

Regular

August 1, 2018

Ontario City Council met in regular session on August 1, 2018, in the Municipal Building, with Council President Jim Hellinger presiding. The meeting opened at 7:00 p.m. with the Pledge of Allegiance.

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

Mrs. Webb moved to excuse Mr. Gallo and Mr. Sunderland from this evening's meeting, second by Mr. Arnold. Five members cast their votes Aye, zero Nay, and the motion passed.

The minutes of the regular Council meeting of July 18, 2018 were presented for approval. Mr. Weidemyre moved to approve the minutes, second by Mrs. Webb. Five members cast their votes Aye, zero Nay, and the motion passed.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Mr. Earhart scheduled a Utilities Committee meeting immediately following the Safety Committee meeting on August 18, 2018.

Mr. Zeiter said the finance reports through the end of July look good.

Mr. Weidemyre invited everyone to attend the Ontario Growth Association meeting tomorrow morning, 8:00 a.m., at Hawkins Corner. It is primarily for businesses but is open to anyone who would like to go.

Mrs. Webb reported on the Safety Committee meeting held earlier this evening where they discussed the golf cart legislation that would be brought back with amendments. Mrs. Webb reminded everyone the Safety Committee of the Whole meeting on August 15th at 5:30 p.m. would be held in executive session.

MAYOR'S REPORT

Mayor Hutchinson deferred to Kenn Spencer of Ontario Youth Sports to explain the new event added this year.

- Can You Picture Ontario was created for children and adults to submit pictures of what they felt portrayed Ontario and Springfield Township. Every day, for 20 consecutive days, residents voted on a daily winning picture that became a finalist. At first, when the picture of a little girl eating an ice cream cone made the finals it didn't seem to identify Ontario like some of the other pictures of buildings, water tanks and fire trucks.
- The photo of Elliana Nelson eating an ice cream cone won the final round and the picture defines what our caring community is all about.
- Samantha Nelson explained the many challenges her six year old daughter has been through with the extremely rare disease, she is probably one of six people in the world affected. Elliana was recently accepted to Make-A-Wish Foundation.
- Mayor Hutchinson presented Elliana with a framed copy of her winning picture and a large trophy.

SERVICE-SAFETY DIRECTOR'S REPORT

Mr. Wilson provided the following report:

Street Paving/Striping: This year's street paving project is finished, with a few minor areas of clean-up. Our crews have completed all of the necessary berm work on the new uncurbed pavement. The street strippers are scheduled next Monday, weather permitting they should be

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able to paint all of the streets on the list in four to five days. Once all of this work is completed crack sealing will begin.

Manhole Relining: Our project to reline manholes is set to begin on Monday, August 20th. We plan to reline 33 man holes in the Rosewood allotment. This project should take about three weeks to complete.

Home Road Property Clean-up: I'm waiting for bids from two companies for the clean-up on the Home Road property. Once we award a contract to the successful bidder, we will schedule a date to proceed. Both companies indicated this will be at least a two day project.

Target Cup: Baseball and softball seasons for OYS are officially over and it was a very successful summer. The next major event is the 2018 Target Cup scheduled for August 17th - August 19th. This event is held at only seven sites across the nation and we are very fortunate to have the opportunity of hosting this soccer tournament again. This speaks highly of our facilities and the people who ran the event.

Mr. Earhart commented the baseball/softball tournaments held last weekend were very successful and several teams traveled a great distance to attend. It was very organized and the parks and ballfields looked great.

LAW DIRECTOR'S REPORT

Mr. Medwid had no report.

PUBLIC COMMENTARY

Doug Leach, 294 Westlawn Drive, asked Mr. Weidemyre if he talked to the owner of the property at the corner of Maple and PAW to find out if someone would be coming to speak to Council about the demolition of the property. After 30 years they have had plenty of time to respond to the notices they've received.

- Mr. Weidemyre said there were not enough members present to vote this evening. He wants to give the property owner every opportunity to come forward because tearing down the house is a major decision.
- Mayor Hutchinson said there are bid specs that will go out for the demolition of this house and the old East of Chicago building. Hopefully, it will be done before winter so there is time to plant grass seed.

Tom Briner, 92 S. Home Road, came forward to ask how the property on Home Road is going to be cleaned up and if there was anything that could be done to help the owner.

- Everything will be taken off the property, details are still being worked on for the vehicles.
- The Health Department is addressing the inside of the house and agencies have been contacted to see how they can help the owner.

Jeremy Huff, 2405 S. Lex-Springmill, a subcontractor working on the former GM property, said the Adler Group gives him the run around on payments and there was still half of the contract left when they shut it down and told him to talk to the city. He was hoping something would be mentioned during the meetings.

- Mr. Medwid said because he is paid by Adlers and his contract is with the Adlers, he needs to contact them.

Victor Coleman, First Energy, came before Council to introduce himself as the new manager of External Affairs at the 1717 Ashland Road office.

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CONSIDERATION OF ORDINANCES AND RESOLUTIONS

ORDINANCE NO. 18-27

(THIRD READING) AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 1145, GENERAL PROVISIONS, BY ADDING SECTION 1145.38-CONCESSION STANDS, AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

Mr. Weidemyre moved to table Ordinance No. 18-27 until September 5, 2018, second by Mr. Earhart. Hearing no discussion, five members cast their votes Aye, zero Nay, and Ordinance No. 18-27 was tabled.

ORDINANCE NO. 18-29

(THIRD READING) AN ORDINANCE TO INCREASE THE MUNICIPAL INCOME TAX BY ONE-QUARTER PERCENT PER ANNUM FOR THE PURPOSE OF MAINTAINING AND REPAIRING CITY STREETS, AS AMENDED.

Mr. Arnold read Ordinance No. 18-29 for the third time, by title only.

Mr. Arnold moved to adopt Ordinance No. 18-29, second by Mr. Weidemyre. Hearing no discussion, four members cast their votes Aye, one Nay by Mr. Zeiter, and Ordinance No. 18-29 was adopted.

RESOLUTION NO. 18-08

(THIRD READING) A RESOLUTION PROVIDING FOR SUBMITTING THE QUESTION "SHALL THE ORDINANCE PROVIDING FOR A QUARTER PERCENT LEVY ON INCOME FOR THE PURPOSE OF MAINTAINING AND REPAIRING CITY STREETS BE PASSED?", AS AMENDED.

Mr. Zeiter read Resolution No. 18-08 for the third time, by title only.

Mr. Weidemyre moved to adopt Resolution No. 18-08, second by Mr. Earhart. Hearing no discussion, four members cast their votes Aye, one Nay by Mr. Zeiter, and Resolution No. 18-08 was adopted.

RESOLUTION NO. 18-10

(SECOND READING) A RESOLUTION DIRECTING THE ORDER FOR DEMOLITION OF PROPERTY AT 1592 PARK AVENUE WEST AND 1731 PARK AVENUE WEST UNDER A CONTRACT FOR LABOR, MATERIALS, AND EQUIPMENT AWARDED BY THE CITY FOR SUCH PURPOSE, AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

Mr. Weidemyre read Resolution No. 18-10 for the second time, by title only.

At 7:33 p.m., there being no further business to come before the meeting, the same was adjourned upon a motion by Mr. Arnold, second by Mr. Earhart and the motion passed unanimously.

James A. Hellinger, President of Council

Cathy VanAuker, Clerk of Council