

Regular

June 19

2008

Ontario City Council met in regular session on June 19, 2008 in the City Offices, with Council President Dave Metzger presiding. The meeting opened at 7:00 p.m. with the Pledge of Allegiance.

The following persons were in attendance when roll was called: Council members Dan Zeiter, Mark Weidemyre, Leon Blackwell, Barry Lewis, Paul Williams, and Joseph W. Cinadr; Mr. Metzger; Mayor Kenneth Bender; Law Director Rebecca Thomas; Service/Safety Director Chuck Au; Ontario Substance Abuse Coordinator Veronica Cain; and Clerk of Council Cathy VanAuker. A number of interested citizens were present in the audience.

Mr. Weidemyre made a motion to excuse Mrs. Hellinger from this evening's meeting. Mr. Blackwell seconded the motion. At roll call, six members voted Aye, zero Nay, and the motion passed.

The minutes of the regular Council meeting of June 5, 2008 were presented for approval. Mr. Williams made a motion to approve the minutes and Mr. Cinadr seconded the motion. At roll call, six members voted Aye, zero Nay, and the motion to approve the minutes passed.

PUBLIC COMMENTARY

Hearing no one who wished to speak, Mr. Metzger closed the Public Hearing portion of the meeting.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Mr. Zeiter reported on the Finance Committee meeting held earlier this evening. The meeting was scheduled because the streets improvement project was 20% lower than the engineer's estimate. As a result of the meeting, two street accounts, 209-6020-52550 and 211-6010-52400, were each reduced by \$50,000.

Mr. Cinadr commended Mr. Zeiter and his committee for the successful fund raiser held last week at the Ontario Middle School for the Milner family.

Mr. Weidemyre, Mr. Blackwell, Mr. Lewis, and Mr. Williams had no report this evening.

MAYOR'S REPORT

Mayor Bender informed Council of the tree planting at Marshall Park this afternoon. Greg Boyce, representing Modern Woodmen of America, donated two pear trees to the City of Ontario in honor of the 50th anniversary of incorporation. The trees were planted to continue the tree row at the park entrance on Dunlap Drive. Council members, Mrs. Hellinger and Mr. Cinadr, were also present. Mayor Bender thanked Mr. Boyce for the donation to the City.

Mayor Bender announced the City has a grass height restriction of eight inches. He encouraged everyone to maintain their properties and businesses to pick up their litter to help keep the City clean.

SERVICE/SAFETY DIRECTOR'S REPORT

Mr. Au had no report.

Mr. Zeiter referenced a \$400 purchase order from Mr. Au for flowers bought at Stony Ridge Greenhouse in Plymouth, Ohio. He asked Mr. Au why he did not purchase the flowers from local nurseries or one of the numerous places that sell flowers and why he used his personal credit card instead of following proper procedure for purchases in the City. Mr. Au said the

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Auditor was not available at the time he wanted the credit card and the flowers purchased in Plymouth were not available at local florists for the same price or nearly as nice. Some of the flowers were purchased here.

SUBSTANCE ABUSE COORDINATOR'S REPORT

Mrs. Cain presented Council the annual report for the Ontario Substance Abuse Program which depicted accumulative totals from its inception in 1991.

- Prevention groups continue to grow at all levels in the district.
- More than 146 high school students participated in weekly meetings, retreats and activities.
- Over 74 middle school students joined efforts in ADIOS.
- Warrior Pride drew 89 fourth graders to the drug free after school monthly meetings.
- Twenty-five seniors participated in the Trader Card program. They presented their cards to every kindergarten through fifth grade class three times during the school year.
- Classroom education was offered to the seventh and ninth grades.
- Mrs. Cain is attempting to grow the Safe Homes Programs. Plans are underway for parents to become involved during the next school year. They will have an opportunity to meet each other so parents will know the parents of their child's friends.
- Twenty students violated the athletic policy this year. Mrs. Cain will work with them to meet their education time and getting them reinstated.
- Community members are beginning to contact her office for guidance.
- This year, 75 high school students put on a drug free Powder Puff Football Game with over 300 spectators.
- The middle school students worked with FCCLA to organize a Truck-or-Treat event. Thirty-five businesses brought company vehicles to not only pass out candy but provide information about their services. Safety was the theme this year for the 140 trick-or-treaters. Hopefully, this event will be expanded for this year.
- The drug testing program is new this year and is for athletes in seventh through twelfth grades.
- The Partner Program can work directly with the random drug testing company and bypass the school.
- The federal grant submitted last year was denied but was resubmitted this year. The results should be known between July and September.
- Mrs. Cain thanked Council for their support and she looks forward to continuing the strong tradition of the Ontario Substance Abuse Program.

LAW DIRECTOR'S REPORT

Mrs. Thomas had no report.

MISCELLANEOUS MATTERS

Mr. Cinadr recommend the upcoming Council meetings be held on July 10th and 24th, and August 14th. Mr. Williams seconded the motion. At roll call, six members voted Aye, zero Nay, and the motion to change the dates of the Council meetings was approved.

Mr. Metzger announced, the Caucus meetings that are held prior to Council will now be conducted in the Council Chambers beginning at 6:15 p.m., followed by Council at 7:00 p.m.

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PUBLIC HEARING

ADOPTING THE TAX BUDGET FOR THE CITY OF ONTARIO FOR THE FISCAL YEAR 2009.

At 7:15 p.m., Mr. Metzger opened the Public Hearing portion of the meeting. Hearing no one who wished to speak and seeing no signatures on the Public Hearing Sign-in Sheet, the Public Hearing portion of the meeting was closed at 7:16 p.m.

CONSIDERATION OF ORDINANCES AND RESOLUTIONS

RESOLUTION NO. 08-07

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE SERVICE/SAFETY DIRECTOR TO ENTER INTO CONTRACT WITH FRIENDS BUSINESS SOURCE FOR COUNTY GOVERNMENT CENTRAL PURCHASING.

Mr. Blackwell made a motion to suspend the rules requiring the reading of Resolution No. 08-07 on three separate days. Mr. Weidemyre seconded the motion. At roll call, six members voted Aye, zero Nay, and the motion to suspend the rules passed. Mr. Weidemyre read Resolution No. 08-07 for the first time, by title only.

Mr. Weidemyre made a motion to adopt Resolution No. 08-07. Mr. Cinadr seconded the motion. Hearing no discussion, six members cast their votes Aye, zero Nay, and Resolution No. 08-07 was adopted.

RESOLUTION NO. 08-08

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE SERVICE/SAFETY DIRECTOR TO ACCEPT BID AND AWARD A CONTRACT FOR THE I&I PROGRAM FOR ONTARIO ROCK ROAD DRAINAGE AREA.

Mr. Williams made a motion to suspend the rules requiring the reading of Resolution No. 08-08 on three separate days. Mr. Cinadr seconded the motion. At roll call, four members voted Aye, two Nay by Mr. Zeiter and Mr. Weidemyre, and the motion to suspend the rules failed. Mr. Zeiter read Resolution No. 08-08 for the first time, by title only.

RESOLUTION NO. 08-10

A RESOLUTION ADOPTING THE TAX BUDGET FOR THE CITY OF ONTARIO FOR THE FISCAL YEAR 2009 AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

Mr. Blackwell made a motion to suspend the rules requiring the reading of Resolution No. 08-10 on three separate days. Mr. Weidemyre seconded the motion. At roll call, six members voted Aye, zero Nay, and the motion to suspend the rules passed. Mr. Lewis read Resolution No. 08-10 for the first time, by title only.

Mr. Lewis made a motion to adopt Resolution No. 08-10. Mr. Cinadr seconded the motion. Hearing no discussion, six members cast their votes Aye, zero Nay, and Resolution No. 08-10 was adopted.

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ORDINANCE NO. 08-26

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING ORDINANCE 08-11 KNOWN AS THE PERMANENT APPROPRIATION ORDINANCE FOR 2008 BY MAKING ADDITIONAL APPROPRIATIONS TO THE GENERAL FUND.

Hearing no motion to suspend the rules requiring the reading of Ordinance No. 08-26 on three separate days, Mr. Blackwell read Ordinance No. 08-26 for the first time, by title only.

At 7:20 p.m., there being no further business to come before the meeting, the same was adjourned upon a motion by Mr. Lewis and a second by Mr. Cinadr. At roll call, six members voted Aye, zero Nay, and the motion to adjourn passed.

President of Council

Clerk of Council