

CITY COUNCIL

March 3, 2014

The March 3, 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 Bill Thornton, Bob Blocksom, Kyle McColly, Rick Roberts, Tom Shumaker, and Don Spiegel. Scot Swinehart was absent.

Others present included: Scott Washburn, Mayor; Mark Ellis, Law Director; Angie Gerdeman, Hull and Associates; Aaron Weare, Clemans Nelson Associates; Dave Westbrook, Zoning Inspector; Nick Vaughn; Dave Dlubak; Logan Lawrence; Alissa Paoella, Daily Chief Union; and Sarah Bennett, Clerk.

The minutes of the February 17, 2014 City Council meeting, having been mailed to each City Council member, were approved as received.

The minutes of the February 17, 2014 Service Committee meeting, having been mailed to each City Council member, were reviewed.

The minutes of the February 20, 2014 special Service Committee meeting, having been mailed to each City Council member, were reviewed.

Ms. Angie Gerdeman, Hull and Associates, addressed City Council and reviewed the bids received for the Indian Mill Road Slope Stabilization Project. Ms. Gerdeman indicated that the engineer's estimate for this project was \$190,700.00 and four bids were received with two of those bids being less than the estimate: \$182,670.00 from OURS Excavating, Mt. Gilead, Ohio; and \$185,790.00 from Mark Haynes Construction, Norwalk, Ohio. Ms. Gerdeman stated that Hull and Associates is recommending that the City accept the bid of \$185,790.00 from Mark Haynes Construction based on this company having significant relative work experience, they will be doing their own work and not hiring substitute contractors, and the substantial equipment list they provided. It was noted that the Service Committee has reviewed the bids and recommended to City Council to accept the bid of \$185,790.00 from Mark Haynes Construction.

A motion was made by Mr. Spiegel, seconded by Mr. Blocksom, to place Ordinance No. 157-12 entitled, "AN ORDINANCE TO APPROVE A BID SUBMITTED FOR THE INDIAN MILL ROAD SLOPE STABILIZATION PROJECT, 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 Ordinance No. 157-12 for the first time by title only.

A motion was made by Mr. Blocksom, seconded by Mr. Shumaker, 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. Blocksom, seconded by Mr. Thornton, to place Ordinance No. 157-12 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. 157-12 for the second time by title only.

A motion was made by Mr. Blocksom, seconded by Mr. Roberts, for the adoption of Ordinance No. 157-12. Upon Roll Call, all members voted Yes. The President declared the motion carried and Ordinance No. 157-12 was duly adopted.

A motion was made by Mr. Blocksom, seconded by Mr. Thornton, to place Ordinance No. 158-12 entitled, "AN ORDINANCE APPROVING A CITIZEN PARTICIPATION PLAN AS PART OF THE COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT AND HOME INVESTMENT PARTNERSHIPS, AND DECLARING THIS 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 Ordinance No. 158-12 for the first time by title only.

A motion was made by Mr. Blocksom, seconded by Mr. Shumaker, 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. Roberts, seconded by Mr. Thornton, to place Ordinance No. 158-12 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. 158-12 for the second time by title only.

A motion was made by Mr. Spiegel, seconded by Mr. Roberts, for the adoption of Ordinance No. 158-12. Upon Roll Call, all members voted Yes. The President declared the motion carried and Ordinance No. 158-12 was duly adopted.

Mr. Aaron Weare, Clemans Nelson Associates, addressed City Council and provided a summary of the contract negotiations between the City and the International Union of Police Associations Local 32 representing the police officers and lieutenants. Mr. Weare indicated that the City has three options concerning the fact finding results and tentative agreement reached including: accept, reject, and no action. It was noted that the Safety Committee has recommended to City Council to take no action, and Mr. Weare explained that under State law the agreement is deemed accepted by taking no action. City Council took no action on this matter.

Mayor Washburn reported that Mr. Ken McMillan's retirement from the City as Zoning Inspector was effective as of February 15, 2014. Mayor Washburn recommended Mr. Dave Westbrook be approved as Zoning Inspector.

A motion was made by Mr. Blocksom, seconded by Mr. Roberts, to approve Mr. Dave Westbrook as the City's Zoning Inspector. Upon Roll Call, all members voted Yes. The President declared the motion carried. Mayor Washburn swore in Mr. Westbrook as Zoning Inspector.

Mayor Washburn also reported that potholes throughout the City will be addressed as weather permits.

It was noted that an updated schedule of various committee meetings was received by the members of City Council.

Condolences were expressed to the Tammy Clifford Family. Mrs. Clifford served as a member of the City's Civil Service Commission.

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

Sarah J. Bennett, Clerk

Rick Roberts, President