

Regular

August 20

2009

Ontario City Council met in regular session on August 20, 2009 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 Paul Williams, Dan Zeiter, Charlotte Hellinger, Leon Blackwell, Mark Weidemyre, Barry Lewis and Joseph W. Cinadr; Mr. Metzger; Law Director Rebecca Thomas; Mayor Kenneth Bender; Service/Safety Director Charles Au; and Clerk of Council Cathy VanAuker. A number of employees and interested citizens were present in the audience.

The minutes of the regular Council meeting of August 6, 2009 were presented for approval. Mr. Lewis made a motion to approve the minutes and Mr. Blackwell seconded the motion. At roll call, six members voted Aye, zero Nay, one Abstain by Mr. Cinadr, and the motion to approve the minutes passed.

PUBLIC COMMENTARY

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

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Mr. Williams reported on the Utilities Committee of the Whole meeting held earlier this evening to discuss the water/sewer rates and future repairs. He also thanked the employees for their excellent detailed reports presented during this meeting.

Mr. Zeiter scheduled a Finance Committee of the Whole meeting on September 3, 2009, at 5:30 p.m. to review the year-to-date finances.

Mrs. Hellinger announced a Utilities Committee of the Whole meeting for August 26, 2009, at 6:00 p.m.

Mr. Weidemyre commented on the brief Streets Committee meeting held this evening to discuss a variance request in a right-of-way. The Committee determined it was not in the best interest of the City to grant the request.

Mr. Cinadr commended Mayor Bender and the members of the committee working on the General Motors situation. He encouraged everyone to get behind the effort to attract new tenants.

Mr. Blackwell and Mr. Lewis had no report this evening.

MAYOR'S REPORT

Mayor Bender said Motors Liquidation Company has not taken control of the assets under the old GM and it will be a few months before any action is taken. He also said there is definitely some interest in this location.

SERVICE/SAFETY DIRECTOR'S REPORT

Mr. Au had no report.

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LAW DIRECTOR'S REPORT

Mrs. Thomas had no report.

CONSIDERATION OF ORDINANCES AND RESOLUTIONS**RESOLUTION NO. 09-16**

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE SERVICE-SAFETY DIRECTOR TO ENTER INTO AN AGREEMENT WITH OHIO PLAN HAS FOR COMPREHENSIVE LIABILITY INSURANCE, PROPERTY DAMAGE INSURANCE AND RISK MANAGEMENT SERVICES.

Mr. Williams made a motion to suspend the rules requiring the reading of Resolution No. 09-16 on three separate days. Mr. Weidemyre seconded the motion. Seven members cast their votes Aye, zero Nay, and the motion to suspend the rules passed. Mr. Cinadr read Resolution No. 09-16 for the first time, by title only.

Mr. Cinadr made a motion to adopt Resolution No. 09-16. Mr. Williams seconded the motion. Hearing no discussion, seven members cast their votes Aye, zero Nay, and Resolution No. 09-16 was adopted.

ORDINANCE NO. 09-50

AN ORDINANCE ENACTED BY THE CITY OF ONTARIO OF RICHLAND COUNTY, OHIO, HEREINAFTER REFERRED TO AS THE CITY, IN THE MATTER OF THE STATED DESCRIBED PROJECT AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

Mr. Williams made a motion to suspend the rules requiring the reading of Ordinance No. 09-50 on three separate days. Mr. Blackwell seconded the motion. Seven members cast their votes Aye, zero Nay, and the motion to suspend the rules passed. Mr. Lewis read Ordinance No. 09-50 for the first time, by title only.

Mr. Williams made a motion to adopt Ordinance No. 09-50. Mr. Weidemyre seconded the motion. When Mr. Zeiter asked how firm the \$600,000 estimate was for this project, Mr. Swinehart responded that was the engineer's estimate. Mr. Au explained there are variables but this is the best estimate from ODOT for the City's portion; the entire project is close to \$5 million. Seven members cast their votes Aye, zero Nays, and Ordinance No. 09-50 was adopted.

At 7:09 p.m., there being no further business to come before the meeting, the same was adjourned upon a motion by Mr. Williams and a second by Mr. Cinadr. At roll call, seven members voted Aye, zero Nay, and the motion to adjourn passed.

 President of Council

 Clerk of Council