

**RECORD OF PROCEEDINGS**  
Minutes of Rossford City Council Meeting  
Held July 22, 2019

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

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

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES:** Minutes of June 24, 2019 regular council meeting were presented to council. Mr. Oberdorf moved and Mr. Ruse seconded the motion to approve the minutes. All ayes. Motion carried.

**APPROVAL OF AGENDA:** Agenda for regular council meeting of July 22, 2019 was presented to council. Mr. Densic moved and Mr. Ruse seconded the motion to accept the agenda. All ayes. Motion carried.

**PRESENTATIONS**

Lori Brodie, NW Ohio liaison presented the Auditor of State Award with Distinction on behalf of State Auditor Keith Faber to the City of Rossford and its finance director Karen Freeman. Only 3-5% of state communities are eligible and it requires a complete CAFR, a clean audit with no findings and no other financial concerns.

Leonard Michaels, 327 Colony Rd. respectfully asked council to nominate him for reappointment to the NWWSD board.

Mayor Mackinnon asked council and the audience to stand and observe a moment of silence in remembrance of Joshua Stone who died tragically in the grain elevator accident at the Andersons and Sylvia Bicanovsky who passed away last week and was our first female police officer.

**COMMITTEE REPORTS**

Public Works committee report from July 17, 2019 was presented to council by Mr. Ruse (see written report). Mrs. Eckel asked what the method of pavement replacement is going to be for the Colony. Mr. Ruse responded that it could be bid as asphalt recycling or for an alternative. She also asked what is going is being done on Helen Drive by NWWSD and Mr. Ruse said he will find out tomorrow. Mr. Densic asked about stone patches on Eagle Point, Birch, and Highland and Mr. Michaels said these are to be cold patched with asphalt. Mr. Oberdorf and Mrs. Eckel both said that if Mannik Smith had ordered the proper poles we wouldn't be waiting on the paint job. Mr. Ruse said all the rain earlier has been the hold up and the contractor is trying to catch up.

Public Safety committee report from July 18, 2019 was presented to council by Mrs. Eckel (see written report). Mr. Staczek asked in addition to a school resource officer what are the schools doing on their end regarding safety and security- metal detectors? private security? - and that they should pay for the whole year for officer not nine months. Mrs. Eckel said one of the issues causing the request for an additional officer is domestic/custody issue. Mr. Heban said he disagrees with Mr. Staczek in that the school will pay for the nine months when the officer is there and we pay for the three months he is working for us covering vacations etc. Mr. Ruse said he thought the school was going to cover the entire salary and we need to discuss this proposal.

**REPORT OF MAYOR AND/OR ADMINISTRATOR**

Mayor Mackinnon said this is a great day in the City of Rossford with the Amazon announcement. He outlined the history of Duke Realty bringing them to us and said both of the final two sites were in Rossford. He recognized former mayor Mark Zuchowski and former city administrator Vince Langevin

saying we are not here today without their vision and what they started. He thanked Duke Realty, the Amazon team, Rossford city council, all the department heads, Wood County departments, Rex Huffman, Kevin Heban and his firm, our state representative Ghanbari and senator Gavarone, and Tom Uhler. He announced that Medical Mutual had announced they would be a \$25,000 sponsor for the Great Balloon Race and thanked them.

### **CORRESPONDENCE**

Thank you notes to the mayor from Father Recker at All Saints and Alonso Petry, a thank you letter to the city from the family of Mathew Vedra Jr., a letter of appreciation from Chief Kitzler to Sergeants` Revill and Allen and Officer Socie, a request from the Ovarian Cancer Connection to tie teal ribbons on the light poles and a letter from NWWSD regarding nominations for a board seat were read to council.

### **ORDINANCES**

**#2019-20** – AN ORDINANCE APPROVING THE CITY ADMINISTRATOR TO PURSUE DEBT FUNDING FOR THE COLONY SUBDIVISION RENOVATION PROJECT. THIRD READING. *TABLED FOR 30 DAYS AFTER THIRD READING ON 5/28/19.*

Mr. Oberdorf moved and Mr. Staczek seconded the motion to read by title only. All ayes. Motion carried. Mr. Ruse moved and Mr. Densic seconded the motion to amend Section 1 by inserting \$2,750,000 as the cost. All ayes. Motion carried. Mr. Ruse moved and Mr. Densic seconded the motion to adopt. All ayes. Motion carried.

**#2019 – 40** - AN ORDINANCE MAKING CERTAIN CHANGES TO THE EXPENSE APPROPRIATIONS FOR THE PERMANENT RECREATION IMPROVEMENTS FUND FOR THE YEAR BEGINNING JANUARY 1, 2019 AND ENDING DECEMBER 31, 2019, AMENDING ORDINANCE 2018-67.

Mr. Densic moved and Mr. Heban seconded the motion to read by title only. All ayes. Motion carried. Mr. Ledesma said this is to replace the tot lot platforms. Mr. Densic said this had been reviewed by the finance committee. Mrs. Eckel moved and Mr. Heban 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. Mrs. Eckel moved and Mr. Oberdorf seconded the motion to adopt. All ayes. Motion carried.

*Mrs. Eckel moved and Mr. Ruse seconded the motion to bring ordinance #2019-11 Amended from the table. All ayes. Motion carried.*

**#2019-11 AMENDED** - AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING A REPEAL OF ROSSFORD MUNICIPAL CODE SECTION 921.07(b) (3), RESIDENTIAL WASTE COLLECTION REGULATIONS, AND ENACTING A NEW ROSSFORD MUNICIPAL CODE SECTION 921.07 (b)(3), RESIDENTIAL WASTE COLLECTION REGULATIONS.

*Had three readings, tabled 30 days on 4-8, tabled 30 days on 5-13, and tabled 30 days on 6-24.* Mrs. Eckel moved and Mr. Densic seconded the motion to adopt. All ayes. Motion carried.

### **RESOLUTIONS**

None

### **COUNCIL REMARKS**

Mr. Staczek said he is concerned about a safety issue at the marina regarding the electrical outlets. Mr. Densic explained that the electrical outlets at the marina do not GFI breakers. The marina committee is to meet and present an ordinance. Mr. Staczek congratulated the mayor, Mr. Ciecka, Attorney Heban, Rex Huffman, the Port Authority, and city council and school board for doing an outstanding job in getting Amazon to locate here.

Mr. Oberdorf said Amazon coming is fantastic and thanked the mayor for all his hard work in getting this done. He congratulated Mrs. Freeman on another well-deserved award. He offered his condolences to the family of former city employee Sylvia Bicanovsky.

*Mr. Ruse moved and Mrs. Eckel seconded the motion to suspend with the August committee of the whole meeting. All ayes. Motion carried.*

Mrs. Eckel congratulated Mrs. Freeman, said that Stroll the Street has been awesome and thanked everyone involved, congratulated the mayor for getting Amazon, and said that the Rossford Cares committee is accepting donations for the family of Joshua Stone.

Mr. Ruse offered a well done to the mayor on Amazon and asked about the completion of the Baumgartner garage on Lime City Rd. Attorney Heban will check on that.

Mr. Heban thanked the mayor for his vision and welcomed Amazon, congratulated Mrs. Freeman, and said that O'Brien will be restarting their work on the master plan in view of the Amazon announcement.

Mr. Densic congratulated Mrs. Freeman, reminded the committees to submit their priority list in the next two weeks, and asked Mr. Ciecka for information on responsibilities of the two committees that have Recreation responsibilities. Mr. Ciecka said that in 2011 council looked at the committee structures and created a Facilities Parks & Marina committee without defining its role on Parks versus the Recreation committees' responsibility. He said it is unclear and needs further defined roles. Mr. Densic suggested the two committees discuss what they think their roles are and then bring it to council for discussion.

#### **AUDIENCE REMARKS**

Kevin Urrutia, 331 Jennings Rd. thanked Mr. Ledesma for his efforts in running the youth football league.

Wendell Charles, Cove Lane asked why work had stopped on the Lime City/Buck Rd. roundabout. Mayor Mackinnon said construction had been halted due to multiple issues with utility lines.

State Representative Haraz Ghanbari congratulated the mayor and council on the Amazon announcement and said there is a lot of excitement regarding this.

*Mr. Staczek moved and Mr. Densic 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