

UHRICHSVILLE CITY COUNCIL
Thursday, August 24, 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-; Mrs. Cottis-absent due to work. President Haney was absent and excused due to work.

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 August 10, 2017. A motion was made by Mr. Miller with a second by Mr. Warner to accept the minutes. ROLL CALL: Mr. Miller-yes; Mr. Warner-yes; Mr. Baker-yes; Mr. Peterson-yes; Mrs. Davis-yes; Mr. Grandison-yes.

Mrs. Davis introduced Sarah Clapper, Miss Ohio 2017. She is the 6th Miss Clayland to be crowned Miss Ohio and she will be representing the Buckeye State in the Miss America Pageant next month. Sarah is from Louisville and now resides in Columbus.

Sarah Clapper spoke to council. She graduated from Louisville High School 2012 and received her BS in Architecture from The Ohio State University. Her personal platform is entitled "Athletics Today-A Lifetime of Tomorrows." She grew up as a gymnast and during her sophomore year she was injured which resulted in the termination of her gymnastics career and the end of a life dream and she suffered from an identity crisis and felt very lost. Her platform seeks to encourage athletes that their personal value doesn't belong to their athletic ability. She has done that by partnering with Growing Leaders and developing a program called Habitudes, a program that teaches character and leadership growing skills. Her goal is to develop an emotional resiliency so they can transition out of their career they feel they can still contribute to society even though they aren't participating in athletics. Her goal as Miss America is to influence the lives of children and to encourage them to always find their value. She thanked everyone for inviting her and has seen firsthand the support small communities have and thanked everyone for supporting such an incredible organization.

Mayor Dorland presented Sarah Clapper with a key to the City of Uhrichsville and wished her luck on her triple crown. We would like to have a repeat of Susan Perkins, who will be one of Sarah's preliminary judges. Ms. Davis, on behalf of the Recognition Committee and the Uhrichsville Council, presented Ms. Clapper with a certificate and flowers. Ms. Davis wished her the best of luck on behalf of Council and the City of Uhrichsville at the Miss America pageant which airs September 10 at 9:00 p.m. on ABC.

Elaine Affolter of the Twin City Board spoke next to Council.

- Presented handouts to Council of the Financial Statements of the Twin City Water & Sewer District for June 2017 and the minutes from the meetings of held June 15, 2017 and July 20, 2017.
- We will be seeing new bills from the water department. She passed out a copy of the new billing statement example to council.
- Hired Forest White at the water department.
- Did a water/sewer rate analysis done by ARCAP to take a look at the rates based on usage. They have not acted on anything because if they went by the recommendation the rates would skyrocket. Board is going to come up with a formula to come up with a better outcome. It is still a work in progress. The rates will go up because the increase is needed. Mr. Bollon asked for details due to the fact that some residents feel that the city runs the water department.

ADMINISTRATIVE REPORTS:

Mayor Rick Dorland:

- For the past week or so the Service Department has been working the midnight shift painting crosswalks and such and should be back on days next week doing some durapatching around town.
- The Director and Mayor have been keeping a close eye on the restoration of the gas line replacement line on the West Side and the concrete and patching of road and it's looking pretty good and they're doing a good job.
- The pool hours are open this Saturday and Sunday and all of Labor Day weekend and then will be closed for the season after Monday.
- Schools are in session and drivers need to watch their speed through the school zones. Police are on alert and are patrolling the school zones.
- Director stamped the paperwork for the Camp Kaphar land purchase and it is coming along real well.
- This Labor Day weekend the Fire Department will be having a Fill the Boot Campaign for Muscular Dystrophy Association at 8th and Water.
- Mr. Peterson asked and a Park Committee meeting would be set up the first of September.

City Services Director Joe Bollon:

- Nothing to report.
- Mrs. Davis asked about the new stop sign at 8th and Main. She feels that Uhrich Street is now becoming Midvale Speedway. Mr. Bollon said you might be seeing more stop signs. He will let the police department know about Uhrich Street speeding.
- The company that did the stripping is going to do Uhrich Street.
- Also, Uhrich Street is not being paved, only striped, so the cheerleaders can paint the horseshoes by the stadium.

Law Director Brett Hillyer:

- Met with the attorney recently to discuss the issues that we're facing
- Mr. Bollon came up with a stamp and submitted the deed for the lot split for the park acquisition.
- Interesting to note that the Uhrichville Pool was actually donated to the city by the Board of Education in 1958.

Auditor, Julie Pearch:

- Absent.

Treasurer, Susan Peters:

- Absent.

Correspondence:

- Nothing to report.

Committee Reports:

Mrs. Cottis –Absent.

Mrs. Davis-Nothing to report.

Mr. Warner-Regarding the medical marijuana issue, got ahold of Mr. Miller and Mrs. Davis and they decided they do not want it to come into the city. Talked with the Chief of Police and the Fire Chief. Questions were asked of Mr. Warner about what he based his decision on. Mayor Dorland suggested that he reach out to the Village of Johnstown because they have done they're research and he feels that we need to investigate it further before we make a decision. Mr. Miller added that he did some research and spoke to his own doctor who said that there is other medication that is just as good. Mr. Bollon

disagreed. Mr. Hillyer agreed to print the regulations for the committee. The committee agreed to look into it further.

Mr. Peterson –Read the August 1, 2017 Union Cemetery Report and copy is available at the Council Clerk’s office. A motion was made by Mr. Grandison, seconded by Mrs. Davis. ROLL CALL: Mr. Grandison-yes; Mrs. Davis-yes; Mr. Miller-yes; Mr. Baker-yes; Mr. Peterson-yes; Mr. Warner-yes.

Mr. Baker-Nothing to report.

Mr. Miller –Nothing to report.

Mr. Grandison – The Finance Committee met on August 16, 2017 at 6:30 p.m. and Mr. Grandison read the report which is available at the Council Clerk’s office. Council received copies of the financial reports for the month ending July, 2017 and they were approved as presented. Mr. Grandison made a motion, seconded by Mrs. Davis to approve the financial reports as presented. ROLL CALL: Mr. Grandison-yes; Mrs. Davis-yes; Mr. Miller-yes; Mr. Baker-yes; Mr. Peterson-yes; Mr. Warner-yes.

The next Finance Committee meeting is September 20 at 6:30 p.m. and all are welcome to attend.

Old Business:

Mrs. Cottis –Absent.

Mrs. Davis – Nothing to report.

Mr. Warner – Nothing to report.

Mr. Peterson –Nothing to report.

Mr. Baker – Nothing to report.

Mr. Miller – Nothing to report.

Mr. Grandison –Nothing to report.

New Business

Mrs. Cottis –Absent.

Mrs. Davis – Nothing to report.

Mr. Warner – Nothing to report.

Mr. Peterson – Last month he requested executive session with no action taken but since then has done some more research. In April of this year the water board revised the personnel policy manual at Twin City Water & Sewer where he works. Last month he received a phone call and then a letter from the water board informing him that he was in violation of Ohio Revised Code 124.57, which states that no employee of a political subdivision can serve in a political position. He is letting everyone know that even though he ran in the primary he turned a letter in on August 22 to the Board of Elections requesting that his name be removed from the November 2017 ballot. The water department has no problem with him serving out his term, but he will not be on the ballot in November. He has had a lot of fun being on council and will finish out this year.

Mr. Baker –Nothing to report.

Mr. Miller – Nothing to report.

Mr. Grandison – Nothing to report.

Visitors:

- Eric Harmon, 918 N. Water Street – observing.

ORDINANCES/RESOLUTIONS:

None

COMMITTEE ASSIGNMENTS:

Nothing.

Other Discussions:

Mr. Miller said that Mr. Peterson will be missed.

Meeting Adjourned at 7:31 p.m.

Trisha Addison
Clerk of Council

Bob Baker
Council President Pro Tem