

CITY COUNCIL

February 17, 2014

The February 17, 2014 City Council meeting was called to order at 7:30 p.m. in Council Chambers by Rick Roberts, 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 Don Spiegel, Scot Swinehart, Bill Thornton, Bob Blocksom, Kyle McColly, Rick Roberts, and Tom Shumaker.

Others present included: Scott Washburn, Mayor; Mark Ellis, Law Director; Nick Vaughn; Alissa Paoella, Daily Chief Union; and Sarah Bennett, Clerk.

The minutes of the February 3, 2014 City Council meeting, having been received by each City Council member, were approved as received.

The minutes of the February 3, 2014 Service Committee meeting, having been mailed to each City Council member, were reviewed.

The minutes of the February 3, 2014 Public Hearing, having been mailed to each City Council member, were reviewed.

The minutes of the February 3, 2014 Planning Commission meeting, having been mailed to each City Council member, were reviewed.

The minutes of the February 3, 2014 Safety Committee meeting, having been mailed to each City Council member, were reviewed.

The minutes of February 10, 2014 Park Board meeting, having been mailed to each City Council member, were reviewed.

A motion was made by Mr. Blocksom, seconded by Mr. Thornton, to place Ordinance No. 155-12 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 second reading by title only. Upon Roll Call, all members voted Yes; the President declared the motion carried. The Clerk read Ordinance No. 155-12 for the second time by title only.

A motion was made by Mr. Swinehart, seconded by Mr. Spiegel, for the adoption of Ordinance No. 155-12. Upon Roll Call, all members voted Yes. The President declared the motion carried and Ordinance No. 155-12 was duly adopted.

Discussion was held concerning the need for Ordinance No. 156-12 to be amended to add the emergency clause. A short break was taken by the City Council members and upon returning from the break Mr. Blocksom indicated that he contacted the Reineke Motors, Inc. sales representative and learned that if the order for the police cruisers is placed tomorrow the delivery of the vehicles will be in eight weeks, and if the order for the vehicles is placed following the second reading and adoption of Ordinance No. 156-12 at the next City Council meeting to be held on March 3, 2014 that the delivery will be in four months from the order date.

A motion was made by Mr. Roberts, seconded by Mr. Spiegel, to amend Ordinance No. 156-12 to add the emergency clause to avoid substantial delays in procuring the delivery of said vehicles. Upon Roll Call, all members voted Yes. The Chairman declared the motion carried.

A motion was made by Mr. Spiegel, seconded by Mr. Shumaker, to place Ordinance No. 156-12 entitled, "AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE THREE YEAR LEASE OF THREE POLICE CRUISERS, AND DECLARING THIS ACT AN EMERGENCY.", on its first reading by title only, as amended. Upon Roll Call, all members voted as follows:

Mr. Spiegel	-	Yes
Mr. Swinehart	-	Yes
Mr. Thornton	-	Yes
Mr. Blocksom	-	Abstain
Mr. McColly	-	Yes
Mr. Roberts	-	Yes
Mr. Shumaker	-	Yes

The President declared the motion carried by a 6-0-1 vote. The Clerk read Ordinance No. 156-12 for the first time by title only, as amended.

A motion was made by Mr. Swinehart, seconded by Mr. Thornton, to suspend the rules of the Municipal Charter calling for separate readings on different days. Upon Roll Call, all members voted as follows:

Mr. Spiegel	-	Yes
Mr. Swinehart	-	Yes
Mr. Thornton	-	Yes
Mr. Blocksom	-	Abstain
Mr. McColly	-	Yes
Mr. Roberts	-	Yes
Mr. Shumaker	-	Yes

The President declared the motion carried by a 6-0-1 vote.

A motion was made by Mr. Thornton, seconded by Mr. Shumaker, to place Ordinance No. 156-12 on its second reading by title only, as amended. Upon Roll Call, all members voted as follows:

Mr. Spiegel	-	Yes
Mr. Swinehart	-	Yes
Mr. Thornton	-	Yes
Mr. Blocksom	-	Abstain
Mr. McColly	-	Yes
Mr. Roberts	-	Yes
Mr. Shumaker	-	Yes

The President declared the motion carried by a 6-0-1 vote. The Clerk read Ordinance No. 156-12 for the second time by title only, as amended.

A motion was made by Mr. Swinehart, seconded by Mr. Thornton, for the adoption of Ordinance No. 156-12, as amended. Upon Roll Call, all members voted as follows:

Mr. Spiegel	-	Yes
Mr. Swinehart	-	Yes
Mr. Thornton	-	Yes
Mr. Blocksom	-	Abstain
Mr. McColly	-	Yes
Mr. Roberts	-	Yes
Mr. Shumaker	-	Yes

The President declared the motion carried by a 6-0-1 vote and Ordinance No. 156-12 was duly adopted.

The Monday work hours for the Clerk of Council were discussed as the Safety Committee has decided to change the time of their meetings held the first Monday of each month from 8:15 p.m. to 4:00 p.m. Currently, the Clerk of Council's regularly scheduled hours for the first, second, and third Monday of each month are 1:00 p.m. to 9:30 p.m. It was suggested that these hours be changed to 12:00 p.m. (noon) to 8:30 p.m.

A motion was made by Mr. Roberts, seconded by Mr. Blocksom, to modify the Clerk of Council's hours for the first, second, and third Monday of each month to 12:00 p.m. (noon) to

8:30 p.m. Upon Voice Vote, all members voted Yes. The Chairman declared the motion carried.

Mr. Spiegel reported that the Service Committee hired Mr. Patrick Stansbery as an employee of the Street Department at their meeting held earlier this evening.

Mr. Spiegel reported that also at the Service Committee meeting Mr. Aaron Putnam, Wastewater Treatment Plant employee, indicated that with the upcoming snow, rain, and thawing that flooding is expected. Mr. Putnam reminded residents to check their down spouts, sump pumps, and clear the catch basins in the street if they see a need as this will help alleviate additional problems with flooding. Mr. Shumaker added that residents should shovel snow away from fire hydrants that might be located in their yard.

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

Sarah J. Bennett, Clerk

Rick Roberts, President