

CITY COUNCIL

September 19, 2011

The September 19, 2011 City Council meeting was called to order at 7:30 p.m. in Council Chambers by Chad Smith, President Pro-Tem. A moment of silence was observed followed by the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America. City Council members present were Evie Hall-Case, Kyle McColly, Chad Smith, Don Spiegel, Scot Swinehart, and Paul Wagner. Gary Veith was absent.

Others present included: Scott Washburn, Mayor; Mark Ellis, Law Director; Tom Fox; Carolyn Rife; Jon Hawkins; Chanda Neely, Daily Chief Union; and Sarah Bennett, Clerk.

The minutes of the September 6, 2011 City Council meeting, having been mailed to each City Council member, were approved as received.

The minutes of the September 6, 2011 Service Committee meeting, having been mailed to each City Council member, were reviewed.

The minutes of the September 6, 2011 Safety Committee meeting, having been mailed to each City Council member, were reviewed.

The minutes of the September 8, 2011 Planning Commission meeting, having been mailed to each City Council member, were reviewed.

Mayor Washburn presented a Mayor's Award to Mr. Tom Fox for a sizeable donation he made to the swimming pool in 2010 towards the purchase of rescue equipment.

A motion was made by Mr. Smith, seconded by Mrs. Hall-Case, to place Ordinance No. 70-12 entitled, "AN ORDINANCE TO MAKE SUPPLEMENTAL APPROPRIATIONS TO THE ANNUAL APPROPRIATIONS ORDINANCE NO. 42-12, TO MAKE APPROPRIATIONS FOR CURRENT EXPENSES AND OTHER EXPENDITURES OF THE CITY OF UPPER SANDUSKY, STATE OF OHIO, DURING THE FISCAL YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 2011.", on its second reading by title only. Upon Roll Call, all members voted Yes; the President Pro-Tem declared the motion carried. The Clerk read Ordinance No. 70-12 for the second time by title only.

A motion was made by Mr. Swinehart, seconded by Mr. Spiegel, for the adoption of Ordinance No. 70-12. Upon Roll Call, all members voted Yes. The President Pro-Tem declared the motion carried and Ordinance No. 70-12 was duly adopted.

A motion was made by Mr. Smith, seconded by Mrs. Hall-Case, to place Resolution No. 71-12 entitled, "A RESOLUTION ACCEPTING THE AMOUNTS AND RATES AS DETERMINED BY THE BUDGET COMMISSION AND AUTHORIZING THE NECESSARY TAX LEVIES AND CERTIFYING THEM TO THE COUNTY AUDITOR AND DECLARING THIS ACT AN EMERGENCY.", on its first reading by title only. Upon Roll Call, all members voted Yes; the President Pro-Tem declared the motion carried. The Clerk read Resolution No. 71-12 for the second time by title only.

A motion was made by Mr. Swinehart, seconded by Mrs. Hall-Case, to suspend the rules of the Municipal Charter calling for separate readings on different days. Upon Roll Call, all members voted Yes. The President Pro-Tem declared the motion carried.

A motion was made by Mr. Swinehart, seconded by Mr. Spiegel, to place Resolution No. 71-12 on its second reading by title only. Upon Roll Call, all members voted Yes; the President Pro-Tem declared the motion carried. The Clerk read Resolution No. 71-12 for the second time by title only.

A motion was made by Mr. Spiegel, seconded by Mr. Wagner, for the adoption of Resolution No. 71-12. Upon Roll Call, all members voted Yes. The President Pro-Tem declared the motion carried and Resolution No. 71-12 was duly adopted.

A motion was made by Mr. Swinehart, seconded by Mr. Wagner, to place Resolution No. 72-12 entitled, "A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR OF THE CITY OF UPPER SANDUSKY TO PREPARE AND SUBMIT AN APPLICATION TO PARTICIPATE IN THE OHIO PUBLIC WORKS COMMISSION (OPWC) STATE CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT AND/OR LOCAL TRANSPORTATION IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM(S) AND TO EXECUTE CONTRACTS AS REQUIRED, AND DECLARING THIS ACT AN EMERGENCY.", on its first reading by title only. Upon Roll Call, all members voted Yes; the President Pro-Tem declared the motion carried. The Clerk read Resolution No. 72-12 for the first time by title only.

It was noted that Safety Committee members agreed to schedule Trick-or-Treat to be held on Saturday, October 29, 2011 from 6:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m.

Mayor Washburn reported that Mr. Jim Geary resigned from the Tree Commission earlier this year and was appointed to the Park Board to fill a vacancy created after Mr. Jim Schuster resigned. Mayor Washburn recommended Mrs. Linda Geary be approved for appointment to the Tree Commission to fill the current vacancy. Mayor Washburn also noted that a letter of resignation was recently received from Mrs. Brenda Freehling as a member of the Park Board.

A motion was made by Mr. Smith, seconded by Mrs. Hall-Case, to accept the resignation of Mrs. Brenda Freehling from the Park Board, effective immediately, with appreciation expressed to her for her years of service on the Park Board. Upon Voice Vote, all members voted Yes. The President Pro-Tem declared the motion carried.

A motion was made by Mr. Smith, seconded by Mr. Spiegel, to approve the appointment of Mrs. Linda Geary as a member of the Tree Commission. Upon Voice Vote, all members voted Yes. The President Pro-Tem declared the motion carried.

Mayor Washburn reported that an open house will be held at the new water plant on Tuesday, November 1, 2011 from 5:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m., with a town hall meeting to begin at the site at 7:30 p.m.

It was reported that the City's Charter will be reviewed in 2012 pursuant to the City Charter. The seven members of the Charter Review Commission will be appointed by the members of City Council in January 2012.

There being no further business, the President Pro-Tem declared the meeting adjourned.

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Sarah J. Bennett, Clerk

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Chad Smith, President Pro-Tem