr. Densic seconded the motion to adopt. All ayes\*. Motion carried.

**#2020 – 46 - AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE CITY ADMINISTRATOR TO ENTER INTO AN AGREEMENT WITH ODOT FOR THE PURPOSE OF COORDINATING ACTIVITIES IN CONJUNCTION WITH THE SAFETY STUDY PROJECT WOO-65-23.35 PID 112132; AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.**

Mr. Densic moved and Mr. Staczek seconded the motion to read by title only. All ayes\*. Motion carried. Mr. Densic moved and Mr. Staczek seconded the motion to suspend with the second and third readings. Audience comments were requested and none received. Vote on the motion all ayes \*. Motion carried. Mr. Densic moved and Mr. Staczek seconded the motion to declare an emergency. All ayes\*. Motion carried. Mr. Densic moved and Mr. Staczek seconded the motion to adopt. All ayes\*. Motion carried.

**#2020 -47 - AN ORDINANCE AWARDED A CONTRACT FOR SOLID WASTE AND RECYCLING COLLECTION; AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.**

Mr. Staczek moved and Mr. Heban seconded the motion to read by title only. All ayes \*. Motion carried. Mr. Ruse asked attorney Heban if he could amend to give the administration the right to contract with either as a couple of numbers still need to be clarified and attorney Heban said no. Mr. Densic said time is of the essence on this and we might need a special council meeting. Mr. Ruse asked if we passed it with Klumm Bros. or amended to Waste Mgmt. and after clarification of the number's things changed could we come back and reconsider it. Mayor Mackinnon said if Ms. Murray talks to Waste Mgmt. tomorrow and the numbers were still less than Klumm Bros. we could pass tonight and leave as is.

Mr. Densic said the question is the cost of recycling but as to refuse collection Klumm Bros. are still \$100,000 less over the life of the contract and that leads him to say he would want Klumm Bros. as the service provider. He needs clarification from Klumm Bros. as to no minimum for recycling and from Waste Mgmt. as to the additional fees for recycling over the \$7.60. He would only amend the ordinance to clarify Klumm Bros. required no minimum. Vince from Waste Mgmt. estimated the additional fees above the \$7.60 per month charge at about \$118 annually but may decrease as the fuel charge for natural gas is less. Mr. Ruse said this is still cheaper than Klumm. Mr. Staczek asked if there is a minimum for recycling and Vince said it was 500 with the thought the city would pick up the shortage below 500 unless it became too few at which point recycling would be cancelled. Mr. Marquette asked if Waste Mgmt. would be open to selling the bins to the city or Klumm and was told no.

*Mr. Ruse moved and Mr. Staczek seconded the motion to amend the ordinance to change from Klumm Bros. to Waste Mgmt. All ayes except Mr. Densic who voted no. Motion carried 5-1.*

Mr. Ruse moved and Mr. Staczek seconded the motion to suspend with the second and third readings. Audience comments were requested and none received. Vote on the motion all ayes. Motion carried. Mr. Ruse moved and Mr. Staczek seconded the motion to declare an emergency. All ayes. Motion carried. Mr. Ruse moved and Mr. Staczek seconded the motion to adopt. All ayes except for Mr. Densic who voted no. Motion carried.

**RESOLUTIONS**

**#2020-18 - A RESOLUTION SUBMITTING VOTES TO FILL A VACANT BOARD SEAT ON THE NORTHWESTERN WATER AND SEWER DISTRICT**

Mr. Staczek moved and Mrs. Eckel seconded the motion to read by title only. All ayes. Motion carried. Mayor Mackinnon asked if anyone knows either of these individuals and Ms. Murray said she knows one of them. This was given a first reading only.

*\*Mrs. Eckel response was inaudible and thus not recorded as aye or nay. Did not effect outcome on any vote.*

**COUNCIL REMARKS**

Mr. Staczek said Mr. Oberdorf requested he ask what meeting in August council wanted to eliminate and council decided to hold the first meeting in August and decide then whether to eliminate the second August meeting. Mr. Staczek thanked the administration and marina committee especially Mr. Densic for helping obtain the paddle boat grant.

Mrs. Eckel said we need to look at getting another internet provider in the city.

Mr. Marquette thanked Mr. Densic for his help on the grant and asked who is responsible for maintaining the roundabout. Ms. Murray said the inside of the roundabout is the city responsibility and the outside is the responsibility of the property owners.

Mr. Heban said he had met with Ms. Murray, Dallas Paul, and Kevin Heban on June 25 regarding Project Red which is still a go but slowed down by the Covid crisis.

Mr. Ruse asked if anyone else is hearing the nightly bangs and Chief Kitzler said he has and they are not gun shots but fireworks usually between 9-12 at night. Mr. Ruse asked where we stand on the RFQ for the school buildings and Mayor Mackinnon said this will be done in the next couple of weeks and that no one wants the trailers and he is talking to demo companies to remove. Mr. Ruse asked about the food trucks and Ms. Murray said as long as Wood County is at Level 3 there will be no food trucks.

Mr. Densic said he needs to schedule a marina committee meeting to discuss a location for the paddle boats and that he agrees with Mrs. Eckel on the need for a second internet provider. He asked the mayor if he has heard anything on the master plan and Mayor Mackinnon responded that he talks to them all the time and the hold up right now is two things not happening are hotels and restaurants. Mr. Densic would like to get a general review of where we stand now. Mr. Heban said the master plan work slowed down during the Covid time but they are willing to make a presentation to council.

#### **AUDIENCE REMARKS**

Beverly Allen thanked council for considering the points of her letter regarding the parking on Colony Rd. and said the city should look at a NEX system for internet access.

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

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Neil A. Mackinnon III  
Mayor

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Robert P. Watrol  
Clerk of Council