

Minutes of Logan City Council Regular Meeting
City Council Chambers 7:00 P.M. April 28, 2020

(The Co-Vid 19 pandemic is impacting everything including the way City Council must conduct business. Tonight's meeting was a new format; members were isolated at home but called in to a collective audio meeting which was aired to the public through WLGN 103.3 radio.)

Guests: Mayor Greg Fraunfelter, Safety Service Director Bruce Walker, Auditor Chris Robers, Treasurer Jen Fickel, Law Director Abby Saving and John Stran (Logan Daily News)

Call to Order: The meeting was called to order by President Fred Hawk at 7:00 P.M. Hawk then lead the Pledge of Allegiance and prayer.

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

Council President Fred Hawk extended his appreciation to 103.3 WLGN for hosting tonight's city council meeting.

Approval of Proceedings: Chapman made a motion to approve the April 14, 2020 minutes as submitted which was seconded by Henniger. After a voice vote the motion unanimously passed.

People Appearing Before Council: None

Mayor: 1. Fraunfelter stated that there were now 12 official and 4 probable Covid-19 patients in Hocking County. 2. Code Enforcement Officer Posey is currently prosecuting 203 code enforcement violations. 3. The mayor requested a meeting with the Cemetery & Parks Committee regarding the upcoming community cleanup. 4. A committee of community members have worked to quickly create a graduation celebration for Logan's graduating high school seniors, including banners to hang along the city streets. A "get it done attitude is alive and well in our community", the mayor said. 5. The next City Council meeting, May 12, 2020, will be held in the Council Chambers instead of being aired on WLGN. 6. The mayor is currently in the final phases of hiring Sarah Stanzi as the code enforcement summer intern.

Safety-Service Director – Walker said all city projects are still on schedule, particularly the new water plant and the new city pool, which is showing obvious progress.

Law Director – No report

City Auditor – No report

City Treasurer – No report

Finance –Robinson submitted minutes for the April 20, 2020 committee meeting where they discussed the economic impact Covid-19 is having on the city. They did not recommend a spending moratorium for the city at this time. The next meeting is set for Monday, May 4, 2020 at 9:00 am in the Council Chambers.

Public Utilities - No report but Chapman was pleased to acknowledge that SOPEC had announced they will be lowering the electricity rates for 12 months, using totally renewable energy.

Recreation – No report

Water & Sewer –Berry said the committee met with Roger Shaw regarding a possible RV park which might eventually constructed near Gray Street. To make this possible, the RV park will need to access the city water and sewage lines but since the location is outside the city limits, an ordinance will need to be developed and passed for access to be permitted. Work on the development of this ordinance is pending.

Streets and Alleys – Henniger said the committee now desires to table Ordinance No. 25, 2020 (the vacating of an alley) until more research can be done. Another possible vacation of an alley (Canal Alley) will also be postponed while more research is done. The committee has sent a list of upcoming city streets to be paved this year to the street department. The suggestion of creating east/west one-way streets is also being investigated and will be addressed at a later time.

Public Safety – No report

Planning and Annexation – No report

Cemetery & Parks – No report but Tucker set a meeting for Monday, May 4, 2020 at 10:00 am in Council Chambers.

Ad Hoc Committees – No report

Reading of Communications – None

LEGISLATION:

EMERGENCY:

None

THIRD READING:

Ordinance No. 20, 2020

AN ORDINANCE RENAMING A LINE ITEM WITHIN THE FIRE EQUIPMENT FUND.

Robinson moved to pass the ordinance which was seconded by Tucker. After a roll call vote the motion passed, all voting yea.

Ordinance No. 21, 2020

AN ORDINANCE RENAMING A LINE ITEM WITHIN THE FIRE LEVY FUND. Driscoll moved to pass the ordinance which was seconded by Tucker. After a roll call vote the motion passed, all voting yea.

Ordinance No. 22, 2020

AN ORDINANCE ESTABLISHING A FIRE TRUCK SERVICE FUND AND CREATING A NEW LINE ITEM WITHIN THE FIRE TRUCK SERVICE FUND AND APPROPRIATING FROM UNAPPROPRIATED MONEY IN THE FIRE TRUCK SERVICE FUND THE SUM OF \$66,000.00. Robinson moved to pass the ordinance which was seconded by Chapman. After a roll call vote the motion passed, all voting yea.

Ordinance No. 23, 2020

AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE AUDITOR TO ACCEPT THE BID FROM SOFTWARE SOLUTIONS INC. AND ENTER INTO A CONTRACT WITH SOFTWARE SOLUTIONS INC. FOR THE PURCHASE OF ENTERPRISE ACCOUNTING AND PAYROLL SOFTWARE. Robinson moved to pass the ordinance which was seconded by Driscoll. After a roll call vote the motion passed, all voting yea.

Ordinance No. 24, 2020

AN ORDINANCE APPROPRIATING THE SUM OF \$4,000.00 FROM UNAPPROPRIATED MONEY IN THE GENERAL FUND. Chapman moved to pass the ordinance which was seconded by Martin. After a roll call vote the motion passed, all voting yea.

Resolution No. 12, 2020

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO ADVERTISE FOR SALE AND TO SELL OUTDATED CITY EQUIPMENT WHICH IS NO LONGER NEEDED BY THE CITY OF LOGAN AT PUBLIC AUCTION AT THE CITY OF LOGAN STREET AND WATER GARAGE ON RADIO LANE. Robinson moved to pass the resolution which was seconded by Driscoll. After a roll call vote the motion passed, all voting yea.

SECOND READING:

At this point in the meeting Henniger made a motion to make a correction in the writing of this ordinance. Within the writing of the ordinance it references Walnut Street but it is actually named Walnut Drive. Chapman seconded the motion and after a roll call vote the motion unanimously passed to make this correction.

Ordinance No. 25, 2020

AN ORDINANCE VACATING A PORTION OF A STREET SITUATED BETWEEN LOT 43 AND LOT 44 IN THE WALNUT HILLS SUBDIVISION TO THE CITY OF LOGAN, OHIO, INCLUDING A LINE FROM THE SOUTHERNMOST POINT OF LOT 44 ACROSS THE STREET PERPENDICULAR TO THE NORTHEASTERN BOUNDARY OF LOT 43, PURSUANT TO SECTION 723.05 OHIO REVISED CODE AND WITH THE CONSENT OF THE OWNER OF THE PROPERTY ABUTTING THE PART OF THE STREET THAT IS TO BE VACATED

After this reading, Chapman made a motion to table this ordinance to allow time to research if this was actually in the best interest of the city to vacate this street. Tucker seconded the motion. After a roll call vote the motion unanimously carried to table the ordinance.

FIRST READING:

Ordinance No. 26, 2020

AN ORDINANCE CREATING A NEW LINE ITEM WITHIN THE GENERAL FUND AND APPROPRIATING FROM UNAPPROPRIATED MONEY IN THE GENERAL FUND THE SUM OF \$6,000.00 TO THE NEWLY CREATED LINE ITEM. This money is designated for the payment of the summer intern that will be assisting with code enforcement. The money will later be reimbursed by Ohio University.

Ordinance No. 27, 2020

AN ORDINANCE APPROPRIATING THE SUM OF \$31,547.59 FROM UNAPPROPRIATED MONEY IN THE STORM WATER UTILITY FUND. The State Auditor recommended that this money be taken in the entire amount as in previous years.

Ordinance No. 28, 2020

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING SECTION 50.10(C), TITLED WATER RATES/SPECIAL CHARGES, AND SECTION 50.11(F), TITLED WATER CAPACITY AND METER FEE OF THE CODIFIED ORDINANCES OF THE CITY OF LOGAN, OHIO. The Water and Sewer Committee did some research and observed the city water charges hadn't been revised in 15 years, determining it is now time to do so. Berry acknowledged that Chapman had done extensive research on this issue for the committee.

Ordinance No. 29, 2020

AN ORDINANCE ACCEPTING THE BID FROM SHELLY & SANDS, INC. OF ZANESVILLE, OHIO IN THE AMOUNT OF \$181,881.50 PENDING APPROVAL BY THE

OHIO PUBLIC WORKS COMMISSION, FOR THE PAVING OF CITY STREETS, AMENDING RESOLUTION NO. 38, 2019 TO INCREASE THE CITY'S COSTS OF THE IMPROVEMENT TO FORTY-FIVE PERCENT (45%) AND PAYING THE CITY'S SHARE OF \$81,881.50 OUT OF THE CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT FUND AND THE STREET GOVERNMENT FUND. This ordinance is regarding the annual paving contract to pave city streets, this being the city's match in funds. Without passage of this ordinance there can be no street paving.

Ordinance No. 30, 2020

AN ORDINANCE TO ELIMINATE TWO (2) PARKING SPACES ON THE WEST SIDE OF MULBERRY STREET, SAID PARKING SPACES MORE SPECIFICALLY IDENTIFIED AS THE FIRST NORTH SPACE AND THE FIRST SOUTH SPACE ON EITHER SIDE OF FEDERAL STREET, IN THE CITY OF LOGAN. This ordinance originated in the Streets and Alleys Committee but the change was requested by the Logan Police Department which felt more room was needed to successfully negotiate the turn entering or exiting Federal Street in a vehicle.

ADJOURN: A motion was made by Chapman and seconded by Robinson to adjourn. The motion passed by voice vote – all yea. The meeting adjourned 7:47 p.m.

Merrilee Carlson, Clerk

Fred Hawk, Council President