

Regular

January 17, 2018

Ontario City Council met in regular session on January 17, 2018, in the Municipal Building, with Council President Jim Hellinger presiding. The meeting opened at 7:01 p.m. with the Pledge of Allegiance.

Present during roll call were Council members Ken Earhart, Larry Arnold, Eddie Gallo, Dan Zeiter, Mark Weidemyre, Michele Webb, Nathan Sunderland, Council President Jim Hellinger, Mayor Randy Hutchinson, Law Director Andrew Medwid, Service-Safety Director Jeff Wilson, Recreation Director Heather Hendrix and Clerk of Council Cathy VanAuker.

The minutes of the regular Council meeting of January 3, 2018 were presented for approval. Mr. Weidemyre moved to approve the minutes, second by Mr. Gallo. Six members cast their votes Aye, zero Nay, one Abstain by Mrs. Webb, and the motion passed.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Mr. Gallo moved that the Law Director prepare legislation for a contractual agreement between Ontario and Mansfield for Ontario to take over maintenance of the traffic light at the new entrance of the Campus District and Mansfield taking over maintenance of the traffic lights at W. 4th St/Home Road and PAW/Home Road. Mr. Weidemyre seconded the motion. Seven members cast their votes Aye, zero Nay and the motion passed.

Mr. Weidemyre moved that the Mayor get engineering and a cost estimate to run a 12" water line under W. 4th Street at the corner of Stumbo Road/W. 4th Street. Seven members cast their votes Aye, zero Nay, and the motion passed.

Mr. Zeiter reported the Finance Committee met this evening to finalize the 2018 permanent budget. A motion was approved during the committee meeting to prepare legislation for the next Council meeting. Mr. Zeiter said they need to be cautious throughout the year because the revenue and expenditures appear to be neutral. Mr. Weidemyre will work with the Law Director to create a new line item for the Occupancy Tax and the distributions.

MAYOR'S REPORT

Mayor Hutchinson said the Ontario Coffee Department, 325 Shelby-Ontario Road, same building as Besta Fasta, will have a pre-opening on January 24th from 4 – 6 p.m.

SERVICE-SAFETY DIRECTOR'S REPORT

Mr. Wilson had no report.

LAW DIRECTOR'S REPORT

Mr. Medwid presented his 2017 annual report.

2017 MAYOR'S COURT

CHANGE FROM 2016

TOTAL NUMBER OF TICKETS/SUMMONS ISSUED – 1,652	12.7% increase from 1,466
TOTAL NUMBER OF CHARGES ISSUED – 1,972	8.5% increase from 1,818
TOTAL NUMBER OF OVI CHARGES – 22	down 1 from 23
TOTAL CHARGES HEARD IN MAYORS COURT – 2,074	7.6% increase from 1,928
WAIVERS PAID AT CLERKS OFFICE – 865	42.5% increase from 607

Ontario handles a limited jurisdiction of criminal traffic cases so some cases are automatically transferred to Mansfield Municipal Court, such as a second OVI within 10 years, domestic violence, and other charges that would never be heard in Mayors Court.

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<u>2017 MANSFIELD MUNICIPAL COURT TOTALS</u>	<u>CHANGE FROM 2016</u>
TOTAL NUMBER OF CASES – 219	12.3% decrease from 246
TOTAL OVI CHARGES – 82	55% increase from 53 due to OVI law changing from a lookback of 6 years to 10 years
TOTAL CRA FELONY CASES – 8	up 2 from 6, our court would have no jurisdiction over those
OTHER TRAFFIC – 68	46.4% decrease from 127
TOTAL CRIMINAL – 61	down 1 from 62

Individuals requesting a court appointed attorney are transferred to Mansfield Municipal Court. In 2016 and 2017 there were 2 cases which was a decrease from 6 in 2015. Mayor's Court brought in \$338,259.60, a 20% increase of \$57,516.66 over 2016 at \$280,742.

RECREATION DIRECTOR'S REPORT

Mrs. Hendrix provided the following information.

Craft Show

Held the first week-end in December, \$1 admission went to the Ontario Lions Club to support community projects, they made \$2,386. Four big boxes of new toys were given to the Ontario Police Toy Drive. We had great weather and a great turn out! We changed the time to end at 3 pm instead of 4 pm, there were a few issues with the facilities, leaking ceilings, but otherwise it went well. They will discuss changing the fees for admission next year to \$2, which would be split between the Lions Club and the Rec Department.

Open Swim

Open swim is being held twice a month. I have advertised on the website, Facebook, fliers sent home with elementary students, announcements at the Middle School, on school and city websites, etc. Our first few open swims have been well attended with over 25 kids each time.

Christmas Tree Lighting

I contributed cookies and helped monitor the cookies during the Christmas Tree lighting ceremony on Nov. 30th at Marshall Park. Great turn out!

Babysitting Class

I am holding a babysitting course through the Red Cross on Feb. 17th. This one day class is for ages 11 to 15 to learn basic care of infants and young children, each child will be certified in CPR and First Aid. This class is important because parents are looking for babysitters with this training to watch their children. Our limit is 20 per class. Cost is \$100.

Swim Technique Clinic

The swim technique clinic will be held the second and third week of March. Registration forms will be distributed to elementary and middle school students. This clinic will be for students who want to learn their strokes. They must be comfortable in the water and have some experience swimming. This is not for beginners or considered swim lessons. This is also a change from previous classes, as it is not a swim stroke clinic. This will be to learn their strokes, not perfect them.

Easter Egg Hunt

The Egg Hunt is scheduled for March 31st this year, at noon. I am working on getting donations of candy and volunteers to help stuff the 5,000 eggs.

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Art Class

ART SPACE which opened in the mall is offering art classes and we are hosting two art classes. One class will be March 6th and the other April 5th. The Cookies and Canvas class will be from 6 to 8:30 pm in the Community Room. The class limit is 35, cost is \$35 per person. Attendees will be 4th graders and up, kids can participate with parents if they wish, and will take home an 11 x 14 canvas art piece.

Geocache Event

Another geocache scavenger hunt is planned for April 15th at Marshall Park. You'll get clues and coordinates to find the next clue. Great family activity.

MISCELLANEOUS MATTERS

Mr. Hellinger reminded Council members of the 24 hour rule to call an executive session so notification can be posted.

PUBLIC COMMENTARY

Craig Hunt, 3680 Park Avenue West, asked what were the small trash pumps being donated to the county.

- Mr. Wilson explained the city put them in holes to pump out dirty water during water line breaks. The pumps have been replaced and haven't been used in years so they were going to be included with the items in the upcoming auction. We trade services with the county and they requested the pumps. One service the county does for the city is cleaning out our rural ditches with their extend-a-hoe.

CONSIDERATION OF ORDINANCES AND RESOLUTIONS

ORDINANCE NO. 18-02

AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND THE CITY INCOME TAX CODE TO ADOPT SECTIONS 718.80 THROUGH 718.95 OF THE OHIO REVISED CODE AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

Mrs. Webb moved to suspend the reading of Ordinance No. 18-02 on three separate days, seconded by Mr. Weidemyre. Seven members cast their votes Aye, zero Nay, and the motion passed. Mrs. Webb read Ordinance No. 18-02 for the second time, by title only.

Mrs. Webb moved to adopt Ordinance No. 18-02, seconded by Mr. Earhart. Hearing no discussion, seven members cast their votes Aye, zero Nay, and Ordinance No. 18-02 was adopted.

RESOLUTION NO. 18-03

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE SERVICE-SAFETY DIRECTOR TO DONATE FOUR (4) SMALL TRASH PUMPS TO RICHLAND COUNTY, AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

Mr. Gallo moved to suspend the reading of Resolution No. 18-03 on three separate days, seconded by Mr. Weidemyre. Seven members cast their votes Aye, zero Nay, and the motion passed. Mr. Weidemyre read Resolution No. 18-03 for the first time, by title only.

Mr. Weidemyre moved to adopt Resolution No. 18-03, seconded by Mr. Arnold. Hearing no discussion, seven members cast their votes Aye, zero Nay, and Resolution No. 18-03 was adopted.

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ORDINANCE NO. 18-03

AN ORDINANCE AWARDED A CONTRACT TO LEBANON FORD FOR THE PURCHASE OF TWO 2018 FORD UTILITY INTERCEPTORS FOR THE TOTAL SUM OF \$60,000.00 THROUGH THE STATE OF OHIO DEPARTMENT OF ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES COOPERATIVE PURCHASING PROGRAM, AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

Mr. Arnold moved to suspend the reading of Ordinance No. 18-03 on three separate days, seconded by Mrs. Webb. Seven members cast their votes Aye, zero Nay, and the motion passed. Mr. Zeiter read Ordinance No. 18-03 for the first time, by title only.

Mr. Zeiter moved to adopt Ordinance No. 18-03, seconded by Mrs. Webb. Hearing no discussion, seven members cast their votes Aye, zero Nay, and Ordinance No. 18-03 was adopted.

At 7:31 p.m., there being no further business to come before the meeting, the same was adjourned upon a motion by Mr. Arnold, seconded by Mr. Weidemyre and the motion passed unanimously.

James A. Hellinger, President of Council

Cathy VanAuker, Clerk of Council