

Regular

July 7,

2016

Ontario City Council met in regular session on July 7, 2016, in the City Offices, with Council President Larry Collins 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 Ken Earhart, Eddie Gallo, Larry Arnold, Mark Weidemyre, Michele Webb, Leo Hess, Mayor Randy Hutchinson, Assistant Law Director John Studenmund, Service-Safety Director Jeff Wilson, Auditor Mary Ann Hellinger and Clerk of Council Cathy VanAuker.

Mr. Gallo moved to excuse Dan Zeiter from this evening's meeting. Mr. Weidemyre seconded the motion, and the motion passed unanimously.

The minutes of the regular Council meeting of June 16, 2016 were presented for approval. Mr. Weidemyre moved to approve the minutes with a second by Mr. Gallo. Six members cast their votes Aye, zero Nay, and the motion passed.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Mr. Gallo scheduled a Streets Committee meeting on July 21, 2016 at 5:00 p.m.

Mrs. Webb reported on the Personnel Committee meeting held earlier this evening where they reviewed and discussed changes to the Personnel manual.

Mr. Hess said the Utilities Committee met to discuss the MS4 report, additional street lighting on Rock Road and water plant upgrades.

Mr. Earhart, Mr. Arnold, and Mr. Weidemyre and had no report.

MAYOR'S REPORT

Mayor Hutchinson said the 4th of July Festival went very well. A new company was hired for the fireworks display which was a very good show and they are on contract for a couple of more years.

SERVICE-SAFETY DIRECTOR'S REPORT

Mr. Wilson provided the following update.

Doris Carr Park. In a continuing effort to enhance the parks, ten trees donated by Shafer's Nursery were planted at Doris Carr Park. New playground equipment was installed and there are plans to replace the basketball backboards and rims this summer.

Salt Pricing for Next Winter. Partnering with ODOT, the price for salt next winter is \$43.26 per ton, down \$20.21 a ton from last year. The contract is to purchase 1,500 tons, plus or minus 10%.

Paving Update. Shelly & Sands intend to begin paving about July 18th, beginning on Whitney Avenue and Jacqueline Court, then Beer Road, followed by Clare Road and finishing on Woodbine Drive. Small repair projects will continue throughout the summer.

Mr. Weidemyre asked for a status on the cleaning and maintenance of the disc golf trails. Comments are that people don't know where to start or where to go.

- Mr. Wilson said they are waiting on signs. The coordinator of the project still needs to install concrete tees and he has asked that people adopt a hole, widen the fairways and do any needed trimming. Most of the feedback is positive but the negative comments are on the difficulty of the course. You can begin to see where the trails are developing from the players.

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- Mr. Gallo said he has heard comments about golf paths not being cleared enough but also that this is one of the best course layouts in the state. Hopefully, once the lanes are kept clear it will be easier for novice players. The signs will include a layout showing how to get around the course.

LAW DIRECTOR'S REPORT

Mr. Studenmund said Ordinance No. 16-25 was on the agenda to update Ontario's Code with the ORC statute because this section was omitted previously to the new steps on how to handle marijuana paraphernalia.

MISCELLANEOUS MATTERS

Mr. Collins commented on two items:

- (1) The Ontario Growth Corporation was to have a financial report this evening but the person who usually presents this information is out of town.
- (2) A Finance Committee meeting is scheduled for July 21, 2016 at 5:30 p.m.

PUBLIC COMMENTARY

Hearing no one, the Public Commentary portion of the meeting was closed.

PUBLIC HEARING

At 7:14 p.m., the Public Hearing was opened on the 2017 Tax Budget. Seeing no signatures on the sign-in sheet and hearing no one who wished to speak, the Public Hearing was closed at 7:15 pm.

CONSIDERATION OF ORDINANCES AND RESOLUTIONS

RESOLUTION NO. 16-05

A RESOLUTION ADOPTING THE TAX BUDGET FOR THE CITY OF ONTARIO FOR THE FISCAL YEAR 2017, AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

Mrs. Webb moved to suspend the rules requiring the reading of Resolution No. 16-05 on three separate days. Mr. Arnold seconded the motion. Six members cast their votes Aye, zero Nay, and the motion to suspend the rules passed. Mr. Weidemyre read Resolution No. 16-05 for the first time, by title only.

Mr. Weidemyre moved to adopt Resolution No. 16-05. Mr. Gallo seconded the motion. Hearing no discussion, six members cast their votes Aye, zero Nay, and Resolution No. 16-05 was adopted.

ORDINANCE NO. 16-24

AN ORDINANCE ADOPTING RULES OF COUNCIL FOR THE CITY OF ONTARIO, AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

Hearing no motion to suspend the rules requiring the reading of Ordinance No. 16-24 on three separate days, Mrs. Webb read Ordinance No. 16-24 for the first time, by title only.

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ORDINANCE NO. 16-25

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 513, DRUG ABUSE CONTROL, BY ADDING SECTION 513.041, ILLEGAL USE OR POSSESSION OF MARIJUANA DRUG PARAPHERNALIA, AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

Mrs. Webb moved to suspend the rules requiring the reading of Ordinance No. 16-25 on three separate days. Mr. Weidemyre seconded the motion. Six members cast their votes Aye, zero Nay, and the motion to suspend the rules passed. Mr. Hess read Ordinance No. 16-25 for the first time, by title only.

Mr. Hess moved to adopt Ordinance No. 16-25. Mr. Arnold seconded the motion. Hearing no discussion, six members cast their votes Aye, zero Nay, and Ordinance No. 16-25 was adopted.

At 7:17 p.m., there being no further business to come before the meeting, the same was adjourned upon a motion by Mr. Gallo with a second by Mr. Arnold and the motion passed unanimously.

Larry C. Collins, President of Council

Cathy VanAuker, Clerk of Council