

Regular

January 17

2013

Ontario City Council met in regular session on January 17, 2013, in the City Offices, with Council President Daniel Zeiter 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, Larry Arnold, Charlotte Hellinger, Jim Hairston, Mark Weidemyre, Michele Webb, and Pamela Drake, Council President Daniel Zeiter, Mayor Larry Collins, Assistant Law Director Harry Welsh, and Clerk of Council Cathy VanAuker. A number of interested employees and citizens were in the audience.

The minutes of the regular Council meeting of January 3, 2013 were presented for approval. Mr. Arnold made a motion to approve the minutes with a second by Mr. Hairston. At roll call, seven members voted Aye, zero Nay, and the motion passed.

PUBLIC COMMENTARY

Calling twice and hearing no one who wished to speak, the Public Commentary portion of the meeting was closed.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Mr. Arnold said City Engineer Linda Timmer met with some of the bidders interested in the 2013 paving project. Bids will close at the end of the month and he will schedule a Streets Committee meeting to discuss the bids.

Mr. Weidemyre said Poggemeyer has submitted a \$46,000 invoice for the EQ tank and asked Utilities Chair Mrs. Hellinger to check if funds would need allocated for payment.

Mr. Hairston reported the Finance Committee meeting held earlier in the week was to work on the permanent budget. 2012 ended with a surplus of \$700,000. A Finance Committee meeting was scheduled for January 29, 2013, at 4:00 p.m.

Mr. Weidemyre said things are moving forward in the GM plant and there is another interested tenant. Mr. Weidemyre spoke to the developers and they agreed to provide a right of way for a rail spur into the Industrial Park. An Economic Development meeting was scheduled for January 21, 2013, at 3:00 p.m., to discuss how to proceed.

Mrs. Webb scheduled a Personnel Committee meeting on January 22, 2013, at 11:00 a.m.

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

MAYOR'S REPORT

Mayor Collins reported past due fines collected from Mayor's Court for December was \$3,305, with current fines of \$20,181 for a total of \$23,486; 152 tickets were written. To recap 2012: past due fines collected were \$100,599.19, with current fines of \$229,706.42 for a total of \$330,305.61 and 1,824 tickets written.

In 2010 there was \$447,000 in past due uncollected fines. To date, \$330,830.65 has been collected, leaving \$116,000 remaining.

The Rock Road bridge is almost down. All of the stones are still there but some are broken and won't be salvaged. Moving of the stones should begin soon.

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Everyone is invited to attend the press release pertaining to the Ontario Business Park on Tuesday, January 22, 2013, at 3:00 p.m., in the Community Room. The Ontario Event Center offered to provide refreshments.

Mr. Zeiter reminded the Mayor he is to give a State of the City report at the first meeting of the year, per the Ohio Revised Code 733.41. Mayor Collins said he was aware of this requirement.

LAW DIRECTOR'S REPORT

Mr. Welsh said the Bargaining session will take place on January 23, 2013. He will request an executive session at the next Council meeting.

MISCELLANEOUS MATTERS

Mr. Zeiter reminded Council members to submit any requests for changes to the Rules of Council by the end of the month and they will be discussed at the next meeting.

CONSIDERATION OF ORDINANCES AND RESOLUTIONS

ORDINANCE NO. 13-03

AN ORDINANCE AWARDING A CONTRACT TO GERMAIN FORD, INC. FOR THE PURCHASE OF A 2013 FORD INTERCEPTOR SEDAN AND AWARDING A CONTRACT TO BYERS CHEVROLET, INC. FOR A 2013 CHEVROLET TAHOE SUV FOR THE TOTAL SUM OF \$55,361.00 THROUGH THE STATE OF OHIO DEPARTMENT OF ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES COOPERATIVE PURCHASING PROGRAM, AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

Mr. Williams made a motion to suspend the rules requiring the reading of Ordinance No. 13-03 on three separate days. Mrs. Webb seconded the motion. Seven members cast their votes Aye, zero Nay, and the motion to suspend the rules passed. Mr. Williams read Ordinance No. 13-03 for the first time, by title only.

Mr. Williams made a motion to adopt Ordinance No. 13-03. Ms. Drake seconded the motion. Hearing no discussion, seven members cast their votes Aye, zero Nay, and Ordinance No. 13-03 was adopted.

At 7:18 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. Arnold. At roll call, seven members voted Aye, zero Nay, and the motion to adjourn passed.

Daniel J. Zeiter, President of Council

Cathy VanAuker, Clerk of Council