

RECORD OF PROCEEDINGS
Minutes of Rossford City Council Meeting
Held December 12, 2016

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

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

APPROVAL OF MINUTES: Minutes of November 28, 2016 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 December 12, 2016 was presented to council. Zoning and Facilities, Parks, & Marina committee minutes were added to the agenda. Mr. Staczek moved and Mr. Wagner seconded the motion to accept the agenda as amended. All ayes. Motion carried.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Finance & Insurance committee meeting report from November 28th was presented by Mr. Minarcin (see written report). Mr. Minarcin asked Mr. Scott if he had an update on the LED lighting from Edison and Mr. Scott said he has not heard back yet.

Facilities, Parks, & Recreation committee meeting report from December 8th was presented by Mr. Staczek (see written report). Mr. Ruse asked if we would be able to get a security grant for new windows and Mr. Staczek said we would for new windows at the administration building. Mayor Mackinnon said the geese at Veterans Park are out of control and that we have contacted two companies and are waiting for a free assessment and ideas on how to control.

Zoning & Technology committee meeting report from December 8th was presented by Mr. Staczek who is not the chairman but had requested the meeting (see written report). Mr. Ruse clarified that no bids have been requested on the land use plan only a request for qualifications.

REPORT OF MAYOR AND/OR ADMINISTRATOR

Mr. Scott said the Rudolph Run will be on the morning of December 17th with the same route as last year, and the Rec Center parents night out will be on February 11 from 6-9pm. The Rec building will be closed on January 13th for the installation of backflow preventers. Twenty-three new trees have been planted and the roof replacement on the public works building is underway. The fire department was manned during the recent snow event and the NW Ohio Volunteer Fire Fighter convention will be held in Rossford on June 16th and 17th. reports that they have made 93 runs so far in November. The police department reports that the firing range project is moving along and the Civil Service commission will meet on December 1st to discuss the police civil service test. The police department received a resignation from Officer Schroeder who is going to Perrysburg Township. He also reported that all other entities have approved the participation agreement for the roundabout project.

Mayor Mackinnon thanked Mr. Kolb and the public works department for an excellent job during the recent snow event and said the planning and execution was fantastic. He thanked all the department heads and city council for a great job this year and thanked all the participants in

the roundabout project. He said the IPS remodeled Ford Club building will be the anchor for our central business district. He wished everyone a Merry Christmas and Happy New Year.

CORRESPONDENCE

None

ORDINANCES

#2016-48 – AN ORDINANCE TO APPROVE THE ESTIMATE OF REVENUES AND APPROPRIATIONS FOR CURRENT EXPENSES AND OTHER EXPENDITURES FOR THE CITY OF ROSSFORD, OHIO FOR THE PERIOD BEGINNING JANUARY 1, 2017 AND ENDING DECEMBER 31, 2017. THIRD READING

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

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

#2016 – 51 - AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND ORDINANCE 2015 -55 THE 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. SECOND READING

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

Mrs. Freeman said Exhibit B can be found on the back of Exhibit A. This was given a second reading only.

#2016-53 - AN ORDINANCE APPROVING THE CITY ADMINISTRATOR TO PURSUE DEBT FUNDING FOR FOUR (4) ROADWAY IMPROVEMENT PROJECTS.

Mr. Oberdorf moved and Mr. Staczek seconded the motion to read by title only. All ayes. Motion carried.

Mr. Scott said this came out of the finance committee and that we are looking to protect about \$1.2

million in grant funds for these four projects. He said Mrs. Freeman had come up with how much money we would need to borrow to fund these projects and came up with \$3 million. Mr. Marquette wanted to

make sure that by voting for this tonight he is not committing to these projects and Mr. Scott said no, that each project will have to come back to council for approval. Mr. Ruse asked if these projects need to go to

public works and eventually council to be better defined and Mr. yes and that some needed to move

quickly such as the Lime City/SR65 and bike path project as they need to be at TMACOG by February

15th. Mr. Scott said the ability to borrow is the first step and the second step would be for council to vote

on the scope of the project and the third step would be to vote on the bond. Mr. Wagner said he cannot

vote for funding on a project that council has yet to approve such as the Lime City/SR65 intersection.

Mayor Mackinnon responded by saying there is a short window on this grant funding. Mr. Ruse said

council has seen three options for the Lime City/SR65 intersection just not a new fourth option and the

intent is for the public works committee to review that before the January council meeting. Mr. Staczek

said he agrees with Mr. Wagner that doing this would set a precedent that if we get a grant we will

approve a project. Mayor Mackinnon said he does not see any risk in securing the funding before deciding

if want to do a project. He said we need grants for funding projects citing the roundabout as a grant

funded partnership. Mr. Minarcin said the ordinance references that public works has reviewed these four

projects and recommended and that finance has recommended seeking funding. Mr. Wagner said he is

fine with seeking funds but not before approving the project. Mr. Ruse said this is step one and step two

would be clarifying before the January meeting what our approach will be on the Lime City/SR65

intersection. He said we are not taking out the debt now but being prepared to do so in the future. Mr.

Oberdorf respectfully disagrees with Mr. Wagner and Mr. Staczek as he wants to know the funding is

available before approving the projects rather than approve and then trying for the money. Mr. Scott

reiterated that this is a three step process with step one looking for funding, step two being approved by

council and step three seeking to borrow on notes. If council would not approve in step two the funds

would not be sought. Mr. Wagner said that with our current S&P rating we will not have any problem

obtaining credit and again cited that he feels council needs to decide on the project first. Mr. Marquette

moved and Mr. Oberdorf seconded the motion to suspend with the second and third readings. Audience

comments were requested and Bob Densic, 107 Birch Dr. said based on the discussion among council he feels the second and third readings should not be suspended so that the public has time to respond. Vote on the motion was all ayes except for Mr. Wagner who voted no. Motion carried 5-1. Mr. Marquette moved and Mr. Oberdorf seconded the motion to adopt. Marquette, Oberdorf, Minarcin, Ruse aye. Staczek, Wagner no. Motion carried 4-2.

RESOLUTIONS

#2016 – 37 - A RESOLUTION SUPPORTING THE ESTABLISHMENT OF THE MAUMEE RIVER WATER TRAIL AS A DESIGNATED WATER TRAIL BY THE OHIO DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES; AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY. THIRD READING

Mr. Oberdorf moved and Mr. Staczek seconded the motion to read by title only. All ayes. Motion carried. Mr. Minarcin asked if the signs have been bought and Mr. Scott said they cost less than \$500. Mr. Wagner moved and Mr. Staczek seconded the motion to adopt. All ayes. Motion carried.

COUNCIL REMARKS

Mr. Staczek thanked the public works department for their work over the last 24 hours, extended his condolences to the Heban, Boris, and Plicinski families, and wished everyone a Merry Christmas.

Mr. Oberdorf said our public works department has a record of excellence and wished everyone a Merry Christmas and a safe New Year.

Mr. Ruse wished everyone a Merry Christmas.

Mr. Ruse moved and Mr. Minarcin seconded the motion to amend the agenda and move the executive session to the second meeting of December 12th. All ayes. Motion carried.

AUDIENCE REMARKS

Sophie Jackson introduced herself and said she was here as part of her government project. She is a junior from Lake HS and the daughter of Dr. Angela Jackson

Dick Goeke, 121 Harbor Point Rd. questioned how much it would cost to mill and fill roads in the city especially Eagle Point Rd. west from Colony to Harbor Point. Mayor Mackinnon estimated \$20 million to mill/fill all roads in the city and Mr. Ruse estimated \$300,000 for Eagle Point Rd. Mr. Goeke asked about the money for the roundabout and was told that was already budgeted plus another \$200,000 for other roads. Mr. Goeke would like to see the section of Eagle Point he previously mentioned made a priority. He also gave some statistical information regarding traffic from Penta and disagreed with the roundabout and Mayor Mackinnon responded that this has been passed and the commitment made.

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

Neil A. MacKinnon III
Mayor

Robert P. Watrol
Clerk of Council