

UHRICHSVILLE CITY COUNCIL
Thursday, October 12, 2017

Council President Pro Tem Bob Baker called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

ROLL CALL showed the following members present: Mr. Grandison-yes; Mr. Baker-yes; Mr. Miller-yes; Mr. Peterson-yes; Mr. Warner-yes; Mrs. Davis-present; Mrs. Cottis-yes. Council President Mark Haney was excused due to work.

To start the meeting, Council President Pro Temp Bob Baker asked for a moment of silence to observe the passing of Barb Bollon, wife of the City Service Director, Joe Bollon.

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Council Clerk Trisha Addison.

Council President Pro Tem Bob Baker asked for a motion to accept the Council Meeting Minutes from September 28, 2017. A motion was made by Mrs. Cottis with a second by Mrs. Davis to accept the minutes. ROLL CALL: Mrs. Cottis-yes; Mrs. Davis-yes; Mr. Grandison-yes; Mr. Miller-yes; Mr. Baker-yes; Mr. Peterson-yes; Mr. Warner-yes.

Rita McPeek, Dan Rice, and Tiffany Poland, Members of the Panhandle Passage Committee, were present to give Council an update.

Rita McPeek spoke about the following:

- They brought samples of a printed sign noting the Panhandle Passage Trail. Several signs will be placed along the trail with arrows showing the direction to continue on the trail.
- The trail will be on surface streets with a section going through the cemetery.
- They met with the cemetery board and have an appropriate sized sign for the cemetery.
- The committee has walked the trail twice and will walk it again Tuesday morning with John Chapman to double check the location of the signs.
- Dan helped teach them a lot as to how often signs should be passed.
- The cemetery loop is one-way, but on the surface streets you can reverse so that people can either direction. These signs will be back-to-back on a post.
- Once the signs are up you will have one continuous trail from the Village of Dennison, through the City of Uhrichsville, and back to the Village of Dennison.
- As they move forward with additional funds, the trail will be expanded and go off of surface streets and into more trail area.
- Tiffany Poland is Director of Marketing at Trinity Twin City Hospital and shared that they received three quotes on signs and it is quite affordable. As part of the hospital's commitment to healthy living, the hospital would like to pay for the signs for this next part of the route. The price for the signs and posts are just under \$5,000.
- Dan Rice also spoke about the signs and wanted to get Council's approval.
- In terms of installation, any help that the city could provide would be great, and they have a really good core of volunteers, but any help that Council or the city can provide would be appreciated since there are about 100 signs to install.
- Mrs. Cottis asked about the post material and it will be medal. She added that she loved it, loved the color and everything. She asked about the middle image on the sign, which is a watercraft. Ms. Poland explained that from the beginning the trail was to be able to walk it, bike it, paddle it. Parts of the Stillwater Creek are able to be paddled and their intent is to have signs throughout so that you can do all three. Ms. McPeek added that rather than redo the signs when the additions are made to the trail to include paddling, they are starting with it knowing that that is their future plan.
- Mrs. Davis thanked the committee and told them the signs are gorgeous.
- In addition to the signs, there is another need for some entry points where a gateway entrance sign is needed. There is a kiosk at McCluskey Park that the Clayland Lions Club has sponsored,

at the trailhead by Certified. They know there is a need for additional ones, with additional sponsors needed in the future.

- Mayor Dorland added that we could get the kiosks made from recyclable material made of heavy duty plastic and that could be part of the city's contribution. We have recycle funds for mainly that purpose and he hopes when we get the final figures and when the time comes we can use some of that money to put towards the kiosk.
- The kiosk will have an overall map and a "you are here" on the sign.
- Mr. Peterson said that the signs were already approved by the Cemetery Committee. He said a lot of people do walk it and will be nice to extend it.

ADMINISTRATIVE REPORTS:

Mayor Rick Dorland:

- Has four or five people that are interested in the Water Park Manager position and hopefully they will be doing some interviews at the end of the month.
- This morning he received a letter from the Kimble Company regarding the recycling program. From October of 2016 to October of 2017 Kimble collected 336.25 tons of recyclables in Uhrichsville, an increase of 11% from last year. In order to receive a rebate we had to have at least 325. We received \$17 per ton for a total of \$5,716.25. That money is to be used for charitable purposes and once the check is received he will meet with his administration and they will see how it will be divided. Last year it was divided between the Twin City Christian Service Center and the Christmas program at Claymont High School
- He and some council people attended the Fire Department's open house last night. It was well attended. The attendees got to see the Fire Department respond to an accident with injury call at Union Township.

City Services Director Joe Bollon:

- Absent.

Law Director Brett Hillyer:

- Nothing to report.

Auditor, Julie Pearch:

- Absent.

Treasurer, Susan Peters:

- Absent.

Correspondence:

- Nothing to report.

Committee Reports:

Mrs. Cottis –Nothing to report.

Mrs. Davis-Nothing to report.

Mr. Warner-Nothing to report.

Mr. Peterson –The Union Cemetery trustees met on October 3, 2017 and Mr. Peterson read the minutes from the meeting, which are available to all upon request. A motion was made by Mrs. Cottis, seconded by Mrs. Davis to accept the minutes as presented. ROLL CALL: Mrs. Cottis-yes; Mrs. Davis-yes; Mr. Grandison-yes; Mr. Miller-yes; Mr. Baker-yes; Mr. Peterson-yes; Mr. Warner-yes.

A Park Committee meeting will be held on October 16, 2017 at 6:00 p.m. At 6:30, Terry and Diane LeMonte will be giving an update on the Veteran's Restoration Project. At 6:30 Jessie Newton will be meeting with the committee.

Mr. Baker-Nothing to report.

Mr. Miller-Nothing to report.

Mr. Grandison –The next Finance Committee meeting is scheduled for October 18 at 6:30 p.m. and all are welcome to attend.

Old Business:

Mrs. Cottis –Asked the Law Director if the Sis & Sonny Shop had been sold. It was sold for \$500 and is to be torn down by the end of the year.

Mrs. Davis – Asked what was going on with what used to be Jim Long's property. The Mayor said he would look into it.

Mr. Warner – Asked if Circle K was still going to expand. Mayor Dorland said probably next year because they ran into some issues. They had to relocate the sanitary sewer system and the parent company acquired numerous new businesses. Hopefully the beginning of next year we will start to move forward.

Mr. Peterson –Nothing to report.

Mr. Baker – Nothing to report.

Mr. Miller – Has been looking into the possibility of a skate park that Mike Hickman brought up so there would be somewhere for the kids to go to. He got on the internet and tried to find grant money. He did find the Tony Hawk Foundation and a couple government grants that you have to apply online, so there are some things out there, but they have to get together about the property and get Council's permission. Mr. Peterson added Mike is in a bad position because there are a lot of kids that skateboard on private property and at the Junior High, but there is no place to tell them to go. He also had information about the Tony Hawk Foundation, which has a lot of stipulations and there is stiff competition. We would have to come with a piece of ground, preliminary designs, and start fundraising before we would be able to apply. He agrees that we are telling kids they are not allowed to skateboard, but not telling them where they are allowed to skateboard. He and Mr. Miller have taken it upon themselves to look into and anyone with ideas please let them know. Mrs. Cottis said maybe they could talk to New Phila, but no one has called back. She suggested the old Starkey's junkyard as a spot for it. They will keep working on it.

Mr. Grandison –Nothing to report.

New Business

Mrs. Cottis –On October 7 there was an activity at the stadium called Fields of Faith initiated by Carl Sowers. It wasn't as well attended as she thought it might be, but she gives him credit for organizing something for the community that might benefit them.

Mrs. Davis – Nothing to report.

Mr. Warner – Nothing to report.

Mr. Peterson – The Fields of Faith activity was the same night as several homecomings which may have conflicted with people attending. Leigh Bollon read a letter from Barb Bollon that was very inspirational. Mrs. Cottis added that it was brought about by the Fellowship of Christian Athletes which is an organization that Claymont has and it was unfortunate that the members had to choose between the two events.

Mr. Peterson added he couldn't attend the Fire Department Open House, but his wife and grandson attended and his grandson was very impressed with the smoke house and it really stuck in his mind.

Mr. Baker –Keep an eye on your calendars for the second meeting in November that will have to be rescheduled and the second meeting in December that may or may not need moved. Can be discussed at the next meeting.

Mr. Miller – Nothing to report.

Mr. Grandison – Nothing to report.

Visitors:

- Eric Harmon, 918 N. Water Street – observing.
- Jessie Newton, 711 N. Water Street, - She is here representing It Takes A Village. She brought handouts of the Twin Cities 1st Annual Halloween Party with an itinerary and a map. The Mayor and Clerk have copies for anyone interested. The Halloween Party is October 28 from 5:00 to 7:30 p.m.
- Buck Cottrell, 499 Moravian Trail - observing

ORDINANCES/RESOLUTIONS:

None.

COMMITTEE ASSIGNMENTS:

None.

Other Discussions:

None.

Meeting Adjourned at 7:33 p.m.

Trisha Addison
Clerk of Council

Bob Baker
Council President Pro Tem