

MINUTES

REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING

8:25 p.m.

August 10, 2010

Pursuant to Codified Ordinance Chapter 107 and ORC Section 121.22, notice of the following meeting was given on August 6, 2010.

The Regular Council Meeting was held at the Willoughby Fire Station, 37000 Euclid Ave.

ROLL CALL

Council members Present: Mr. Harrold, Mrs. Manning, Mr. Ranally, Mr. Woodin, Mr. Black, Mr. Carr and Mr. Fiala

Others Present: Mayor Anderson, City Engineer Sayles, Service Director Tomaselli, Law Director Wiles, Fire Chief Zwegat, Police Chief Straube, Parks and Recreation Director Katz, Chief Building and Zoning Inspector Smith, Deputy Finance Director Bosley, Lake County Gazette Reporter Borstnik, Clerk Radebaugh

The meeting was led in Prayer and the Pledge of Allegiance by Council President Ranally.

Approval of Minutes

Motion made and seconded to approve the Regular Council minutes of July 13, 2010.

ROLL CALL: 6 yes

1 Abstain (Woodin)

0 no

Motion carried 6 to 0

STANDING COMMITTEES OF COUNCIL

Committee of Full, Mr. Ranally – Reported that a meeting was held this evening to discuss Codified Ordinance Chapter 785 which is outdated. The Law Director and Police Chief Straube recommended that this chapter be eliminated from the ordinances. After some discussion council recommended that Chapter 785 Weapons Sales and Purchases be removed. Legislation will be on the September meeting.

Economic Development Committee, Mr. Black – No report.

Environmental Planning Committee, Mr. Fiala – No report.

Finance Committee, Mrs. Manning – No report.

Parks & Recreation Committee, Mr. Harrold - No report.

Personnel Committee, Mr. Carr – No report.

Safety Committee, Mr. Black – No report.

Service Committee, Mr. Woodin – No report.

Council President Ranally explained that council received a memo from Law Director Wiles recommending payment of a change order for architect services. Mr. Ranally said this request needs more explanation. Council recommended that this legislation be tabled. The Architect will be invited to the next meeting to discuss the change order.

Roll Call 7 yes
 0 no

Motion carried 7 to 0

RESOLUTION NO. 2010-105

A Resolution authorizing an expenditure in an amount not to exceed \$28,000 for replacement of the Incinerator Exhaust Gas Scrubber Water Pump and two (2) Primary Clarifier Sludge Pumps at the Willoughby-Eastlake Water Pollution Control Center, and declaring an emergency.

Motion made and seconded that the rules of Council requiring three separate readings be suspended and that Resolution No. 2010-105 be declared an emergency measure.

Roll Call 7 yes
 0 no

Motion carried 7 to 0

Motion made and seconded to adopt Resolution No. 2010-105

Roll Call 7 yes
 0 no

Motion carried 7 to 0

ORDINANCE NO. 2010-106

An Ordinance granting an Easement for a nitrogen gas line to OsAir, Inc. on a portion of Permanent Parcel No. 027-A-013-A-00-061-0, and declaring an emergency.

Motion made and seconded that the rules of Council requiring three separate readings be suspended and that Ordinance No. 2010-106 be declared an emergency measure.

Roll Call 7 yes
 0 no

Motion carried 7 to 0

Motion made and seconded to pass Ordinance No. 2010-106

Roll Call 7 yes
 0 no

Motion carried 7 to 0

MAYOR'S REPORT - No report. Advised council that he will be out of the office on Thursday and Friday for knee surgery.

Council President Ranally said that a sewer meeting was held last week and Mayor Anderson did a power point presentation explaining reasons why basements flood, what the city has done and will continue to do about the problem. CT Consultants is doing a storm water study in the city and will have the recommendations in February 2011.

OTHER REPORTS

Law Director Wiles – No report. Mr. Ranally asked about the progress at the airport. Mr. Wiles said everything is almost finished. The parking lot has to be stripped and four man doors need to be replaced. Siding on the city's cold storage hangar needs to be fixed.

Councilman Carr asked the status of the Recreation Building for the Welcome Center. Mr. Wiles said he will be preparing the contract for September.

Service Director Tomaselli – Reported that he sent the Rt. 2 schedule, showing the duration of the project for this year and next year, to council. ODOT will be closing Erie Rd. on August 30th. A message board will be installed two weeks before. Flyers will be passed out to the residents on Erie Rd. He has talked to Allega about getting the traffic lights done on Reeves Rd. in order to open the street. Vine St. is being cleaned, Grove Avenue lining project is 80% done. The project on Erie Road is at a stand still waiting for the contractor to present a proposal to do the lateral across the road.

The city auction was held two Saturdays ago and it was a big success. Approximately 500 people attended.

Councilman Fiala asked when the Gardenside Waterline Replacement Project will begin. Mr. Tomaselli said he is waiting for a call from the county. They will try to begin the project this year.

Councilman Woodin asked when the sidewalk on Hodgson was going to be extended to North Bay. Mr. Tomaselli said the sidewalk was poured on Monday. Mr. Woodin said that on Lakeshore Blvd., east bound just West of Lost Nation Rd., (by Bellevue) there have been issues with the signs that say "Do Not Block Drive". He has been told that the police cannot enforce these signs. Mr. Woodin suggested putting up a sign that says "Stop Here on Red". Chief Straube said he will look at the problem. Discussion followed regarding the stop bar and the fact that this traffic light is part of the uniform traffic control.

City Engineer Sayles – Reported that, as part of additional sewer testing, the Orchard Park area, a portion of Ward 3, part of Ward 5 and Ward 6 and a small portion of Ward 4 will be included in the upcoming smoke testing program. Notice will go out to the residents street by street as the crews do the smoke testing. The purpose of the testing is to find downspouts, yard drains or public right of way catch basins that are leaking into the sanitary sewer system. Testing will last a month and a half. The downtown areas were not smoked tested in 1984 because the sewers were so bad. Since the rehabilitation projects were done, smoke testing will now be done in this area. Mr. Tomaselli said that police, fire and councilmen will be notified when testing is being done and signs will be put on each end of the street. Notice will be on channel 12 and in the News Herald.

Mr. Sayles referred to the legislation tonight for the Transportation Enhancement NOACA money. He said that as a result of the Federal stimulus program, many projects ended up getting stimulus money and no longer need their NOACA money. NOACA now has a lot of money that is available for highway projects. He explained that it is appropriate now to make application for projects for fiscal years 2012/2015. He said that Kirtland Road, Hodgson Road, Adkins Road and Stevens Blvd. would go on this list. Councilman Woodin mentioned Hodgson Road as an eastern/western route and the potential widening of Lakeshore Blvd. Projects will be discussed in a Service Committee meeting on Sept. 7th.

Mr. Ranally asked the status of the Road Program. Mr. Sayles said it is pretty much done. They need to do the punch list items and the walk through. He commented that the contractor, Ronyak, did a great job. They are a little over budget because a culvert pipe had to be replaced on Mohegan Trail.

Mr. Sayles commented that in years past he has strongly criticized the Willoughby Sewer Department for not doing a good job in cleaning and televising sewers. He recently reviewed some TV tapes and the sewers were very clean. He said they did a fantastic job.

Fire Chief Zwegat – Thanked council for passage of the legislation for the surplus items. The squad that council approved in January is now in operation at Station #2 on Lost Nation Road.

Police Chief Straube - Reported that the Explorers placed third in the National Conference in Atlanta, Ga. There is no separate competition for small cities. Over 200 of the 300 departments competing were larger departments of over 2000 personnel. Chief Straube noted that the Explorers are from ages 14 to 20. They are under the guise of the boy scouts and are not paid. Mayor Anderson pointed out the order of the winners: U.S. Customers came in first, second was Broward County in Florida and third was Willoughby. Baltimore and New York City were fourth and fifth. The difference between first and third place was ½ point. The Explorers will be recognized at the September 7th meeting.

Chief Building and Zoning Inspector Smith - No report. Councilman Woodin said that a development very similar to the layout of Tamarac will be discussed at Planning Commission on Thursday. He is hoping that some of the yard issues that took place at Tamarac will not happen with this development. Mr. Smith said these are going to be fee simple lots. Mr. Smith commented that he has advised the surveyor to contact the FAA regarding an area near the runway.

Mr. Ranally asked what is being done with the gas station at Pelton Rd. and Mentor Avenue. Mr. Smith said they had a plan to renovate the exterior of the building and got permits, but they have not done any work. Mr. Smith said the permit is void and he can consider this building abandoned.

Mr. Ranally asked the status of the Marous property. Mayor Anderson answered that the major difficulty has been financing. Federal Housing withdrew their support for the proposed senior assisted living development. He commented that Marous is continuing to market this property. Mayor Anderson will meet with their marketing person tomorrow for an update on the property.

Parks & Recreation Director Katz – Reported that the Euclid Avenue pool will close at the end of the week and the Osborne pool will stay open an additional week. Flag football tournament will be in town this weekend at Osborne and Todd field. Parks and Recreation Department will be moving to City Hall. August 23rd will be the last day at the Rec. House. The Senior Center will be closed the week of August 23rd for a thorough cleaning. Mr. Ranally thanked Mr. Katz for the memo giving an update on pool attendance and the increase in revenues. Mr. Woodin asked the status of the grant for the Willoughby lakefront. Mr. Katz said he is working on it and will hopefully submit it in ten days. He reviewed the grant application process for Mr. Woodin.

Deputy Finance Director Bosley – No report.

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Mr. Woodin – Reported that he met with Ms. Lipscomb, Jason Boyd and the business and land owners pertaining to a potential zoning change on the lakefront. Hopefully this will spur some development.

Mr. Fiala – No report

Mr. Carr – Referred to the flyers he handed out this evening regarding the Willoughby Welcome Center fund raiser on Monday, September 20th. The downtown merchants will be having a runway show featuring what they sell or do. There will also be a Chinese raffle.

Mrs. Manning– No report.

Mr. Harrold – Asked Mr. Ranally how the Fiscal Strategy Committee was doing. Mr. Ranally said he, Mr. Fiala and Mr. Carr met with the committee in July. The committee is going to start compiling the information and putting together their report which will be done in September.

Mr. Black – No report.

Mr. Ranally – Reported that on September 7th we expect to be back in council chambers at city hall. He thanked Chief Zwegat and the Fire Department for having the council meetings this summer.

The Regular Council Meeting adjourned at 9:35 p.m.

Date approved _____

Clerk of Council

Jerome P. Ranally, President

David E. Anderson, Mayor