## City Council Chambers

7:00 P.M.

September 8, 2020

(Due to the need for Covid-19 related need for social distancing, tonight's meeting was held at the Logan-Hocking Middle School Library since it allowed space for social distancina while seated.)

Guests: Mayor Greg Fraunfelter, Safety-Service Director Bruce Walker, Law Director Abby Saving and City Auditor Chris Robers. City Treasurer Jen Fickel was absent.

**Call to Order:** The meeting was called to order by President Fred Hawk at 7:00 p.m. and led the Pledge of Allegiance. Jim Robinson gave the prayer.

**Roll Call:** Present – Mike Berry, Shirley Chapman, Dave Driscoll, Judie Henniger, James Martin, and Jim Robinson. Ed Tucker was absent.

Dave Driscoll made a motion to excuse Tucker's absence from tonight's meeting. Robinson seconded the motion. After a voice vote the motion unanimously carried.

**Approval of Proceedings:** Chapman made a motion to approve the August 25, 2020 minutes as submitted and was seconded by Henniger. After a voice vote the motion unanimously passed.

## **People Appearing Before Council:**

## **REPORTS:**

Mayor – The mayor read information regarding the dangers of prostate cancer and declared September Prostate Cancer Awareness month. Fraunfelter then updated Council on the status of ongoing projects.

- 1. The east city gate project is moving forward; one side now has words attached and will have lighting and landscaping done soon.
- 2. An effort is being made to request to extend the census deadline to accomplish a more accurate census total. Members of Council were asked to sign three copies of letters making this appeal.
- 3. More CARE dollars could soon be available is Congress passes this next bill. An additional \$252,000.00 will need to be spent by the end of the year or it will be lost. Council should consider ways to do this, perhaps by making it available to local businesses for use to address Covid-19 related expenses. Chapman asked if businesses would have to prove how they spent the money but Fraunfelter said no, that would not be necessary. Berry inquired if money not spent would need to be returned to which Fraunfelter responded yes.
- 4. The USDA may make money available money available to update and extend fire and police force needs if the city would provide a 25% match.

- 5. There will be a recognition of local First Responders at Worthington Park this Friday, September 12, 2020 at 1:00 p.m..
- 6. ODOT grant money may soon be available, possible as much as \$68,000.00 which could be used to complete the aqueduct project in the Dicken Addition.
- 7. The new city pool may open this weekend if they pass a final inspection this week.

<u>Safety-Service Director</u> – Walker mentioned the new pool could potentially open this weekend and that the new water plant had been up and running for two weeks with no problems. The new water lines project was still ongoing and that work on Zanesville Avenue was to have started today.

<u>Law Director</u> - No report

<u>City Auditor</u> – Auditor Robers submitted his August Auditor's Report for approval. Robinson made a motion to accept the report as submitted which was seconded by Driscoll. After a voice vote the motion unanimously carried.

<u>City Treasurer</u> – Robers then submitted the July Treasure's report for Treasurer Fickel. Robinson made a motion to accept the July report as submitted which was seconded by Driscoll. After a voice vote the motion unanimously carried.

<u>Finance</u> – The next committee meeting will be Monday September 14, 2020 at 1:00 p.m. in Council Chambers.

<u>Public Utilities</u> - No report

Recreation No report

Water & Sewer -No report

<u>Streets and Alleys</u> – The committee is still looking at possible street vacations. There will be a meeting Wednesday, September 23, 2020 at 3:00 p.m. in Council Chambers.

Public Safety - No report

<u>Planning and Annexation</u> – Chapman scheduled a meeting for Monday September 14, 2020 at 8:30 a.m. in Council Chambers to discuss the new sign ordinance proposal.

<u>Cemetery & Parks</u> – No report

**Reading of Communications** – None

## **LEGISLATION:**

EMERGENCY:
None
THIRD READING:
None
SECOND READING
Ordinance 50, 2020
AN ORDINANCE APPROPRIATING THE TOTAL SUM OF \$800.00 FROM UNAPPROPRIATED MONEY IN THE GENERAL FUND.
Resolution No. 19, 2020
RESOLUTION ACCEPTING THE AMOUNTS AND RATES AS DETERMINED BY THE BUDGET COMMISSION AND AUTHORIZING THE NECESSARY TAX LEVIES AND CERTIFYING THEM TO THE COUNTY AUDITOR. Robinson inquired if anyone had found out who was on the Budget Commission and Robers said it was a three person panel but no one from the city was a member.
FIRST READING:
None
ADJOURN: A motion was made by Chapman and seconded by Henniger to adjourn. The motion passed by voice vote – all yea. The meeting adjourned 7:23 p.m.
Merrilee Carlson, Clerk Fred Hawk, Council President