

RECORD OF PROCEEDINGS
Minutes of Rossford City Council Meeting
Held November 9, 2015

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

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

APPROVAL OF MINUTES: Approval of regular council meeting minutes of October 26, 2015. Mr. Oberdorf moved and Mr. Minarcin seconded the motion to approve the minutes. All ayes. Motion carried.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA: Agenda for regular council meeting of November 9, 2015 was presented to council. Resolution #2015-22 was added to the agenda. Mr. Minarcin moved and Mr. Wagner seconded the motion to accept the agenda as amended. All ayes. Motion carried.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

None

REPORT OF MAYOR AND/OR ADMINISTRATOR

Mayor Mackinnon congratulated and thanked the players, coaches, band, and cheerleaders for what he called maybe the most exciting night in RHS football history with the first playoff win in school history. He said there will be a community bonfire Wednesday night to celebrate and sendoff the team for the next game. He introduced Judy Sikorski who talked about her trip to NYC in October to visit the 9-11 Memorial and present a challenge coin from the Rossford Fire Department celebrating its 100th year and said the coin will go to the FDNY Museum. She also presented a replica American flag to the fire department which contains the name of every 9/11 victim. She noted that every piece of glass in the World Trade Towers came from LOF. The mayor then introduced Joe Braden from the State of Ohio who presented the Auditors Award with Distinction to Karen Freeman for the 6th consecutive year, an award that fewer than 5% of the cities in Ohio receive. Mayor Mackinnon then presented proclamations to the RHS Varsity Golf team for being NBC champs for the 2nd consecutive year, to Jackson Murphree who was captain of the team and NBC player of the year and 1st team all-league and also to Casey Desmond who was first team all-league. He then introduced a very special guest Kasey Paige and presented her with a proclamation recognizing her bravery and courage as she undergoes treatment for kidney disease and said she has the support of the entire community and declared today as Kasey Paige Day. He also congratulated all the newly reelected council members.

Mr. Scott said the Colony Road pump station project is proceeding and that E. Elm Tree Rd. will be closed during the day. He said public works has begun putting up Christmas decorations, that the tree lighting ceremony will be November 23rd at 6:30pm., asked people to put leaves on the tree lawn not the street, notified council that public works will be planting 49 new trees and have removed all the docks at the marina. He said the Rudolph Run will be on December 5th, that we had received a \$47,000 matching grant to redo the tennis courts at Veterans Park, that the last yard waste pickup will be November 25th, and that the Ford Memorial is being reroofed and other work done. He said the city offices will be closed on Wednesday in honor of Veterans Day.

Karen Freeman said the city will be participating in a program called Ohio Checkbook which is a free website through the State of Ohio which will have the city financial information online.

CORRESPONDENCE

A thank you letter from Habitat for Humanity to Mike Scott for the city's support of the "Rock the Block" event on October 17th was read to council.

ORDINANCES

#2015 – 51 - AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND THE CODIFIED ORDINANCES OF THE CITY OF ROSSFORD AND TO ADOPT A NEW INCOME TAX AND ASSOCIATED REGULATIONS FOR TAX YEAR 2016 AND THEREAFTER. SECOND READING

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

#2015-52 - AN ORDINANCE AMENDING ROSSFORD MUNICIPAL CODE SECTION 1137.13, TEMPORARY SIGNS AND BANNERS, OF THE PLANNING AND ZONING CODE. SECOND READING

Mr. Minarcin moved and Mrs. Eckel seconded the motion to read by title only. All ayes. Motion carried. Mr. Marquette said he does not think this needs to go to three readings as he talked to the committee regarding Mrs. Eckel's question on two signs allowed for corner lots and the committee agreed to keep at one sign per property for now with right to appeal. Mr. Marquette moved and Mr. Oberdorf seconded the motion to suspend with the third reading. Audience comments were requested and none received. Vote on the motion all ayes. Motion carried. Mr. Marquette moved and Mrs. Eckel seconded the motion to adopt. All ayes. Motion carried.

#2015 – 53 - AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE AMENDMENT OF THE ZONING MAP OF THE CITY OF ROSSFORD AND ADOPTING A NEW ZONING MAP OF THE CITY OF ROSSFORD. SECOND READING.

Mr. Oberdorf moved and Mrs. Eckel seconded the motion to read by title only. All ayes. Motion carried. Mrs. Eckel expressed concern about making this change before seeing any plans for development. Mr. Minarcin asked if anyone had sent questions to Jerry Parker and was told by Mr. Scott no. Mr. Staczek said his concerns had been addressed from the last meeting but said he agrees with Mrs. Eckel. Mayor Mackinnon outlined the three requirements for this being market rate units, so many units under construction by year 3, and site plan approval from the planning commission prior to construction. Mr. Heban said under the present zoning it would take a special use permit to construct residential. Mr. Scott said we need more housing in that area so we need to work with people and the reason we are requesting the zoning change is no developer will put \$50-100,000 into plans with the hopes the zoning would change. He noted that the mayor has put in stop gaps in the event this does not develop and that any site plans will come to the planning commission and council. Mr. Wagner would like the three stipulations to be in writing. Mr. Heban said they are and would be attached to the zoning change. Mr. Oberdorf said the safeguards have been established and it would be in the best interest of the city to pass this ordinance. Mrs. Eckel argued that conceptual drawings do not cost that much and Mr. Scott said that there is no developer and that the landowners are requesting the zoning change not any developer. This was given a second reading only.

#2015 – 54 - AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE ADMINISTRATION TO ENTER INTO A BOND PURCHASE AND COOPERATIVE AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE CITY OF ROSSFORD; THE ROSSFORD, OHIO TRANSPORTATION IMPROVEMENT DISTRICT; PERRYSBURG TOWNSHIP; NORTHWESTERN WATER & SEWER DISTRICT; AND U.S. BANK NATIONAL ASSOCIATION; AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY. SECOND READING.

Mrs. Eckel moved and Mr. Wagner seconded the motion to read by title only. All ayes. Motion carried. This was given a second reading only.

#2015 – 55 - AN ORDINANCE TO APPROVE AN ESTIMATE OF REVENUES AND APPROPRIATIONS FOR CURRENT EXPENSES AND OTHER EXPENDITURES FOR THE CITY OF ROSSFORD, OHIO FOR THE PERIOD BEGINNING JANUARY 1, 2016 AND ENDING DECEMBER 31, 2016 AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

Mr. Oberdorf moved and Mr. Staczek seconded the motion to read by title only. All ayes. Motion carried. Mr. Scott said this can go to at least the second reading as there are still some adjustments to be made. This was given a first reading only.

#2015 -56 - AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE ENTERING INTO AN AGREEMENT WITH BURGESS HEARSE AND AMBULANCE TO MOUNT THE 2001 FORD AMBULANCE ON A NEW CHASSIS, 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 this has been vetted through safety committee. Mr. Wagner said the current ambulance has been out of service for over a month and needs \$3500 in repair. We do not want to spend this as this is slated for replacement in 2016 so the intent is to put the body on a new chassis now and get this back into service. Mr. Wagner moved and Mrs. Eckel seconded the motion to suspend with the second and third reading. Audience comments were requested and none received. Vote on the motion all ayes. Motion carried. Mr. Wagner moved and Mrs. Eckel seconded the motion to declare an emergency. All ayes. Motion carried. Mr. Wagner moved and Mrs. Eckel seconded the motion to adopt. All ayes. Motion carried.

RESOLUTIONS

#2015-21 - A RESOLUTION ADOPTING RULES AND RESTRICTIONS FOR TEMPORARY "A" FRAME SIGNS PURSUANT TO ROSSFORD MUNICIPAL CODE 1137.13(H) SECOND READING
Mr. Oberdorf moved and Mr. Staczek seconded the motion to read by title only. All ayes. Motion carried. Mr. Oberdorf moved and Mr. Staczek seconded the motion to suspend with the third reading. Audience comments were requested and none received. Vote on the motion all ayes. Motion carried. Mr. Oberdorf moved and Mr. Staczek seconded the motion to adopt. All ayes. Motion carried.

#2015-22 – A RESOLUTION DECLARING THE OFFICIAL INTENT AND REASONABLE EXPECTATION OF THE CITY OF ROSSFORD ON BEHALF OF THE STATE OF OHIO (THE BORROWER) TO REIMBURSE ITS 697 STORMWATER FOR THE HILLSIDE DRIVE AND COLONY ROAD SEWER SEPARATION (CE33R) WITH THE PROCEEDS OF TAX EXEMPT DEBT OF THE STATE OF OHIO AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

Mr. Staczek moved and Mr. Wagner seconded the motion to read by title only. All ayes. Motion carried. Mr. Scott said this resolution is part of the financial package of the Hillside Drive project and is for a loan we agreed to and is about \$260,000 at 0% interest rate. Mrs. Eckel moved and Mr. Oberdorf seconded the motion to suspend with the second and third reading. 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 declare an emergency. All ayes. Motion carried. Mrs. Eckel moved and Mr. Oberdorf seconded the motion to adopt. All ayes. Motion carried.

COUNCIL REMARKS

Mr. Staczek said the police department did an excellent job keeping the Trick or Treaters safe on Halloween and also congratulated the RHS football team for their first playoff win and wished them good luck on this Friday.

Mr. Oberdorf thanked all the candidates who ran in the last election and asked for a motion for the organizational meeting to be held on December 7th.

Mrs. Eckel moved and Mr. Staczek seconded the motion to hold the organizational meeting on Monday, December 7th. All ayes. Motion carried.

Mrs. Eckel congratulated all the candidates for elected office, thanked the police and fire departments for their help on Halloween night, wished good luck to the football team, and reminded everyone of the RHS Drama event this weekend.

Mr. Marquette congratulated the newly elected councilmen and asked that some pressure be applied to the school board for plans to improve the entrance to the athletic complex. Mr. Scott said he is meeting with the school next week.

Mr. Wagner congratulated the newly reelected councilmen and thanked Mr. Densic for running and said he was disappointed that only one person ran. He thanked the community for the passage of the renewal 3.5mill tax levy, congratulated the football team, and thanked all our veterans.

Mr. Minarcin thanked everyone who voted in the election, said the new sign at the Ford Memorial looks great, and wished everyone a Happy Veterans Day.

Mayor Mackinnon acknowledged five students from Notre Dame Academy and had them introduce themselves to council. He also acknowledged that Sgt. Marek was here tonight as acting police chief as Chief Goss is out of town and thanked the department for a great job on Halloween night.

AUDIENCE REMARKS

Judy Sikorski, 1024 Dixie Highway thanked the mayor for the repairs being done to the Ford Memorial.

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

*Neil Mackinnon III
Mayor*

*Robert P. Watrol
Clerk of Council*