

BUDGET HEARING

July 15, 2019

The July 15, 2019 Budget Hearing was called to order at 7:15 p.m. in Council Chambers by Don Spiegel, President. City Council members present were Kenneth Wessler, Aaron Korte, and Marc Mays, Rick Roberts, Don Spiegel, Bill Thornton, and John Walker.

Others present included: Scott Washburn, Mayor; Mark Ellis, Law Director; Mark Droll, City Auditor; Brian Hemminger, Daily Chief Union; and Sarah Bennett, Clerk.

The purpose of this hearing was to allow public comments regarding the City's 2020 estimate of budget revenues.

Mr. Mark Droll, City Auditor, reviewed the City's estimate of revenues for the budget year beginning January 1, 2020 with the members of City Council.

It was noted that the City is required to submit the 2020 estimate of budget revenues to the Wyandot County Auditor by July 20, 2019.

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

Sarah J. Bennett, Clerk

Don Spiegel, President

CITY COUNCIL

July 15, 2019

The July 15, 2019 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 Kenneth Wessler, Aaron Korte, and Marc Mays, Rick Roberts, Don Spiegel, Bill Thornton, and John Walker.

Others present included: Scott Washburn, Mayor; Mark Ellis, Law Director; Mark Droll, City Auditor; Brian Hemminger, Daily Chief Union; and Sarah Bennett, Clerk.

The minutes of the July 1, 2019 City Council meeting, having been mailed to each City Council member, were approved as received.

The minutes of the July 1, 2019 Safety Committee meeting, having been mailed to each City Council member, were reviewed.

The minutes of the July 1, 2019 Service Committee meeting, having been mailed to each City Council member, were reviewed.

The minutes of the July 8, 2019 Park Board meeting, having been mailed to each City Council member, were reviewed.

The minutes of the July 9, 2019 special Service Committee meeting, having been mailed to each City Council member, were reviewed.

A motion was made by Mr. Korte, seconded by Mr. Thornton, to place Ordinance No. 57-13 entitled, "AN ORDINANCE TO APPROVE THE TRANSFER OF FUNDS FROM THE GENERAL FUND TO TRANSIENT GUEST TAX, 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. 57-13 for the first time by title only.

A motion was made by Mr. Mays, seconded by Mr. Walker, to place Ordinance No. 58-13 entitled, "AN ORDINANCE TO MAKE SUPPLEMENTAL APPROPRIATIONS TO THE ANNUAL APPROPRIATIONS ORDINANCE NO. 48-13, 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, 2019.", 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. 58-13 for the first time by title only.

Mayor Washburn asked City Council members for their input on the fireworks display. City Council members expressed that they were pleased with the display. Mayor Washburn indicated that they will begin interviewing companies in the near future in hopes of having plans set for the fireworks to be held in 2020.

It was noted that the Fire Department's annual chicken barbeque held on Thursday, July 4, 2019 was sold out.

Mayor Washburn noted that with Mr. Aaron Putnam's resignation as the Wastewater Treatment Supervisor that Mr. Brian Gottfried, who holds a Class II Operators license, is able to run the Wastewater Treatment Plant for thirty (30) days but EPA regulations mandate that a Class III Operator is needed after that who will work at least twenty (20) hours per week and five (5) days per week. Mayor Washburn noted that Mr. Keith Niederkohr, Parks Manager, has a Class III Operators license and is filling in for the time being. Mayor Washburn indicated that he contacted firms who can be contracted by the City as a subcontractor to run the Wastewater Treatment Plant and found Mr. Terry Spiegel, who retired after forty (40) years as a Class III Wastewater Operator with the City of Bucyrus, to be the most reasonably priced and is willing to work in this capacity at a rate of \$40.00 per hour. Mayor Washburn indicated that the contract with Mr. Spiegel has been signed and he will begin work on Monday, July 22, 2019.

Discussion was held concerning the 2020 estimate of budget revenues, as reviewed in the Budget Hearing held prior to this meeting.

A motion was made by Mr. Spiegel, seconded by Mr. Mays, to approve the submission of the 2020 budget revenues to the Wyandot County Auditor. Upon Roll Call, all members voted Yes. The President declared the motion carried.

It was noted that the traveling Vietnam Wall will be passing thru Upper Sandusky tomorrow in the afternoon on its way to Marion, Ohio.

Mayor Washburn again reported on the first ever Battle of the Badges charity softball game to be held on Saturday, August 24, 2019 in Harrison Smith Park beginning with a homerun derby at 12:00 p.m. and game beginning at 1:00 p.m. The game will feature the Upper Sandusky public safety forces (police and fire department personnel) vs. the Carey public safety forces (police and fire department personnel), with admission being \$5.00 and this including admission to the swimming pool. All proceeds from the event will benefit the Wyandot Memorial Hospital Oncology Services.

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

Sarah J. Bennett, Clerk

Don Spiegel, President