

CITY COUNCIL

April 18, 2011

The April 18, 2011 City Council meeting was called to order at 7:30 p.m. in Council Chambers by Gary Veith, 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 Scot Swinehart, Gary Veith, Paul Wagner, Kyle McColly, Chad Smith, and Don Spiegel. Evie Hall-Case was absent.

Others present included: Scott Washburn, Mayor; Mark Ellis, Law Director; Tom Creger, Wyandot County Visitors and Convention Bureau; Sara Lou Brown, Wyandot County Visitors and Convention Bureau; Bill Thornton; John Hawkins; Chanda Neely, Daily Chief Union; and Sarah Bennett, Clerk.

The minutes of the April 4, 2011 City Council meeting, having been mailed to each City Council member, were approved as received.

The minutes of the April 4, 2011 Service Committee meeting, having been mailed to each City Council member, were reviewed.

The minutes of the April 4, 2011 special Safety Committee meeting, having been mailed to each City Council member, were reviewed.

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The minutes of the April 11, 2011 Park Board meeting, having been mailed to each City Council member, were reviewed.

Mr. Tom Creger and Mrs. Sara Lou Brown, representing the Wyandot County Visitors and Convention Bureau, presented City Council members with the Parks and Trails brochure published from the bed tax funds that were released by the City to the Wyandot County Visitors and Convention Bureau. Copies of the brochure were also presented to the Park Board. It was noted that 10,000 copies of the brochure were printed.

Miss Chanda Neeley, Daily Chief Union, expressed her appreciation to the City for allowing her the opportunity to spend a day recently with the Upper Sandusky Fire Department for an upcoming story to be printed in the newspaper.

It was noted that a tour of the new Water Treatment Plant for the members of the Service Committee and City Council will be held on Monday, May 16, 2011 beginning approximately at 6:00 p.m.

A motion was made by Mr. Swinehart, seconded by Mr. Wagner, to place Resolution No. 54-12 entitled, "A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR OF THE CITY OF UPPER SANDUSKY TO PREPARE AND SUBMIT AN APPLICATION TO PARTICIPATE IN THE OHIO PUBLIC WORKS COMMISSION (OPWC) STATE CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT AND/OR LOCAL TRANSPORTATION IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM(S) AND TO EXECUTE CONTRACTS 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. 54-12 for the second time by title only.

A motion was made by Mr. Veith, seconded by Mr. Spiegel, for the adoption of Resolution No. 54-12. Upon Roll Call, all members voted Yes. The President declared the motion carried and Resolution No. 54-12 was duly adopted.

A motion was made by Mr. Smith, seconded by Mr. McColly, to place Resolution No. 57-12 entitled, "A RESOLUTION ESTABLISHING A POLICY PROHIBITING THE RE-

HIRING OF A RETIRED FORMER FULL-TIME CITY EMPLOYEE.”, on its first reading by title only. Upon Roll Call, all members voted as follows:

Mr. Swinehart	-	No
Mr. Veith	-	Yes
Mr. Wagner	-	No
Mr. McColly	-	Yes
Mr. Smith	-	Yes
Mr. Spiegel	-	Yes

The President declared the motion carried by a 4-2 vote. The Clerk read Resolution No. 57-12 for the first time by title only.

A motion was made by Mr. Swinehart, seconded by Mr. Wagner, to place Ordinance No. 58-12 entitled, “AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE ANNUAL WAGE AND SALARY ORDINANCE NO. 41-12 (AN ORDINANCE FIXING SALARIES, WAGES AND THE RATES OF PAY FOR THE EMPLOYEES OF THE CITY OF UPPER SANDUSKY, OHIO, FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 2011 AND DESIGNATING THE POSITIONS FOR VARIOUS DEPARTMENTS OF THE CITY OF UPPER SANDUSKY), 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. 58-12 for the first time by title only.

A motion was made by Mr. Veith, seconded by Mr. Smith, 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. Veith, seconded by Mr. Swinehart, to place Ordinance No. 58-12 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. 58-12 for the second time by title only.

A motion was made by Mr. Spiegel, seconded by Mr. Swinehart, for the adoption of Ordinance No. 58-12. Upon Roll Call, all members voted Yes. The President declared the motion carried and Ordinance No. 58-12 was duly adopted.

A motion was made by Mr. Veith, seconded by Mr. Swinehart, to place Resolution No. 59-12 entitled, “A RESOLUTION TO ESTABLISH AN ENERGY EFFICIENCY AND CONSERVATION BLOCK GRANT (EECBG) FUND WITHIN THE CITY’S BUDGET.”, 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. 59-12 for the first time by title only.

A motion was made by Mr. Swinehart, seconded by Mr. Spiegel, to place Ordinance No. 60-12 entitled, “AN ORDINANCE TO MAKE SUPPLEMENTAL APPROPRIATIONS TO THE ANNUAL APPROPRIATIONS ORDINANCE NO. 42-12, 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, 2011.”, 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. 60-12 for the first time by title only.

Mr. Veith reported that he along with Mr. Allen Boes, Street and Sanitation Supervisor, and Mr. Dale Rowe, Service Committee, met recently with representatives of Shelly Corporation concerning paving work done within the City as part of the Ohio Department of Transportation (ODOT) State Route 199 resurfacing project.

It was noted that the City’s annual Spring Clean Up will take place next week.

Mayor Washburn reported that he attended a meeting held recently at the Crawford Township Hall in Carey, Ohio with area Township Trustees, Wyandot County Commissioner Mike Wheeler, Harpster Mayor Steve Schaadt, and State Representative Jeff McClain concerning cuts in the State budget and how it will effect the Local Government

Funds. Mayor Washburn indicated that the City will see a fifty percent (50%) decrease in the revenues from the Local Government Funds over the next two (2) years. The possible elimination of estate taxes by the State of Ohio was also discussed and it was noted that the City will see a decrease in revenue of approximately \$100,000.00 annually if this tax is eliminated.

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

Sarah J. Bennett, Clerk

Gary Veith, President