

**Minutes of Logan City Council Regular Meeting**  
**City Council Chambers 7:00 P.M. August 25, 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 distancing while seated.)*

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

Also attending: Tom Meese

**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, Jim Robinson, and Ed Tucker.

**Approval of Proceedings:** Tucker made a motion to approve the August 11, 2020 minutes as submitted and was seconded by Chapman. After a voice vote the motion unanimously passed.

**People Appearing Before Council:**

Tom Meese – Meese lives on Keynes Drive, directly across this narrow street from the swimming pool; he has lived there for eight years. He was upset about the new “water park” (the new pool constructed on the exact location as the old pool) and the way it impacts his privacy. “Someone standing on that giant slide can look right into my home.” He pointed out the proximity of the pool to his home and reiterated the problems it created for his privacy. He asked council, “What are you going to do about this?” Tucker asked Meese, “What do you think we should do about this?” Meese responded, “Buy my property. If you lived there what would you do? How would you feel?” Henniger pointed out that since this concern was just brought to council’s attention, they could not tell him at that moment; they could not respond with decisions about possible action. Meese thanked them for their time and left the meeting.

Brief discussion of council pointed out that Meese has resided at this location 8 years. He had ample time and opportunity to investigate new pool plans and construction. With time, living in close proximity to the pool may prove to be a positive situation for him.

**REPORTS:**

Mayor – The mayor identified several projects that were currently being addressed.

He mentioned the Goodyear lift station, work to complete the aqueduct, the city gate project (they are hoping to relocate the west gate further west on Chieftain Drive), and the new city impound lot.

Safety-Service Director – Walker said the new pool passed the AEP electric inspection and will begin the two day process of filling it with water. The work on Zanesville Avenue has begun and the new water plant went on line this morning at 4:00 a.m. and has been “working okay so far.” He also said that as a result of the recent Streets and Alleys Committee meeting, he contacted an engineer to investigate estimates for finishing Edgehill Drive.

Here the mayor interjected he had called Jen Fickel to check on her health status and learned she had blood clots in her lungs and had been ill for approximately one month.

Law Director – No report

City Auditor – Robers submitted the July Auditor’s Report to council. Robinson made a motion to accept the report as submitted which was seconded by Driscoll. After a voice vote the motion unanimously carried.

City Treasurer – No report

Finance – Robinson submitted minutes for the August 17, 2020 meeting. Robers estimated the cost overrun for the new pool to be \$35,000.00. The code enforcement officer has requested funds for new computer software and miscellaneous items totaling \$800.00. He said there was currently \$98,000.00 left to use for paving and repairs this year but it is clear that Edgehill Drive paving will have to wait until next year.

Public Utilities - No report

Recreation No report

Water & Sewer -No report

Streets and Alleys – Henniger said the committee had decided to seek advice from an engineer regarding next steps for completing Edgehill Drive, with hopes of getting the street on the 2021 list for street paving. She informed council about consulting with the city Planning Commission regarding the proposed street vacation of Walnut Drive (Ordinance 25, 2020). The Planning Commission recommended to not vacate the street as it was one of only two means of access to a 40 acre space that showed potential for future residential development. Tucker made a motion to un-table Ordinance 25, 2020 so it could have a Third Reading, which was then seconded by Berry. At this point Law Director Saving intervened and recommended an easier plan would be to simply table the ordinance indefinitely. Tucker rescinded his original motion as did Berry. Henniger then

made a motion to table Ordinance 25, 2020 indefinitely which was seconded by Berry. After a roll call vote the motion carried unanimously. Henniger then added that there would be a meeting September 23, 2020 at 3:00p.m. with a consultant regarding the traffic congestion at Walmart. An additional access entrance/exit is needed, to help alleviate this issue. Saving mentioned that there was also a congestion problem at the intersection of Hunter Street and St. Rt. 664 due to Kroger traffic. Fraunfelter said it was possible to put in a right hand turn lane which would help significantly but plans for that were currently on hold. The next Streets and Alleys Committee meeting will be Monday, August 31, 2020 at 9:00 a.m. in Council Chambers.

Public Safety – No report

Planning and Annexation – Chapman reported that the committee was still working on a proposal for a sign ordinance. The next meeting would be Tuesday, September 1, 2020 at 8:00 a.m. in Council Chambers.

Cemetery & Parks – No report

**Reading of Communications** – Carlson informed the Council she had received a list of city vendors that sell liquor/alcohol and had paid their fees, if they were interested in viewing the list.

## **LEGISLATION:**

### **EMERGENCY:**

None

### **THIRD READING:**

Ordinance 46, 2020

AN ORDINANCE CREATING A NEW LINE ITEM WITHIN THE CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT FUND AND APPROPRIATING FROM UNAPPROPRIATED MONEY IN THE CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT FUND THE SUM OF \$29,500.00 TO THE NEWLY CREATED LINE ITEM. Robinson made a motion to approve the ordinance which was seconded by Driscoll. After a roll call vote the motion carried, all aye.

Ordinance 47, 2020

AN ORDINANCE APPROPRIATING THE TOTAL SUM OF \$10,000.00 FROM UNAPPROPRIATED MONEY IN THE GENERAL FUND. Robinson made a motion to

approve the ordinance which was seconded by Driscoll. After a roll call vote the motion carried, all aye.

Ordinance 48, 2020

AN ORDINANCE CREATING TWO NEW LINE ITEMS WITHIN THE LOCAL CORONAVIRUS RELIEF FUND AND APPROPRIATING FROM UNAPPROPRIATED MONEY IN THE LOCAL CORONAVIRUS RELIEF FUND THE TOTAL SUM OF \$232,542.60 TO THE NEWLY CREATED LINE ITEMS AND INCREASING EXPECTED REVENUE IN THE LOCAL CORONAVIRUS RELIEF FUND BY \$232,542.00. Robinson made a motion to approve the ordinance which was seconded by Martin. After a roll call vote the motion carried, all aye.

**SECOND READING:**

None

**FIRST READING:**

Ordinance No. 50, 2020

AN ORDINANCE APPROPRIATING THE TOTAL SUM OF \$800.00 FROM UNAPPROPRIATED MONEY IN THE GENERAL FUND. These funds are for the new software and miscellaneous items needed by the code enforcement officer.

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. There was brief discussion questioning was on the Budget Commission, concerned if any members were Logan residents.

Before adjournment, Chapman kindly acknowledged the clerk for her participation in the 100<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the 19<sup>th</sup> Amendment celebration this past Sunday at Worthington Park.

Fraunfelter said that in late September there was a Land Bank Conference that he encouraged council members to attend. The date of the conference would be provided at a later time.

Tucker expressed interest in understanding why council meetings were no longer to be held at the Senior Citizens Center. Despite a few theories discussed, Hawk suggested it was basically due to a conflict of use; the Hocking Hills United

Methodist church was paying for the opportunity to have access to the building.

ADJOURN: A motion was made by Chapman and seconded by Henniger to adjourn.  
The motion passed by voice vote – all yea. The meeting adjourned 8:00 p.m.

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Merrilee Carlson, Clerk

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Fred Hawk, Council President