

CITY COUNCIL

March 18, 2013

The March 18, 2013 City Council meeting was called to order at 7:30 p.m. in Council Chambers by Don Spiegel, President. 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 Rick Roberts, Chad Smith, Don Spiegel, Bill Thornton, and Kyle McColly. Scot Swinehart and Evie Hall-Case were absent.

Others present included: Scott Washburn, Mayor; Mark Ellis, Law Director; Chanda Neely, Daily Chief Union; and Sarah Bennett, Clerk.

The minutes of the March 4, 2013 City Council meeting, having been mailed to each City Council member, were approved as received.

The minutes of the March 4, 2013 Service Committee meeting, having been mailed to each City Council member, were reviewed.

The minutes of the March 4, 2013 Planning Commission meeting, having been mailed to each City Council member, were reviewed.

The minutes of the March 4, 2013 Safety Committee meeting, having been mailed to each City Council member, were reviewed.

The minutes of the March 11, 2013 Park Board meeting, having been mailed to each City Council member, were reviewed.

A motion was made by Mr. Smith, seconded by Mr. Roberts, to place Ordinance No. 121-12 entitled, "AN ORDINANCE AMENDING ORDINANCE NO. 195-11, ELIMINATING THE MONTHLY RENTAL CHARGE FOR CONTAINER SANITATION SERVICE.", on its second reading by title only. Upon Roll Call, all members voted Yes; the President declared the motion carried. The Clerk read Ordinance No. 121-12 for the second time by title only.

A motion was made by Mr. Thornton, seconded by Mr. Spiegel, for the adoption of Ordinance No. 121-12. Upon Roll Call, all members voted Yes. The President declared the motion carried and Ordinance No. 121-12 was duly adopted.

A motion was made by Mr. Smith, seconded by Mr. Thornton, to place Resolution No. 122-12 entitled, "A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE OHIO REGIONAL DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION TO FILE AN APPLICATION WITH THE STATE OF OHIO TO PARTICIPATE IN THE 2013 COMMUNITY HOUSING IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM AND AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO ENTER INTO CONTRACT WITH THE OHIO REGIONAL DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION, AND DECLARING THIS ACT AN EMERGENCY.", on its first reading by title only. Upon Roll Call, all members voted Yes; the President declared the motion carried. The Clerk read Resolution No. 122-12 for the first time by title only.

A motion was made by Mr. Roberts, seconded by Mr. Spiegel, to place Resolution No. 123-12 entitled, "A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR OF THE CITY OF UPPER SANDUSKY TO FILE AN APPLICATION FOR STATE ISSUE ONE FUNDING.", on its first reading by title only. Upon Roll Call, all members voted Yes; the President declared the motion carried. The Clerk read Resolution No. 123-12 for the first time by title only.

A motion was made by Mr. Smith, seconded by Mr. Thornton, to place Ordinance No. 124-12 entitled, "AN ORDINANCE ENACTED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF UPPER SANDUSKY, WYANDOT COUNTY, OHIO, IN THE MATTER OF THE HEREINAFTER DESCRIBED IMPROVEMENT AND TO REQUEST THE COOPERATION OF THE DIRECTOR OF TRANSPORTATION, AND DECLARING THIS ACT AN EMERGENCY.", on its first reading by title only. Upon Roll Call, all members voted Yes; the President declared the motion carried. The Clerk read Resolution No. 124-12 for the first time by title only.

A motion was made by Mr. Smith, seconded by Mr. Roberts, to suspend the rules of the Municipal Charter calling for separate readings on different days. Upon Roll Call, all members voted Yes. The President declared the motion carried.

A motion was made by Mr. Smith, seconded by Mr. Roberts, to place Ordinance No. 124-12 on its second reading by title only. Upon Roll Call, all members voted Yes; the President declared the motion carried. The Clerk read Ordinance No. 124-12 for the second time by title only.

A motion was made by Mr. Smith, seconded by Mr. Roberts, for the adoption of Ordinance No. 124-12. Upon Roll Call, all members voted Yes. The President declared the motion carried and Ordinance No. 124-12 was duly adopted.

Discussion was again held concerning the creation of a government aggregation program with AEP Energy to provide residential customers and small commercial businesses lower electric rates. City Council members agreed to proceed with legislation so that the issue can be placed on the general election ballot for the voters to decide on the matter. Mr. Ellis indicated that AEP Energy will need to provide a draft Ordinance in order to proceed.

Mayor Washburn presented a sample Resolution from the City of Tiffin opposing the passage of House Bill 5 which proposes to make all cities tax codes uniform. City Council members agreed to proceed with a similar Resolution.

Mayor Washburn recommended Mr. Kip Wentling be approved for appointment to the Park Board to fill the unexpired of Mr. John Booth.

A motion was made by Mr. Smith, seconded by Mr. Spiegel, to approve the appointment of Mr. Kip Wentling to the Park Board. Upon Roll Call, all members voted Yes. The President declared the motion carried.

It was noted that the letter of resignation has been received from Ms. Lorena Walton as a member of the Board of Zoning Appeals, effective August 1, 2013.

It was also noted that the bid opening for the Northeast Water Quadrant project is scheduled to take place on Thursday, March 21, 2013 at 10:00 a.m. and the bid opening for the Elevated Tank Repainting project is scheduled to take place on Thursday, March 21, 2013 at 10:30 a.m.

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

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Sarah J. Bennett, Clerk

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Don Spiegel, President