

**RECORD OF PROCEEDINGS**  
Minutes of Rossford City Council Meeting  
Held September 9, 2019

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

*A moment of silence was observed in memory of former councilman Louis Durkac, former police chief Matt Brichta, and former marina guard Ed Stolar.*

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

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES:** Minutes of August 26, 2019 regular council meeting were presented to council. Mr. Oberdorf moved and Mr. Staczek seconded the motion to approve the minutes. All ayes. Motion carried.

**APPROVAL OF AGENDA:** Agenda for regular council meeting of September 9, 2019 was presented to council. Executive session for purpose of discussing contract negotiations was added to the agenda. Mr. Densic moved and Mr. Heban seconded the motion to accept the agenda as amended. All ayes. Motion carried.

**COMMITTEE REPORTS**

*Mrs. Eckel entered the meeting.*

Public Works committee report from September 4, 2019 was presented to council by Mr. Ruse (see written report). Mr. Ruse said after the meeting they determined that the Buck/Lime City roundabout is scheduled to be completed by the end of September with the entire project completed by the end of November. Mr. Oberdorf asked why the quality of the road work done by the school district near the new elementary school was considered substandard and Mr. Ruse responded that the joints were not sealed. Mrs. Eckel said she will have written minutes of the Public Safety committee meeting at the next meeting but said three items discussed were low staffing levels in the fire department, determination that Maumee fireboat is not sufficient for our needs so will continue to look at other options, and that a decision needs to be made on the demo fire truck as other interested parties are looking at.

**REPORT OF MAYOR AND/OR ADMINISTRATOR**

Mrs. Freeman deferred to Mr. Kolb who said brush pickup will be week of September 22<sup>nd</sup>. . Mayor Mackinnon congratulated the Rossford Bd. of Ed. saying the dedication of the new stadium was an incredible event, noted there are only a few more Stroll the Street weeks left, and that Balloon Fest is coming up at the end of the month.

**CORRESPONDENCE**

A letter of appreciation from Chief Kitzler to Officer Lewis was read to council regarding assistance provided above and beyond call of duty.

*Mr. Ruse moved and Mr. Heban seconded the motion to go into executive session for the purpose of discussing contract negotiations. All ayes. Motion carried.*

*Mr. Ruse moved and Mr. Oberdorf seconded the motion to return to regular session. All ayes. Motion carried.*

## **ORDINANCES**

### **#2019 – 43 - AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING A CONTRACT WITH OPTUMHEALTH CARE SOLUTIONS, LLC; AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY. SECOND READING**

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

### **#2019 – 49 - AN ORDINANCE AMENDING ROSSFORD MUNICIPAL CODE SECTION 137.12 (COMPOSITION); AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.**

Mrs. Eckel moved and Mr. Densic seconded the motion to read by title only. All ayes. Motion carried. Attorney Heban said this increases the minimum manpower in the police department by one officer. Mr. Heban moved and Mr. Oberdorf 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 Mr. Ruse seconded the motion to declare an emergency. All ayes. Motion carried. Mr. Heban moved and Mr. Ruse seconded the motion to declare an emergency. All ayes. Motion

### **#2019 -50 - AN ORDINANCE TO APPROVE A COLLECTIVE BARGAINING AGREEMENT WITH AFSCME (PUBLIC WORKS) AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.**

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

### **#2019 – 51 - AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING A CONTRACT WITH THE PUBLIC DEFENDERS COMMISSION OF WOOD COUNTY FOR THE REPRESENTATION OF INDIGENT DEFENDANTS IN “ORDINANCE ONLY” CASES FILED BY THE CITY OF ROSSFORD**

Mr. Oberdorf moved and Mr. Heban seconded the motion to read by title only. All ayes. Motion carried. Attorney Heban said this is an annual agreement. Mr. Oberdorf 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. Oberdorf moved and Mr. Heban seconded the motion to adopt. All ayes. Motion carried.

### **#2019-52 - AN ORDINANCE PROVIDING FOR THE ISSUANCE AND SALE OF \$2,750,000 OF NOTES, IN ANTICIPATION OF THE ISSUANCE OF BONDS, FOR THE PURPOSE OF PAYING COSTS OF IMPROVING CITY STREETS AND ROADWAYS IN THE EAGLE POINT COLONY NEIGHBORHOOD BY CONSTRUCTING, RECONSTRUCTING, PAVING, GRADING, DRAINING AND MAKING OTHER IMPROVEMENTS AND, IN CONNECTION THEREWITH, CONSTRUCTING AND RECONSTRUCTING, AS NECESSARY, CURBS, GUTTERS, SIDEWALKS, CONCRETE APRONS, STORM SEWERS AND RELATED DRAINAGE FACILITIES, ALL AS DESIGNATED IN THE PLANS APPROVED OR TO BE APPROVED BY COUNCIL, AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.**

Mrs. Eckel moved and Mr. Staczek seconded the motion to read by title only. All ayes. Motion carried. Mrs. Freeman said she needs this passed tonight as wants to sell the notes in the next week and allow work to commence. 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.

## **RESOLUTIONS**

**#2019 – 22 - A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO ACCEPT THE TRANSFER OF BRIDGE OWNERSHIP AND MAINTENANCE RESPONSIBILITIES FOR BRIDGES LOCATED IN THE CITY OF ROSSFORD FROM WOOD COUNTY, AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY**

Mr. Densic moved and Mr. Staczek seconded the motion to read by title only. All ayes. Motion carried. Attorney Heban said per Ohio Revised Code the Wood County engineer has the authority to have maintenance of bridges taken over by the municipality. Mr. Ruse said bridge inspections are required every two years and the county engineer has agreed to do the next inspections and then we will try to get on ODOT's schedule for inspections but we will still have responsibility for maintenance and replacement responsibilities. This was given a first reading only.

**#2019 – 23 - RESOLUTION ESTABLISHING A CITY POLICY ON COST ALLOCATION FOR ASSESSMENT PROJECTS; AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY**

Mr. Oberdorf moved and Mr. Staczek seconded the motion to read by title only. All ayes. Motion carried. Mrs. Freeman handed out a corrected exhibit. Mrs. Eckel asked what is additional parking bay width and Mr. Ruse said that refers to road widening to allow parking on one side of the road. This was given a first reading only.

**#2019 – 24 - 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.**

Mr. Densic moved and Mr. Heban seconded the motion to read by title only. All ayes. Motion carried. Mrs. Freeman said she needs this passed tonight and needs to be to the county auditor by September 20<sup>th</sup>. She said this is a procedural step that verifies levy amounts. Mrs. Eckel 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. Mrs. Eckel moved and Mr. Staczek seconded the motion to adopt. All ayes. Motion carried.

## **COUNCIL REMARKS**

Mr. Staczek said he loves the fireworks at Vets Park but is concerned about the hot debris falling on boats in the marina that have fuel tanks venting, canvas tops, or gel coats that can be damaged. He said if we blow up a boat there will be a chain reaction and said the location from which the fireworks are shot off should be determined by the wind direction. Chief Drouard said the fireworks are placed ahead of time and Mr. Staczek said the wind direction can be determined a couple days in advance.

Mr. Oberdorf said he sympathizes with the boaters and suggested this be sent to the public safety committee for further discussion. He also asked that someone look at the house on the corner of Riverview/Osborn where the hedges interfere with the traffic sight lines.

Mrs. Eckel said she shares the boaters concerns and the public safety committee will look at this. She asked again about the status of getting a new fire truck and Mayor Mackinnon said he, Mr. Ciecka, and Mrs. Freeman will talk about that tomorrow.

Mr. Ruse asked why the fireworks were moved from the previous launch site on Jennings Rd. and said that is something for the committee to look at, told Mrs. Eckel the committee is still tweaking the language on Resolution 2019-23 and said the Colony Association expressed their thanks for moving forward on the Colony project.

Mr. Densic said he agreed with the public safety committee reviewing the fireworks issue, asked that the facilities committee meet to discuss a grant application and some master planning. He also facilities committee to talk about the school properties and the O'Brien master plan project. He also said there is a garage on alley at 170 Bergin that is a safety concern and Chief Drouard said the zoning inspector is aware of this. He also said public works is working with MSG and NWWSD on possibly some pavement overlay on Eagle Point Rd.

**AUDIENCE REMARKS**

Tiffany Densic, 107 Birch said she wanted it entered into the record for future action on the fireworks issue. She said this is a serious issue giving as an example an injury and damage to canvas. She said implored council to look at this issue two years ago and again is doing so. She would also like a fire pumper stationed at the marina during the fireworks.

Tommy Love, 549 Bruns, said he is dock space #10 on the north wall and he complained last year about the fireworks debris over the marina. He said they were launched this year knowing the debris would blow over the marina and listed a number of things he said the city should have done. He said we need to take this problem seriously before it is too late.

Kevin Urrutia, 331 Jennings Rd. said he likes to hear council discuss these issues like the fireworks rather than go to committee.

*Mrs. Eckel said the public safety committee will meet on September 16<sup>th</sup> at 8:00am.*

*Mr. Ruse moved and Mr. Heban 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