

RECORD OF PROCEEDINGS
Minutes of Rossford City Council Meeting
Held August 24 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, Oberdorf, Eckel, Marquette, Ruse, Heban, and Densic all present.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES: Minutes of August 10, 2020 regular council meeting were presented to council. Mr. Oberdorf moved and Mr. Staczek seconded the motion to approve the minutes. All aye except Mr. Heban who abstained. Motion carried.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA: Agenda for regular council meeting of August 24, 2020 was presented to council. Ordinances #2020-55 and #2020-56 were added to the agenda. Mr. Staczek moved and Mrs. Eckel seconded the motion to accept the agenda as amended. All ayes. Motion carried.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Public Safety committee report from August 19, 2020 was presented by Mrs. Eckel (see written report). Mr. Marquette said he thought it was decided last spring that the private residences in the Colony would place the buoys. Mr. Staczek responded that the marina committee voted to put out the buoys this year and turn down the grant next year rather than putting out as more of a hazard due to high water. He said they are not in the proper place and not spread out. Mr. Staczek said he also disagrees with the discussion regarding parking inside the Colony saying the only problem has been with one property on Colony Rd. outside the gates. His suggestion was to make Colony Rd. from Eagle Point Rd. to the gates no parking from 7am-11am and 4pm-7pm. Mr. Ruse commented that no overnight parking was never discussed. Mrs. Eckel said the committee will review after looking at the ORC. Recreation committee report from August 10, 2020 was presented by Mr. Oberdorf(see written report).

REPORT OF MAYOR AND/OR ADMINISTRATOR

Ms. Murray thanked all city employees and citizens for their support during this crisis, said the Colony project is down to the punch list, lawn restoration will take place after Labor Day, the roundabout project is behind by two weeks due to Columbia Gas and other utilities and that the inconvenience is the price of progress, Vineyard/Groce should be done by week of September 6th, and that the curb has been moved by the high school. She said on the agenda is Ordinance #2020-53 which are expenditures covered under the CARES act and must be related to COVID i.e. gloves, wipes and other items referenced on exhibit attached to legislation. She asked council to review the items allowed by this grant and forward her any ideas for further allowed expenditures. She noted Ordinance #2020-54 needs to be passed tonight or on 9/14 as needs to be to the county by midnight on the 14th. Mr. Densic noted the air purification item in the CARES exhibit and said to make sure it is compatible with our system.

Mayor Mackinnon read a proclamation for Prostate Cancer Awareness Week. He then asked council to approve his appointment of Todd Audet as economic development director to retain and attract industry and investment. He said Mr. Audet will also act as an in-house engineer and project manager for infrastructure projects. Mr. Staczek said he met Mr. Audet last week and was impressed with his honesty forthrightness, demeanor, and list of accomplishments and encouraged council to accept the appointment. Mr. Staczek said Mr. Audet's compensation will come from TIF funds. Mr. Densic asked if we can use TIF money and if he is a contract employee or employee-based w/benefits. Mayor Mackinnon said he can be paid from the 2017 TIF and he will start as a contract employee.

Mr. Staczek moved and Mr. Heban seconded the motion to accept the mayor's appointment of Todd Audet as Economic Development Director. All ayes. Motion carried.

CORRESPONDENCE

One piece of correspondence, a letter of recognition from Chief Kitzler to Officer Brandon Lewis, was read to council.

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. SECOND READING

Mr. Heban moved and Mr. Staczek seconded the motion to read by title only. All ayes. Motion carried. Mr. Staczek said he is against this ordinance as despite 18 years old being old enough to serve in the military they receive training in the military and not for council. Mr. Densic moved and Mr. Marquette seconded the motion to adopt. Vote on the motion was Staczek, Oberdorf, Eckel, and Ruse no; Marquette, Heban, and Densic aye. Motion failed 3-4.

#2020 - 52 - AN ORDINANCE CERTIFYING TO THE COUNTY AUDITOR AN ASSESSMENT AND LIEN UPON CERTAIN PROPERTY IN THE CITY OF ROSSFORD PURSUANT TO ROSSFORD MUNICIPAL CODE SECTION 1327.07 AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

Mr. Staczek moved and Mrs. Eckel seconded the motion to read by title only. All ayes. Motion carried. Mr. Densic said this was discussed in Finance committee and needs to be approved this evening. Mr. Densic moved and Mrs. Eckel 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 Mrs. Eckel seconded the motion to declare an emergency. All ayes. Motion carried. Mr. Densic moved and Mrs. Eckel seconded the motion to adopt. All ayes. Motion carried.

#2020 - 53 - AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING EXPENDITURES FROM THE SPECIAL REVENUE FUND, FUND 290, THE CORONAVIRUS RELIEF FUND (CRF) BEFORE DECEMBER 28, 2020.

Mr. Oberdorf moved and Mr. Densic seconded the motion to read by title only. All ayes. Motion carried. Mr. Marquette said he is glad to see 24 hours EMS. Mr. Densic asked if this needs to be passed now and will we have more expenditures. Ms. Murray answered yes. Mr. Heban said Ms. Murray and the department heads did a great job putting this together. Mr. Heban moved and Mrs. Eckel 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. Heban moved and Mrs. Eckel seconded the motion to adopt. All ayes. Motion carried.

#2020 – 54 - AN ORDINANCE LEVYING SPECIAL ASSESSMENTS FOR THE COST OF IMPROVING SOUTH COLONY ROAD, NORTH OF HILLSIDE DRIVE AND SOUTH OF EAGLE POINT ROAD, IN ROSSFORD, WOOD COUNTY, OHIO, TOGETHER WITH THE NECESSARY APPURTENANCES

Mr. Staczek moved and Mr. Densic seconded the motion to read by title only. All ayes. Motion carried. Mr. Staczek 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. Staczek moved and Mr. Densic seconded the motion to declare an emergency. All ayes. Motion carried. Mr. Staczek moved and Mr. Densic seconded the motion to adopt. All ayes. Motion carried.

#2020-55 – AN ORDINANCE ACCEPTING A COASTAL MANAGEMENT ASSISTANCE GRANT FROM THE OHIO DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES FOR THE ROSSFORD MARINA; AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

Mr. Densic moved and Mr. Staczek seconded the motion to read by title only. All ayes. Motion carried. Mr. Densic said this covers the park and marina area. 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.

#2020-56 – AN ORDINANCE MAKING CERTAIN CHANGES TO THE EXPENSE APPROPRIATION FOR THE YEAR ENDING JANUARY 1, 2020 AND ENDING DECEMBER 31, 2020, AMENDING ORDINANCE 2019-74

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

RESOLUTIONS

None

COUNCIL REMARKS

Mr. Oberdorf asked if anyone saw a need for a committee of the whole meeting in September. *Mr. Staczek moved and Mr. Densic seconded the motion to suspend with the September committee meeting. All ayes. Motion carried.*

Mr. Staczek said the detour sign by the Stop and Shop needs to be moved over as it partially blocks the lane when turning right from Eagle Point Rd. and asked that better coordination take place on NWWSD projects so we are not tearing up roads we just fixed.

Mrs. Eckel said we need to get with Mr. Audet and establish construction standards for the community and ways to handle NWWSD doing things to our roads. She thanked Ms. Murray and all the department heads for their work on the CARES grant.

Mr. Heban welcomed Mr. Audet to our team, thanked Ms. Murray and the department heads also, and said he will be meeting with O'Brien next week.

Mr. Densic offered his welcome to Mr. Audet, thanked Ms. Murray and the department heads also, asked about the pickup of the recycling bins, and asked for an update on the RFP for the schools. Ms. Murray said it is just about done and we also have a couple of quotes from different auction companies to come in and auction the contents. Mr. Densic would like to see council meet in chambers going forward.

AUDIENCE REMARKS

Erin Crawford, 544 Bruns Dr. Rossford thanked council for their work with Waste Management on continuing recycling and suggested the city look into grant funding for a railroad overpass over either Lime City Rd. or Glenwood Rd.

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

Neil A. Mackinnon III
Mayor

Robert P. Watrol
Clerk of Council