

CITY COUNCIL

May 19, 2014

The May 19, 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, Roxie Karg, Rick Roberts, and Tom Shumaker.

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

Prior to the meeting Mayor Washburn swore in Ms. Roxanna Karg as a newly appointed member of City Council.

The minutes of the May 5, 2014 City Council meeting, having been mailed to each City Council member, were approved as received.

The minutes of the May 5, 2014 Safety Committee meeting, having been mailed to each City Council member, were reviewed.

The minutes of the May 5, 2014 Service Committee meeting, having been mailed to each City Council member, were reviewed.

The minutes of the May 5, 2014 Planning Commission meeting, having been mailed to each City Council member, were reviewed.

The minutes of the May 5, 2014 special Park Board meeting, having been mailed to each City Council member, were reviewed.

The minutes of the May 12, 2014 Park Board meeting, having been mailed to each City Council member, were reviewed.

A motion was made by Mr. Swinehart, seconded by Mr. Thornton, to place Ordinance No. 164-12 entitled, "AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE PURCHASE OF A 2013 PIERCE VELOCITY CHASSIS AND ACCESSORIES THROUGH THE STATE PURCHASING PROGRAM, 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. 164-12 for the second time by title only.

A motion was made by Mr. Blocksom, seconded by Mr. Spiegel, for the adoption of Ordinance No. 164-12. Upon Roll Call, all members voted Yes. The President declared the motion carried and Ordinance No. 164-12 was duly adopted.

A motion was made by Mr. Swinehart, seconded by Mr. Shumaker, to place Ordinance No. 165-12 entitled, "AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE ISSUANCE AND SALE OF \$415,875 FIRE TRUCK ACQUISITION BONDS, SERIES 2014 AND DECLARING 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. 165-12 for the second time by title only.

A motion was made by Mr. Blocksom, seconded by Mr. Thornton, for the adoption of Ordinance No. 165-12. Upon Roll Call, all members voted Yes. The President declared the motion carried and Ordinance No. 165-12 was duly adopted.

A motion was made by Mr. Swinehart, seconded by Mr. Thornton, to place Ordinance No. 166-12 entitled, "AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE ANNUAL WAGE AND SALARY ORDINANCE NO. 148-12 (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, 2014 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. 166-12 for the first time by title only.

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 Yes. The President declared the motion carried.

A motion was made by Mr. Swinehart, seconded by Mr. Thornton, to place Ordinance No. 166-12 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. 166-12 for the second time by title only.

A motion was made by Mr. Blocksom, seconded by Mr. Shumaker, for the adoption of Ordinance No. 166-12. Upon Roll Call, all members voted Yes. The President declared the motion carried and Ordinance No. 166-12 was duly adopted.

It was noted that Mr. John Searfoss, Water Distribution Supervisor, reported to the Service Committee that all water line work under the Northeast Quadrant Waterline Improvements Project is done and the contractor is in the process of addressing necessary yard and road work repairs.

Ms. Karg indicated that she was approached by an individual who inquired as to if the materials in the stone, asphalt, and dirt piles near the compost area are available for individuals to take. Mayor Washburn indicated that individuals call on occasion concerning this matter and they are referred to Mr. Allen Boes, Street and Sanitation Supervisor, for his determination. Mr. Boes will be asked to post signs indicating whether these materials can be taken by the public.

Mr. Thornton presented a concern about pedestrians walking along State Route 53 to and from the subdivision located to the north of the fairgrounds. Mr. Roberts requested City Council members look at the area to determine if there are any solutions to this issue. The concern will also be presented to the Safety Committee.

Mayor Washburn reported that he and Police Officer Drew Ruse attended a meeting recently at the Upper Sandusky Schools Superintendent's Office to discuss traffic issues in front of Union School/Upper Sandusky Middle School. Mayor Washburn indicated that Mr. Mark McQuown, teacher, and Mr. Jeff Conley, Upper Sandusky School Board, are spearheading an effort alleviate the traffic issues. Mr. Blocksom indicated that he was on the Safety Committee in 2001 when a public hearing was held to try to resolve the traffic problems being experienced.

Mayor Washburn reported that Upper Sandusky Middle School Principal Jim Wheeler recently rewarded middle school students having fifteen (15) or more hours of community service by allowing them to have a day at the park.

It was noted that the Chamber of Commerce's annual fireworks display will be held on Thursday, July 3, 2014.

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