

UHRICHSVILLE CITY COUNCIL
Thursday, January 9, 2014

Newly elected Council President Mark Haney called the meeting to order at 7:24 p.m.

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Council Clerk Amy Myers.

ROLL CALL showed the following members present: Mrs. Cottis, Mrs. Davis, Mr. Peterson, Mrs. Mick, Mr. Baker and Mr. Grandison. Let the record show that Mr. Stewart was absent; Mr. Haney said that he spoke to Mr. Stewart and he is resigned effective January 30, 2014; he will send a formal letter.

Swearing In Ceremony: Law Director Brett Hillyer swore in Bill Grandison, Ward 1.

MINUTES: of the last meeting, December 19, 2013, were accepted as presented on a motion by Mrs. Davis; a second by Mr. Peterson; ROLL CALL: Mrs. Mick-yes; Mr. Baker-yes; Mr. Grandison-abstained; Mrs. Davis-yes; Mrs. Cottis-yes; Mr. Peterson-yes.

Bubbles Affolter; Twin City Water & Sewer Rep.; rates for water are increasing by \$4.25; minimum will be \$60.10 per month; Mr. Baker said in the last two years it has went up \$9; Bubbles said the increases have been for ultra violet; 6th & water treatment; Mr. Baker said you are using less chemicals and where is that savings: Bubbles said the water is harder than from the creek but is better. Mrs. Mick said WOW. Mr. Hillyer said we are paying more and more and we still don't have on-line billing; direct bill pay-is the water dept. looking that? Bubbles will check. Mr. Bollon asked if they have looked at updating the infrastructure, there is an ordinance if they repair a water line break they need to replace it. Bubbles will look into it. Mr. Peterson said, since he works at the water department; we were under the impression people wanted water back asap and replacing water lines will take longer. Mr. Bollon said he is looking at long-term, not patching but fixing.

ADMINISTRATIVE REPORTS:

Mayor Culbertson: there will be a Records Commission Meeting January 23 @ 5 in the Mayor's office.

- Council needs to look at council clerk's hours and they are still calling, there is an ordinance that needs changed.
- Received letter from Bachman on paving streets.
- Received an estimate from Abbott Electric on the 6th Street Station, \$935.00.
- You have a copy of an ordinance which covers entire city, please review.
- New canine cruiser will be here tomorrow, 4 year lease.
- He thinks council should consider a 1/4 income tax increase; leaves our senior citizens along; would generate \$208,000 year; which is what we lost from cuts, doesn't think millage will pass; have to be passed by next council and to board of elections by Feb. 5th; we had an Ordinance 2-13 and had the 1st reading last year.
- Wrote up a small scenario and ended in black; \$123,000.
- Bought new cruiser with grant.
- The buildings sold, spoke to architect. The old L&N building will be a sporting goods store.
- Mr. Peterson said he could untable Ordinance 2-13.
A motion to untable Ordinance 2-13 and assign a new number was made by Mr. Peterson, a second by Mrs. Cottis; ROLL CALL: Mrs. Mick-yes; Mr. Baker-yes; Mr. Grandison-yes; Mrs. Davis-yes; Mrs. Cottis-yes; Mr. Peterson-yes.

City Services Director, Mr. Bollon: received a request form the Police Chief to renew the software for the cruisers, \$3040/year out of the general fund.

A motion was made by Mr. Peterson; a second by Mrs. Cottis; ROLL CALL: Mrs. Mick-yes; Mr. Baker-yes; Mr. Grandison-yes; Mrs. Davis-yes; Mrs. Cottis-yes; Mr. Peterson-yes.

- Wants to welcome Mr. Baker and Mr. Grandison.
- The International Property Maintenance Code, please review and will allow us more meat to go after homeowners. We can make owners paint their house.
- Met with Chief of Police to step up process in writing tickets.
- Recycle containers are gone and have received calls; the Mayor was contacted by Staley Communications in putting security cameras; they will pay for equipment which is about \$7500 if we pay for installation \$1500.00.
- Wants to Recognize Deb Tinnillerro; she is one of those behind the scenes unsung heroes.
- Having a department head meeting with police, fire and city services, 1st one.
- Mr. Peterson asked since the recycle bins are gone where can they take it? Mill Township or Dover or New Philadelphia.

Law Director, Mr. Hillyer, met with Mr. Ong regarding the information about the bridges;

- Had met with Council Clerk to discuss the ordinance and have drafted a change; as long as her hours are posted, which they are by appointment only that should work.

Auditor, Jody Dunlap, nothing. Mr. Haney wanted to thank the auditor for the finance reports and asked if she needed a meeting for the budget? She said yes. Mr. Haney said he is working on the new committee's and should have them done by this week.

Treasurer, Susan Peters, nothing.

Correspondence, nothing.

Committee Reports:

Mrs. Cottis; nothing.

Mrs. Davis; nothing.

Mr. Peterson; read the Cemetery Board Report;

- There will be a JEDD meeting, January 17, 2014, their 1st meeting; he isn't sure where yet.

Mrs. Mick; nothing.

Mr. Baker; nothing.

Mr. Grandison; nothing.

Old Business:

Mrs. Cottis; nothing.

Mrs. Davis; nothing.

Mr. Peterson; last weekend he was on vacation and rode with one of the city workers who was plowing snow; he was out in the worst conditions; they do they main roads first then the side roads.

Mrs. Mick; the recycle bins; received 9 calls; I let them know of other options and places to take their recycles; wants to change the reputation of the city and is very dedicated; reviewed other cities and their costs; example Strasburg has Republic Waste and they get blue bins; glad to see recycle bins gone; Mrs. Mick said we have 6 trash companies coming into the city how can we police them; the Mayor said you can't; Mrs. Mick asked can't we change the time of their pick up instead of 4 or 5 in the morning; The Mayor said no.

Mr. Baker; nothing.

Mr. Grandison; nothing.

NEW BUSINESS:

Mrs. Cottis; nothing.

Mrs. Davis; just wanted to thank the service department for taking care of the streets.

Mr. Peterson; just to comment on the trash companies; they service more than 1 city and this will be an ongoing problem.

Mrs. Mick; how do you police this? Mr. Bollon said you can't.

Mr. Baker; nothing.

Mr. Grandison; nothing.

ORDINANCES/RESOLUTIONS:

Second Reading - Ordinance 17-13;

AN ORDINANCE VACATING THE CREEK STREET EASEMENT ARE IN THE CITY OF UHRICHSVILLE, OHIO

Whereas, the Council of the City of Uhrichsville, Ohio has received a petition from residents of Morris Street, through which such residents have requested that the City of Uhrichsville, Ohio vacate its right-of-way running North from Morris Street, between parcel No's: 41-02017-000; and 41-01201-000; into 41-02642-000, know as Creek Street.

Visitors:

- Mrs. Beth Cush; just wanted to make a comment on cleaning up the city; how do you make and 80 year old who doesn't have any money paint their house? Mr. Bollon said that's something we need to look into.
- Mrs. Deb Wenger; just visiting.
- Mr. Rick Timko; In October, 2013 wrote a letter to the police chief and in November wrote a letter to the Mayor and haven't received a response from either one. There was a sexual act in a public alley with no citations and wanted to know why and why wasn't either letter answered. The Mayor said he didn't answer because he didn't feel it needed an answer; Mr. Bollon said you need to discuss this with the police chief.

COMMITTEE ASSIGNMENTS:

- Clerk's Hours; will receive from Mr. Hillyer.
- 1/4 percent; Council Clerk to email everyone a copy of the ordinance.

Meeting adjourned: 8:39 p.m.

Amy L. Myers
Clerk of Council

Mark Haney
President of Council