

## CITY COUNCIL

January 6, 2020

The January 6, 2020 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 Marc Mays, Kyle McColly, Rick Roberts, Don Spiegel, John Walker, Kenneth Wessler, and Aaron Korte.

Others present included: Scott Washburn, Mayor; Ben Buckland, Law Director; Mark Droll, City Auditor; Craig Swartz; Kelle Saull; Tyson Saull; Ava Saull; Taylor Saull; Justin Swartz; Pati Bardon; Staci Musselman; Jerry Lawrence; Jim Steward; Esther Walker; Callan Pugh, Daily Chief Union; and Sarah Bennett, Clerk.

The minutes of the December 16, 2019 City Council meeting, having been mailed to each City Council member, were approved as received.

The minutes of the December 16, 2019 Service Committee meeting, having been mailed to each City Council member, were reviewed.

Mr. Craig Swartz addressed City Council and presented information from the City of Sandusky, Ohio who in 2019 replaced the Columbus Day holiday with Election Day as a paid holiday for municipal employees. Mr. Swartz suggested the City of Upper Sandusky consider adopting the same.

Mrs. Kelle Saull, attorney, addressed City Council regarding the detachment of the land that was previously a portion of Waterworks Park and was owned by the City and sold in 2019. Mrs. Saull expressed her safety concerns as she owns the property across the river to the east and there is currently a deer feeder and deer hunting shed located on the property to be detached. Mrs. Saull indicated that Mr. Paul Wagner, WMS Real Estate and Auctioneer, advertised the property and announced at the auction that it was a non-hunting property. Mrs. Saull asked that hunting not be allowed on this property and suggested that the property possibly be resold. Mr. Tyson Saull passed around bullets for rifles he owns and hunts with on the adjacent property and stated his understanding of the current hunting regulations and indicated that under these regulations that hunting on the land to be detached would not be permissible. Mr. Justin Swartz expressed his concerns about safety as he recently purchased land adjacent to the property to be detached and plans to build a home. Mrs. Pati Bardon addressed City Council indicating her safety concerns as she frequently visits the dog park located on land adjacent to the land to be detached. Mrs. Bardon indicated that she has talked to homeowners living adjacent to the land to be detached about the situation. Mrs. Bardon also indicated that she would like to see the dog park enlarged and water and restrooms added. It was noted that the State has adopted new statewide gun laws which supersede local gun regulations. Mr. Craig Swartz stated that mixed signals are being sent due to the State legislature and local control. Mr. Buckland explained the hunting regulations as provided by the Ohio Department of Natural Resources.

A motion was made by Mr. Mays, seconded by Mr. Korte, to place Resolution No. 70-13 entitled, "A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO PREPARE AND SUBMIT AN APPLICATION FOR USDA/RURAL DEVELOPMENT COMMUNITY FACILITY FUNDING FOR THE PURCHASE OF EQUIPMENT FOR THE STREET DEPARTMENT AND TO EXECUTE APPLICATION DOCUMENTS, AS REQUIRED.", on its second reading by title only. Upon Roll Call, all members voted Yes; the President declared the motion carried. The Clerk read Resolution No. 70-13 for the second time by title only.

A motion was made by Mr. Walker, seconded by Mr. Mays, for the adoption of Resolution No. 70-13. Upon Roll Call, all members voted Yes. The President declared the motion carried and Resolution No. 70-13 was duly adopted.

A motion was made by Mr. Spiegel, seconded by Mr. Mays, to place Ordinance No. 71-13 entitled, "AN ORDINANCE TO APPROVE A PETITION FOR DETACHMENT OF TERRITORY LOCATED WITHIN THE CITY OF UPPER SANDUSKY CONTAINING 28.672 ACRES, MORE OR LESS, IN THE COUNTY OF WYANDOT, STATE OF OHIO, AND IN THE TOWNSHIP OF CRANE.", 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. 71-13 for the second time by title only.

A motion was made by Mr. Spiegel, seconded by Mr. Walker, for the adoption of Ordinance No. 71-13. Upon Roll Call, all members voted Yes. The President declared the motion carried and Ordinance No. 71-13 was duly adopted.

A motion was made by Mr. Mays, seconded by Mr. Walker, to place Ordinance No. 72-13 entitled, "AN ORDINANCE APPROVING A LABOR AGREEMENT WITH THE INTERNATIONAL UNION OF POLICE ASSOCIATIONS, AFL-CIO LOCAL 32, FOR THE PERIOD OF JANUARY 1, 2020 TO DECEMBER 31, 2022, COVERING POLICE LIEUTENANTS AND POLICE OFFICERS FOR THE CITY, AND AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO EXECUTE SUCH AGREEMENT ON BEHALF OF THE CITY, 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. 72-13 for the first time by title only.

A motion was made by Mr. Mays, seconded by Mr. McColly, 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. Korte, seconded by Mr. Spiegel, to place Ordinance No. 72-13 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. 72-13 for the second time by title only.

A motion was made by Mr. Spiegel, seconded by Mr. Mays, for the adoption of Ordinance No. 72-13. Upon Roll Call, all members voted Yes. The President declared the motion carried and Ordinance No. 72-13 was duly adopted.

A motion was made by Mr. Mays, seconded by Mr. Walker, to place Ordinance No. 73-13 entitled, "AN ORDINANCE REPEALING SECTION 505.11 OF THE CODIFIED ORDINANCES OF THE CITY OF UPPER SANDUSKY, OHIO, RELATING TO HUNTING INSIDE CORPORATION LIMITS, 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. 73-13 for the first time by title only.

A motion was made by Mr. Wessler, seconded by Mr. Mays, 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. Spiegel, seconded by Mr. Walker, to place Ordinance No. 73-13 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. 73-13 for the second time by title only.

A motion was made by Mr. Walker, seconded by Mr. Korte, for the adoption of Ordinance No. 73-13. Upon Roll Call, all members voted Yes. The President declared the motion carried and Ordinance No. 73-13 was duly adopted.

A motion was made by Mr. Korte, seconded by Mr. Mays, to place Ordinance No. 74-13 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 Ordinance No. 74-13 for the first time by title only.

It was noted that City Council members received the 2019 Annual Report from Mr. Mark Ellis reporting on his duties as Law Director.

It was also noted that City Council members received the quarterly Income Tax Collections and Transient Guest Tax Collections reports as of December 31, 2019.

Mayor Washburn indicated that Mr. Justin Swartz, who addressed City Council earlier in the meeting, is in charge of a local youth mentoring program. Mayor Washburn urged those interested in volunteering to contact Mr. Swartz.

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

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Sarah J. Bennett, Clerk

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Rick Roberts, President