

MINUTES
REGULAR MEETING OF COUNCIL
OCTOBER 26, 2015

Call to Order

Mayor Steve Miller called the Regular Meeting of Council to order at 7:00 PM at the Fairfield Municipal Building, 5350 Pleasant Avenue.

Prayer/Pledge of Allegiance

Councilmember Senger led in prayer and Pledge of Allegiance.

Roll Call

Clerk Wilson called the roll of Council. Present members were Councilmember Adam Jones, Councilmember Marty Judd, Councilmember Debbie Pennington, Councilmember Terry Senger, Councilmember Chad Oberson, Councilmember Bill Woeste, and Councilmember Mike Snyder.

Agenda Modifications

No Agenda Modifications.

Executive Session Requests

Councilmember Judd, seconded by Councilmember Pennington, moved for Executive Session To consider the appointment, employment, dismissal, discipline, promotion, or compensation of a public employee. Motion carried 7-0.

Special Presentations and Citizen Comments

Hero's Ride Recap and Donation to Impact A Hero – Bill Meyer, Hero's Ride Chairperson

Bill Meyer, Chairperson of the Hero's Ride, addressed Council and thanked the city for their support of the event. He presented Dick Lynch, Founder and President of Impact a Hero, with a check in excess of \$18,000. There were 456 motorcycles in the event, with people traveling from all over the country to participate. Mr. Lynch also thanked Council for their support of this great event. Carl Schneider, of Lima Company, a Marine unit, has received services from Impact A Hero and spoke briefly on the difference those services have made in his life since returning from overseas.

Chamber of Commerce Update

Kert Radel, President of the Chamber of Commerce, thanked Mayor Miller and Councilmember Woeste for attending the Buzzard Bay Ribbon Cutting event and announced the Ohio Valley Antique Mall Ribbon Cutting at noon on Monday, November 2.

Public Hearing(s)

No public hearings.

Mayor/Council Reports

Councilmember Snyder announced that trick-or-treat for the city will be on October 31 from 6 PM to 8 PM. He also congratulated Mercy Hospital Fairfield's long-time employee, Dorothy Huffman, for receiving the 2015 Heart of Healthcare Award, presented by the Association for the Healthcare Environment. Ms. Huffman has worked for the hospital for 36 years and focuses on patient safety and experience as a lead environmental services tech. She was also the first environmental services employee to receive the hospital's Partnership in Nursing award.

Councilmember Senger reported that the year-to-date tax revenues are within 1% of estimates and it is a good year financially. He also asked City Manager Wendling and Law Director Clemmons to address the legalities of the use of drones in city parks and within the city. City Manager Wendling stated that the law is currently developing and as regulations are made at the state and federal level, the local governments will be able to develop regulations. Law Director Clemmons stated that we are waiting on the FAA to issue their regulations and then the city can fill in any gaps. City Manager Wendling stated that the main concern will be privacy.

Councilmember Pennington thanked Parks and Recreation Director Jim Bell and the department staff for all of their help with the 60th Anniversary celebrations. She also announced the Doo-Woh Riders concert on Saturday, October 31 at 8 PM at the Community Arts Center.

Councilmember Judd announced that work began for installation of new sanitary sewer lines on Gray Road and is anticipated to be completed by January.

Councilmember Jones reminded residents to lock their vehicles and remove valuables in order to prevent thefts. He also announced the Empty Bowls event on November 7 at Fairfield Church of Christ.

Approval of Minutes

Regular Meeting Minutes of October 13, 2015

- The Regular Meeting Minutes of October 13, 2015 were approved as written

OLD BUSINESS

PARKS, RECREATION AND ENVIRONMENT COMMITTEE

Debbie Pennington, Chairman; Terry Senger, Vice Chairman, Marty Judd, Member

Ordinance to authorize the City Manager to execute a professional services agreement with Brandstetter Carroll, Inc. for conceptual architectural/engineering services for the William Harbin Park Renovation Project.

Legislative Action: Councilmember Pennington presented the third reading of this ordinance.

Councilmember Debbie Pennington, seconded by Councilmember Chad Oberson moved to adopt . Motion Carried 7-0. ORDINANCE NO. 93-15. APPROVED 7-0.

PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE

Adam Jones, Chairman; Marty Judd, Vice Chairman, Terry Senger, Member

Resolution authorizing the transfer of ownership of duty weapon, Glock model 19 handgun, serial number XTP820, to retired Park Ranger Michael J. Kraft in recognition of his years of service to the City and its residents.

Legislative Action: Councilmember Jones presented the second reading of this resolution.

Councilmember Adam Jones, seconded by Councilmember Mike Snyder moved to suspend the rules requiring three (3) readings of this resolution. Motion Carried 7-0. Councilmember Adam Jones, seconded by Councilmember Debbie Pennington moved to adopt. Motion Carried 7-0. RESOLUTION NO. 10-15. APPROVED 7-0.

NEW BUSINESS

FINANCE & BUDGET COMMITTEE

Terry Senger, Chairman; Debbie Pennington, Vice Chairman, Chad Oberson, Member

Councilmember Terry Senger, seconded by Councilmember Adam Jones moved to read the following two (2) ordinances by title only. Motion Carried 7-0.

Ordinance to amend Chapter 181, Income Tax, of Ordinance No. 166-84, The Codified Ordinances of Fairfield, Ohio effective January 1, 2016 for Tax Years 2016 and after.

Background: City Manager Wendling recommended an ordinance to amend the Income Tax code for the City of Fairfield. The changes are related to changes in the State code and will take effect for tax years 2016 and following. Legislative Action: Councilmember Senger presented the first reading of this ordinance.

Ordinance to amend Ordinance No. 109-14 entitled "An Ordinance to make estimated appropriations for the expenses and other expenditures of the City of Fairfield, Ohio, during a period beginning January 1, 2015, and ending December 31, 2015."

Background: City Manager Wendling recommended the following Non-Contractual Appropriations - \$3,264 Replace Existing Curb Ramps; \$10,000 Neighborhood Improvements; \$12,500 Replacement of Traffic Monitoring Work Stations; \$11,000 Repair and Additions to Security and Entry System. Legislative Action: Councilmember Senger presented the first reading of this ordinance.

Councilmember Terry Senger, seconded by Councilmember Adam Jones moved to suspend the rules requiring three (3) readings of this ordinance. Motion Carried 7-0. Councilmember Terry Senger, seconded by Councilmember Debbie Pennington moved to adopt. Motion Carried 7-0. ORDINANCE NO. 94-15. APPROVED 7-0.

Meeting Schedule

Clerk Wilson read the following meeting schedule:

- Monday, November 9 Council-Manager Briefing, 6:00 p.m.; Regular Meeting, 7:00 p.m.
- Monday, November 23 Council-Manager Briefing, 5:30 p.m.; Regular Meeting, 7:00 p.m.
- Monday, December 7 Council-Manager Briefing, 6:00 p.m.; Regular Meeting, 7:00 p.m.

Executive Session of Council (if needed)

Council adjourned to Executive Session at 7:30 PM.

Adjournment

The Regular Meeting of Council adjourned at 8:05 PM.

ATTEST:

Clerk of Council

Mayor's Approval

Date Approved _____