

**RECORD OF PROCEEDINGS**  
Minutes of Rossford City Council Meeting  
Held September 8, 2014

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

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

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES:** Approval of regular council meeting minutes of August 25, 2014. Mr. Wagner moved and Mr. Ruse seconded the motion to approve the minutes. All ayes. Motion carried.

**APPROVAL OF AGENDA:** Agenda for regular council meeting of September 8, 2014 was presented to council. Mr. Wagner moved and Mr. Staczek seconded the motion to accept the agenda. All ayes. Motion carried.

**COMMITTEE REPORTS**

Finance & Insurance committee minutes from August 25th were presented by Mr. Minarcin (see written report).

**REPORT OF MAYOR AND/OR ADMINISTRATOR**

Mr. Ciecka said the application for the third phase of the Glenwood Rd. repaving project had been filed with the OPWC.

Mayor Mackinnon said 1999 RHS graduate Jonathon Bennett will be a contestant on the new season of Dancing with the Stars and that an event is being planned to coincide with the season premiere. He noted that Martin-Lark Insurance is moving their headquarters to the former Mercy Health building on Schreier Rd. /Dixie Hwy. and congratulated Finance Director Freeman on being awarded the Ohio Auditor of State award for the fifth consecutive year and presented her with the plaque. He then introduced special guest Gavin Boggs who he said has been an inspiration to the entire city over this last year as he has endured and battled against his disease. He presented Gavin with a proclamation in honor of Gavin Boggs Day.

**CORRESPONDENCE**

None

**ORDINANCES**

**#2014 – 54 - AN ORDINANCE AMENDING ROSSFORD MUNICIPAL CODE SECTION 505.08 AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY. 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.

**#2014 – 55 - AN ORDINANCE ENACTING ROSSFORD MUNICIPAL CODE SECTION 521.15. SECOND READING**

Mrs. Eckel moved and Mr. Staczek seconded the motion to read by title only. All ayes. Motion carried. Mr. Ruse asked if there is someone locally who deals with these PODS that we should notify of this legislation. Mrs. Eckel said there is one local vendor. This was given a second reading only.

**#2014 – 56 - AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE AMENDMENT OF ROSSFORD MUNICIPAL CODE SECTION 351.16(b), PARKING AND STORAGE OF CERTAIN VEHICLES AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY. SECOND READING**

Mr. Staczek moved and Mrs. Eckel seconded the motion to read by title only. All ayes. Motion carried. Mr. Marquette said this will go three readings and be reviewed by the zoning committee. Mr. Wagner said after reviewing this ordinance it looks like we are giving a blanket exemption in the core commercial district and that maybe we should look at these on a case by case basis instead. Mr. Minarcin said he wants to see the city cleaned up completely and asked Mr. Heban if we can stop empty buildings from

being used as storage areas. Mr. Ruse asked that the zoning committee look at a way a usage could be considered non-conforming until the property usage changed. Mr. Heban thinks it is a good idea to send to committee. He said this ordinance is in the parking section and possibly could look at exempting certain properties. Mrs. Eckel some properties have only been used for storage and thinks doing over the entire commercial district might be a bad idea. -This was given a second reading only.

**#2014-58 - AN ORDINANCE FOR EXPENDING FUNDS FROM THE STATE HIGHWAY AND STREET MAINTENANCE FUNDS, A SUPPLEMENTAL APPROPRIATION AND AMENDING THE FY2014 BUDGET ORDINANCE 2013-63 AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.**

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

Mr. Ciecka said this is a supplemental request for funding for work and signal upgrades being done in the downtown area. Mrs. Eckel moved and Mr. Ruse 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 said he would like council to be updated as the engineering study on the back-in parking proceeds so that if looks like it is not going to work we can stop the study. Mr. Ciecka said the pilot project should be instituted this weekend. Mrs. Eckel moved and Mr. Minarcin seconded the motion to declare an emergency. All ayes. Motion carried. Mrs. Eckel moved and Mr. Minarcin seconded the motion to adopt. All ayes. Motion carried.

**#2014 – 59 - AN ORDINANCE ACCEPTING DONATIONS AND MAKING CERTAIN CHANGES TO THE EXPENSE APPROPRIATION AND ESTIMATE OF REVENUES FOR THE YEAR BEGINNING JANUARY 1, 2014 AND ENDING DECEMBER 31, 2014 AMENDING ORDINANCE 2013-63 AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY**

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

Mr. Ciecka said this is supplemental to the 2014 budget to allow for the increase in revenues attributed to the money raised by the RBA for the fireworks for Riverfest. Mr. Ruse moved and Mr. Minarcin 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. Minarcin seconded the motion to declare an emergency. All ayes. Motion carried. Mr. Ruse moved and Mr. Minarcin seconded the motion to adopt. All ayes. Motion carried.

**#2014-60 – AN ORDINANCE TO APPROVE CURRENT REPLACEMENT PAGES TO THE ROSSFORD MUNICIPAL CODE AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.**

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

Mr. Heban said this could go multiple readings and is a housekeeping ordinance that conforms our municipal code to changes made to the ORC. Mr. Minarcin asked if the changes to the ORC apply before we pass this and Mr. Heban said no but that our officers can still cite under the ORC. Mr. Marquette moved and Mr. Ruse 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. Marquette moved and Mr. Ruse seconded the motion to declare an emergency. All ayes. Motion carried. Mr. Marquette moved and Mr. Ruse seconded the motion to adopt. All ayes. Motion carried.

**#2014 – 61 - AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE PURCHASE OF A 2015 CHEVROLET TAHOE FOR USE BY THE FIRE DEPARTMENT; AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.**

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

Mayor Mackinnon said he thinks everyone has had a chance to review and discuss this and that he would like to see this passed this evening. Mr. Minarcin asked if the \$31,650 amount is for the vehicle only and was told yes, it does not include add on equipment. Mr. Ciecka said this will be purchased under an exemption in the ORC allowing us to not go out for bids if the price is less than the state price. Mr. Staczek moved and Mr. Wagner 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. Wagner seconded the motion to declare an emergency. All ayes. Motion carried.

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

**#2014 – 62 - AN ORDINANCE PROVIDING COMPENSATION FOR CERTAIN EMPLOYEES (NON-BARGAINING) OF THE CITY OF ROSSFORD, REPEALING ANY PORTIONS OF ORDINANCES IN CONFLICT THEREWITH; AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.**

Mrs. Eckel moved and Mr. Wagner seconded the motion to read by title only. All ayes. Motion carried. Mayor Mackinnon asked that this be given a first reading only and sent to the finance committee for review. This was given a first reading only.

**#2014 – 63 - AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE ADMINISTRATION TO DISPOSE OF CERTAIN SURPLUS PROPERTY NOT NEEDED FOR ANY MUNICIPAL PURPOSE AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.**

Mrs. Eckel moved and Mr. Wagner seconded the motion to read by title only. All ayes. Motion carried. Mr. Ciecka said these are surplus items from both the fire and police departments. Mr. Minarcin 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. Minarcin moved and Mrs. Eckel seconded the motion to declare an emergency. All ayes. Motion carried. Mr. Minarcin moved and Mrs. Eckel seconded the motion to adopt. All ayes. Motion carried.

### **RESOLUTIONS**

**#2014 – 20 - A RESOLUTION TO APPROVE THE AMOUNTS AND RATES AS DETERMINED BY THE BUDGET COMMISSION AND AUTHORIZING THE NECESSARY TAX LEVIES AND CERTIFYING THEM TO THE COUNTY AUDITOR.**

Mrs. Eckel moved and Mr. Ruse seconded the motion to read by title only. All ayes. Motion carried. Mr. Ciecka said this is an annual procedural matter regarding the budget in which we accept the millage rates. Mrs. Eckel moved and Mr. Ruse 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. Staczek seconded the motion to adopt. All ayes. Motion carried.

### **COUNCIL REMARKS**

Mrs. Eckel said it looks like the fire hydrant by the library has been removed and was told by Mr. Ciecka it had been moved farther down. She said we need to get a letter out to the contractors working in town regarding the route of the Halloween parade and the need for them to clean up and fill in holes.

Mr. Staczek said the Hannum Ave. should be posted with no parking signs for the Halloween parade as was done last year. He said that the Toledo Free Press is still being delivered at the curb in violation of our ordinance and that a burned out boat is still sitting behind the duplex on Glenwood Rd. and is a safety hazard. He also said he would like to see more than “Happy Holidays” on every banner on the boulevard as our Christmas decorations.

Mr. Minarcin congratulated Mrs. Freeman for a job well done, said the zoning inspector is doing a good job, and asked how ordinances get on the agenda without going to committee first. Mr. Ciecka said some ordinances come to the agenda from the administration knowing there are multiple readings and so an opportunity to send to committee.

Mr. Wagner said he had received a complaint from a citizen about the fire hydrant at the corner of Superior/Maple which has been covered for about a year. Chief Drouard said he will check on it.

Mr. Ruse asked about the status of the house the city now owns on Wales Rd. Mr. Ciecka said it has been secured and that we are looking at the best way to utilize. Mr. Ruse said the red light at Buck Rd. is not changing from red to green properly, that it may be time for a second round of letters from the contractors working in town giving a number for residents to contact with question or problems, and that it is poor scheduling on the contractors part to be working on Eagle Point Rd. right in front of Eagle Point School early in the morning when children are walking to school. He wished to clarify that in our discussions on the water issue we have never suggested we were looking at pulling out of the Toledo system. He said he attended the TMACOG meeting last week and that the Buck Rd. /Lime City project has went through the first round of voting and was on the top 4 list for the region with two more groups to vote and the next vote should be either September 26 or October 24. He said he also attended the TMACOG caucus

meeting and that healthy discussion continued with our neighbors about ongoing issues such as road salt and safety.

Mayor Mackinnon thanked Mr. Ruse for doing a great job on the 13TV program.

**AUDIENCE REMARKS**

Brenda Hageman, 155 Windsor asked for an explanation of what the surcharge is that we pay on our water and sewer bills. Mr. Ciecka explained the surcharges are by contract and are with Toledo for water and NWWSD for maintenance of lines. She said she does not think we are getting our money's worth. Mayor Mackinnon explained that he is speaking to Mayor Collins almost daily and that talks about water will continue to take place. She also noted that there are holes on Hoffman and Osborn that are only protected by yellow caution tape.

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

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*Neil Mackinnon, III*  
*Mayor*

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*Robert P. Watrol*  
*Clerk of Council*