

COUNCIL

March 4th, 2021

Wilmington City Council met in regular session on Thursday, March 4th, 2020 at 7:30 p.m. Virtually on Zoom with President Mark McKay presiding.

CALL TO ORDER

President of Council called the meeting to order at 7:30 p.m.

ROLL CALL

Roll Call: J. McKay, present; M Snarr, present; K. Fickert, present; M. Purkey, present; N. Eveland, present; B. Liermann, present; K. Swindler, present.

Chief Cravens was present as Sergeant at Arms.

Council participated in the Pledge of Allegiance and moment of silence.

PRESIDENT OF COUNCIL

Motion for approval B. Liermann and seconded by K. Fickert that agenda be accepted as amended and moving R-21-9 to the City Services Committee portion of the agenda.

Motion passed.

Agenda approved.

President McKay asked if there were any changes to the minutes.

Motion by J. McKay and seconded by M. Purkey approve February 18, 2021 minutes as presented.

Motion passed.

Minutes approved.

MAYOR

Mayor Stanforth spoke regarding the ODNR Officer Jason Lagore who passed away recently. Wilmington began adding fluoride to the water last week. There is a Community Blood Drive moving forward. St. Columbkille will have a Fish Fry tomorrow from 4:30-7pm on Friday's during lent.

Thank you to Wilmington PD for having great folks and for all the other local communities first responders that helped respond to emergency at Timbertek last night.

AUDITOR

Auditor Vance had no report.

SERVICE AND SAFETY DIRECTOR

B. Shidaker spoke regarding the passing of ODNR Officer Lagore.

B. Shidaker provided an update on the South South Street and Sugartree intersection and traffic safety devices.

B. Shidaker stated a resolution for Rombach Avenue Grant funding will be before council at the next council meeting and he will be asking for three readings. There will not be access for up to 15-20 minutes in certain segments, but it will occur infrequently. There may be lane restrictions, but than a 15-20 minute segment when the mill is going past one time. There will be lane restrictions and work will begin in June.

COMMITTEE REPORTS AND ACTION

City Revitalization Committee – Chairman M Snarr had no report.

City Services Committee – Chairman N. Eveland had several items to present.

N. Eveland introduced Resolution No. R-21-9 a Resolution Approving the Adoption of the Clinton County Hazard Mitigation Plan, February 2021; and Declaring an Emergency

N. Eveland asked that we have first and second reading only so we can go further in depth in proposal.

K. Swindler echoed N. Eveland's sentiments.

Motion by N. Eveland and seconded by B. Liermann to suspend the rules and give the first and second reading by title only on Resolution No. R-21-9 a Resolution Approving the Adoption of the Clinton County Hazard Mitigation Plan, February 2021; and Declaring an Emergency.

7 yeas.

Motion passed.

The Law Director read the Resolution by title only.

N. Eveland brought discussion regarding cemetery funding and possible levy. Committee discussed last week and discussed the desire to move forward to placing the issue on the ballot for 1 mill on the November 2021 ballot.

J. McKay brought forward the idea to upgrade to column barium. That is a significant cost. There is a lot of deferred maintenance where we have trees that need trimmed, paving that needs to be done, bridges replaces, or other infrastructure items decaying. The Trustees of the cemetery didn't have the funds to deal with this. If we were to approve this to go to the voters, the cemetery would be in good shape for a long time and hopefully, never need to have another levy. I check with townships and they don't maintain them with General Fund Dollars. I hate going to the voters. We didn't ask for the cemetery and were required to take care of it under Ohio Law. Brian Shidaker has done an excellent job handling the funds we were given and stretching them out. We didn't think those funds would be able to last this long. We do an excellent job with the limited resources.

B. Liermann we can't keep kicking the can down the road and we need to provide transparency. We need to let people know how funds are utilized and we don't need to continue digging a hole. 1 mill is the right way to go.

N. Eveland said there are state grants for cemeteries that maybe we can look into. We have to address this and it's a \$150,000.00 question we will have to address.

M. Snarr stated he doesn't know how it became our responsibility and asked if someone could clarify this.

B. Shidaker stated by default if a cemetery association cannot take care of it, we are required by law to take it over. The Ohio Revised Code in 2015 required us to take it over. It wasn't solvent back then and it isn't solvent now. I have a bias for our cemetery because $\frac{3}{4}$ of my grandparents are buried there. Nothing get's purchased at the cemetery without my approval. Without additional funding, this property is not going to be solvent. Some plots were purchased for \$5 and \$10 and that is not enough money to take care of property. Anyone who wants to see expenses at cemetery, I will gladly share.

J. McKay stated we have potential for growth there. We aren't totally landlocked. There is potential for expansion.

M. Purkey asked how much longer do we anticipate the cemetery to operate without expansion.

B. Shidaker stated fifteen years, but we could expand to give us an extended life. The real value is in the land to the west.

N. Eveland wanted other members to think this over and how to proceed.

N. Eveland introduced Resolution No. R-21-6 a Resolution Authorizing the Submittal of a Proposal with the Ohio Department of Transportation for a Grant Through the U.S. DOT Federal Transit Administration (FTA), as Authorized under Federal Transit Law, as Codified, 49 USC Section 5339, Financial Assistance for other than Urbanized Areas and Funds Available from the Ohio Public Transportation Grant Program and Executing a Contract within the Ohio Department of Transportation Upon Grant Proposal Acceptance.

Motion by N. Eveland and seconded by J. McKay to give the first reading by title only on Resolution No. R-21-6 a Resolution Authorizing the Submittal of a Proposal with the Ohio Department of Transportation for a Grant Through the U.S. DOT Federal Transit Administration (FTA), as Authorized under Federal Transit Law, as Codified, 49 USC Section 5339, Financial Assistance for other than Urbanized Areas and Funds Available from the Ohio Public Transportation Grant Program and Executing a Contract within the Ohio Department of Transportation Upon Grant Proposal Acceptance
7 years.

Motion passed.

The Law Director read the Resolution by title only.

N. Eveland introduced Resolution No. R-21-8 a Resolution Declaring Surplus Property to Wit: Used Tractors Valued at more than \$1000; and Authorizing Disposition of Said Property
7 years.

Motion passed.

The Law Director read the Resolution by title only.

Motion by N. Eveland and seconded by B. Liermann to give first reading on the Resolution.
7 years.

Motion Passes.

The Law Director read the Resolution by title only.

Motion by N. Eveland and seconded by B. Liermann to give the second and third readings on the Resolution.

7 years.

Motion Passes.

The Law Director read the Resolution by title only.

Motion by N. Eveland and seconded by B. Liermann to pass the Resolution as read.

7 years.

Motion passes.

President of Council declared Resolution No. R-21-8 passed as read.

Finance Committee – Chairperson K. Fickert had five pieces of legislation to present.

K. Fickert introduced Ordinance No. O-21-5 making miscellaneous appropriations from the “Insurance Deductible/Claim Playments” to “Contractual Services” the sum of \$107,640.00.

Motion by K. Fickert and seconded by J. McKay to give the third reading by title only on Ordinance No. O-21-5 making miscellaneous appropriations.

5 years.

N. Eveland Abstained.

K. Swindler Abstained

Motion passed.

The Law Director read the Ordinance by title only.

Motion by K. Fickert and seconded by J. McKay for passage on Ordinance No. O-21-5 making miscellaneous appropriations.

5 years.

N. Eveland Abstained.

K. Swindler Abstained

President of Council declared Ordinance No. O-21-5 passed as read.

K. Fickert introduced Ordinance No. O-21-9 making supplemental appropriations from “Water Fund” to “Consultant Services” the sum of \$127,981.85, “Sugar Grove Cemetery Fund” to “Bureau of Employment Services” the sum of \$625.04, “General Fund” to “Code Enforcement Incidentals” the sum of \$1,000.00, “Emergency Ambulance Fund” to “Medical Supplies/Incidentals” the sum of \$4,013.58, “Board of Building Standards” to “Ohio Board of Buildings Standards Fees” the sum of \$1,000.00.

Motion by K. Fickert and seconded by K. Swindler to give the first reading by title only on Ordinance No. O-21-9 making supplemental appropriations.

7 years.

Motion passed.
The Law Director read the Ordinance by title only.

Motion by K. Fickert and seconded by K. Swindler to suspend the rules and regulations and give the second and third readings on the Ordinance.
7 yeas.
Motion Passes.
The Law Director read the Ordinance by title only.

Motion by K. Fickert and seconded by K. Swindler to give the second and third readings on the Ordinance.
7 yeas.
Motion Passes.
The Law Director read the Ordinance by title only.

Motion by K. Fickert and seconded by K. Swindler to pass the Ordinance as read.
7 yeas.
Motion passes.

President of Council declared Ordinance No. O-21-9 passed as read.

K. Fickert introduced Ordinance No. O-21-10 Making Miscellaneous Transfers From "Landfill Lease Purchase" to "Capital Equipment" the sum of \$10,200.00, From "Landfill Lease Purchase" to "Waste Landfill Monitoring" the sum of \$7,000.00.

Motion by K. Fickert and seconded by J. McKay to give the first reading by title only on Ordinance No. O-21-10 making miscellaneous transfers.
7 yeas.
Motion passed.
The Law Director read the Ordinance by title only.

Motion by K. Fickert and seconded by J. McKay to suspend the rules and regulations and give the second and third readings on the Ordinance.
7 yeas.
Motion Passes.
The Law Director read the Ordinance by title only.

Motion by K. Fickert and seconded by J. McKay to give the second and third readings on the Ordinance.
7 yeas.
Motion Passes.
The Law Director read the Ordinance by title only.

Motion by K. Fickert and seconded by J. McKay to pass the Ordinance as read.
7 yeas.
Motion passes.

President of Council declared Ordinance No. O-21-10 passed as read.

K. Fickert introduced Ordinance No. O-21-8 an Ordinance Providing for the Issuance and Sale of Notes in Aggregate Principal Amount Not to Exceed \$1,950,000, in Anticipation of the Issuance of Bonds, for the Purpose of Paying at Maturity, Together with other Lawfully Available Funds of the City, the City's Outstanding Series 2020 Phase I Bridge Notes Component of the City's Outstanding Consolidated Issue of Series 2020 Landfill Notes, and Paying Related Lawful Costs of Issuance; Authorizing a Purchase Agreement and a Registrar Agreement; and Declaring an Emergency.

Motion by K. Fickert and seconded by J. McKay to suspend the rules and to give the second and third readings on the Ordinance.
7 yeas.
Motion Passes.
The Law Director read the Ordinance by title only.

Motion by K. Fickert and seconded by J. McKay to pass the Ordinance as read.
7 yeas.
Motion passes.

President of Council declared Ordinance No. O-21-8 passed as read.

K. Fickert introduced Resolution No. R-21-10 a Resolution Enacting Tax Incentive Revie Council Recommendation

Motion by K. Fickert and seconded by M. Purkey to give the first reading by title only on Resolution No. R-21-10 a Resolution Enacting Tax Incentive Revie Council Recommendation 7 yeas.

Motion passed.

The Law Director read the Resolution by title only.

Motion by K. Fickert and seconded by M. Purkey to suspend the rules and regulations and give the second and third readings on the Resolution.

7 yeas.

Motion Passes.

The Law Director read the Resolution by title only.

Motion by K. Fickert and seconded by M. Purkey to give the second and third readings on the Resolution.

7 yeas.

Motion Passes.

The Law Director read the Resolution by title only.

Motion by K. Fickert and seconded by M. Purkey to pass the Resolution as read.

7 yeas.

Motion passes.

President of Council declared Resolution No. R-21-10 passed as read.

Judiciary Committee – Chairperson M. Purkey had no items to report.

Public Works Committee –Chairperson K. Swindler had no items to report.

K. Swindler spoke regarding the addition of fluoride to the water.

Solid Waste/Recycling Committee- Chairperson J. McKay had no items to report.

REPORTS TO COUNCIL

Motion by M. Purkey and seconded by K. Fickert to approve the Income Tax Report as presented.

7 yeas.

Motion passed.

OPEN TO PUBLIC

M. Miller stated the City has hired a new individual at the Transit Department. We have now filled that position and filled it with Allison. She has been with the City for one week. We wanted to reinstall confidence in the Department.

President M. McKay says he hopes we can go back to in person in the near future.

ADJOURNMENT

A motion was made by B. Liermann at 8:49 p.m.

President M. McKay declared meeting adjourned.

ATTEST:



President of Council



Clerk