

## Regular

July 5

2012

Ontario City Council met in regular session on July 5, 2012, in the City Offices, with Council President Daniel Zeiter presiding. The meeting opened at 7:02 p.m. with the Pledge of Allegiance.

The following persons were in attendance when roll was called: Council members Paul Williams, Charlotte Hellinger, Mark Weidemyre, Michele Webb, Pamela Drake, Mr. Zeiter, Law Director Allan Sowash, and Clerk of Council Cathy VanAuker. A number of interested employees and citizens were in the audience.

Mr. Williams made a motion to excuse Mr. Arnold from this evening's meeting, with a second by Mrs. Hellinger. At roll call, five members voted Aye, zero Nay, and the motion passed.

Mr. Williams made a motion to excuse Mr. Hairston from this evening's meeting, with a second by Ms. Drake. At roll call, five members voted Aye, zero Nay, and the motion passed.

The minutes of the regular Council meeting of June 21, 2012 were presented for approval. Mr. Weidemyre made a motion to approve the minutes with a second by Mr. Williams. At roll call, five members voted Aye, zero Nay, and the motion to approve the minutes passed.

#### **PUBLIC COMMENTARY**

Craig Hunt, 3680 Park Avenue West, came before Council to ask if anyone from the company who prepared the feasibility study for the pool and soccer field presented the information to Council or has the information only come from the committee. Mr. Weidemyre said the company prepared a lengthy report and have attended public meetings held by the committee. When Mr. Hunt asked if there was any new information on the Rock Road bridge, Mr. Weidemyre said Railroad Representative Solomon Jackson responded to a resident's email and was willing to discuss his ideas. The next meeting with the railroad is scheduled later this month.

Next to come forward was Doris Farina, 133 Alexander Drive East, stating her concern about the traffic congestion on Park Avenue West at the at Lex-Ontario/Ontario-Shelby Road intersection due to South Rock Road being closed. Going west on Park Avenue when the light turns red does not allow for through traffic when a vehicle is turning left, sometimes causing everyone to sit through the entire light cycle. Could a temporary turn signal be installed to make the traffic flow more functional because often times the backup is ten to fifteen cars? Perhaps one side could go at a time like the north and south traffic.

#### **COMMITTEE REPORTS**

Mr. Weidemyre scheduled an Economic Development Committee meeting on July 9, 2012, at 4:00 p.m. to discuss the Spitzer Dodge project which will follow the 3:00 p.m. Finance Committee meeting.

Mr. Williams, Mrs. Hellinger, Mrs. Webb, and Ms. Drake had no report.

#### **LAW DIRECTOR'S REPORT**

Mr. Sowash had no report.

#### **PUBLIC HEARINGS**

At 7:13 p.m., Mr. Zeiter opened the public hearing for amending Section 1146.02(b) Definitions and Section 1146.03(d)(5) Signs by number, size and location of the Codified Ordinances of this City to revise the regulations of the display of banners by business and industries.

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Craig Hunt, 3680 Park Avenue West, came before Council to ask how much larger the banners will be compared to the current size and how will the changes be regulated. Mr. Sowash said the Zoning Inspector will be in charge of enforcing the changes which specify what constitutes a banner and places the length of time a banner is permitted to be displayed.

- Mr. Hunt referred to the banner on the side of the business next to his residence which is 12' x 4', is being used as a sign, but the business is closed for the summer.
- Mr. Sowash read the proposed banner definition and requirements from the legislation that will appear on the agenda at the next regular Council meeting.

Calling twice, and hearing no one else who wished to speak, the public hearing was closed at 7:19 p.m.

At 7:20 pm., Mr. Zeiter opened the public hearing for adopting the Tax Budget for the City of Ontario for the fiscal year 2013. Calling twice, and hearing no one who wished to speak, the public hearing was closed at 7:20 p.m.

### **CONSIDERATION OF ORDINANCES AND RESOLUTIONS**

Mr. Zeiter explained to the audience that due to only five Council members being present this evening the rules requiring three readings cannot be suspended, therefore, legislation will be read for the first time, by title only.

RESOLUTION NO. 12-07 - A RESOLUTION ADOPTING THE TAX BUDGET FOR THE CITY OF ONTARIO FOR THE FISCAL YEAR 2013, AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

Mr. Williams read Resolution No. 12-07 for the first time, by title only.

ORDINANCE NO. 12-17 - AN ORDINANCE APPROVING AND AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTION AND DELIVERY OF AN AMENDMENT OF COMPENSATION AGREEMENT WITH THE ONTARIO LOCAL SCHOOL DISTRICT AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

Mrs. Hellinger read Ordinance No. 12-17 for the first time, by title only.

Mr. Zeiter said the special Council meeting on July 12, 2012 will begin at 6:00 p.m. Caucus will not be held prior to this meeting. The next regular Council meeting will be held July 19, 2012 at 7:00 p.m. with Caucus at 6:15 p.m.

At 7:22 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 Ms. Drake. At roll call, five members voted Aye, zero Nay, and the motion to adjourn passed.

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Daniel J. Zeiter, President of Council

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Cathy VanAuker, Clerk of Council