

## Regular

August 19, 2020

Ontario City Council met in regular session on August 19, 2020, in the Municipal Building, with Council President Pro Tempore Eddie Gallo presiding. The meeting opened at 7:03 p.m. with the Pledge of Allegiance.

Present during roll call were Council members Ken Earhart, Dave Rehfeldt, Eddie Gallo, Josh Bradley, Sherry Branham, Michele Webb, Nathan Sunderland, Mayor Randy Hutchinson, Law Director Andrew Medwid, Recreation Director Heather Hendrix and Clerk of Council Cathy VanAuker.

Mr. Sunderland moved to excuse Mr. Hellinger from this evening's meeting, second by Mr. Earhart. At roll call, seven members voted Aye, zero Nay, and the motion passed.

The minutes of the regular Council meeting of August 5, 2020 were presented for approval. Ms. Branham moved to approve the minutes, second by Mr. Rehfeldt. At roll call, six members voted Aye, one Abstain by Mr. Sunderland, zero Nay, and the motion passed.

### **COMMITTEE REPORTS**

Mr. Earhart reported the Utilities Committee met this evening to explain to the new Council members the background information on the Wastewater Treatment Plant and the report prepared by Poggemeyer Design Group. Recycling needs for the city were discussed. Options for pick-up could be at the residence or a central location, such as Stowell Park.

Mr. Gallo stated the Economic Development Committee met this evening in executive session, per ORC 121.22 (G)(8). Another meeting will be held on September 2, 2020 at 6:00 p.m. to discuss the tabled fence legislation. Five Guys opened Monday and their business has been very steady.

Mr. Sunderland scheduled a Parks/Safety Committee meeting of the whole on August 27, 2020 at 6:30 p.m., at the Ontario Service Building.

### **MAYOR'S REPORT**

Mayor Hutchinson reported:

- The paving project was going very well, striping would be done soon. The stub off Overbrook, Standing Rock Lane, was not on the original schedule but looks bad. There was enough repair money left to cover the cost of paving this small section.
- Pulp should open Tuesday if inspections are completed.
- No cost COVID testing will be held this Saturday at the Richland County Fairgrounds.

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

Mr. Medwid had no report.

### **RECREATION DIRECTOR'S REPORT**

Mrs. Hendrix provided the following update:

#### **TREASURE HUNT**

A QR code treasure hunt was held July 6<sup>th</sup>-17<sup>th</sup>. You started with a QR code on our website and then found five other QR codes throughout the park with riddles to the next one. At the end there was a treasure box full of prizes. Thanks to the Springfield Twp. Fire Dept. for donating some items for our treasure box!

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CONTESTS

We have had several different online contests this summer. We did a Father's Day coloring contest, a LEGO contest, and a sidewalk chalk obstacle course contest.

Participants pictures were posted on FB and the top two with the most likes won gift cards.

VIRTUAL CLASSES

Three Ontario teachers were willing to do some ZOOM online classes this summer. We offered them for free in June and July. Each class was for an hour and some were only for a week and others for several weeks. We had a great response! I paid for the teachers access to ZOOM and an hourly wage. Thanks to Mrs. Wynn, Mrs. Patterson and Ms. Horvath for teaching the following classes:

STEM Camp- Grades 4<sup>th</sup>- 8<sup>th</sup>

They created a theme park with Google Draw- they discussed the elements of a theme park, how to create rides and the layout of the theme park, they discussed food costs, advertising and admission costs.

American Sign Language- They learned how to sign letters, colors, food items, etc.

Google Classroom- They learned the basics of Google Classroom and how to use Google Slides, Documents, Sheets, etc.

Writing Camp- They created a movie script, wrote poems and fun stories.

Arts and Crafts Class- They made lots of fun crafts with supplies from home- everything from paper mache, painting, drawing, and more!

Reading Comprehension- This class was to help kids improve their reading over the summer. They learned about WH-questions, inferencing, and reading comprehension strategies.

Phonics Class- In this class they practiced phonics skills- learn letter-sound correspondence.

SELF DEFENSE CLASS

Reneta Music, a self-defense instructor, is planning on having a fall self-defense class. We are waiting for things to improve to schedule a few classes for adults and teens. May try to do classes outside.

HONKIN' HAULIN' TOUCH A TRUCK

This event is tentatively scheduled for Sunday, Oct. 4<sup>th</sup> from 1 to 3 pm. We are going ahead with plans to have it and will cancel if needed.

HAUNTED TRAIL

Our second annual Haunted Trail is tentatively scheduled for Oct. 17<sup>th</sup>. Rain date will be Oct. 24<sup>th</sup>. We plan on having a family friendly trail from 5:30 to 7 pm and the scarier trail from 7:30-9:30 pm. We are looking for any non-profit organizations or businesses that would like to have a spot on the trail. A portion of the proceeds made will be split between all non-profits participating. We also may partner with OYS and add some food vendors and a concert. TBD.

CRAFT SHOW

The craft show is tentatively scheduled for Dec. 5<sup>th</sup>, 2020. We are holding off on registrations and payment until Sept. 15, 2020. We will decide at that time whether we will have it or not. I have several previous vendors willing to attend and a long wait list of vendors that want in, so it will be a full show. I am also looking into a virtual option if we cannot have it this year.

Possibly the additional smaller buildings could be used to spread out the craft vendors.

GEOCACHE

A geocache scavenger hunt will be held September 6<sup>th</sup> from 3 to 5 pm at Marshall Park.

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### **MISCELLANEOUS MATTERS**

419 Golf, LLC submitted a TREX application through the Ohio Division of Liquor Control to transfer an existing license. Hearing no objections, the approved application will be returned to 419 Golf to continue the licensing process.

### **PUBLIC COMMENTARY**

Craig Hunt, 3680 Park Avenue West, asked if there were plans for a swearing-in ceremony for the K-9 and if the dog could be introduced during a meeting.

- Mayor Hutchinson said he would try to arrange for Fender to be at the Safety meeting.

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

#### **ORDINANCE NO. 20-19**

AN ORDINANCE ESTABLISHING WAGES AND SALARIES FOR NON-COLLECTIVE BARGAINING UNIT EMPLOYEES OF THIS CITY, REPEALING ORDINANCE NO. 20-04, AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

Mr. Sunderland moved to suspend the reading of Ordinance No. 20-19 on three separate days, second by Mrs. Webb. At roll call, seven members voted Aye, zero Nay, and the motion passed. Mr. Sunderland read Ordinance No. 20-19 for the first time, by title only.

Mr. Sunderland moved to adopt Ordinance No. 20-19, second by Mrs. Webb. Hearing no discussion, at roll call seven members voted Aye, zero Nay, and Ordinance No. 20-19 was adopted.

#### **ORDINANCE NO. 20-20**

AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE CITY TO REAPPROPRIATE FUNDS IT SPENDS ON BEHALF OF THIRD PARTIES THAT IS TO BE REIMBURSED TO THE CITY BECAUSE IT IS A THIRD PARTY'S RESPONSIBILITY, AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

Mrs. Webb moved to suspend the reading of Ordinance No. 20-20 on three separate days, second by Mr. Sunderland. At roll call, seven members voted Aye, zero Nay, and the motion passed. Mrs. Webb read Ordinance No. 20-20 for the first time, by title only.

Mrs. Webb moved to adopt Ordinance No. 20-20, second by Mr. Earhart. Hearing no discussion, at roll call seven members voted Aye, zero Nay, and Ordinance No. 20-20 was adopted.

At 7:25 p.m., there being no further business to come before the meeting, the same was adjourned upon a motion by Mrs. Webb, second by Ms. Branham, and the motion passed.

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Edward J. Gallo, Council President Pro Tem

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Cathy VanAuker, Clerk of Council