

UHRICHSVILLE CITY COUNCIL

Thursday, February 27, 2020

Council President Buck Cottrell called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

ROLL CALL showed the following members present: Mr. Zucal-yes; Mr. Baker-yes; Mr. Miller-yes; Mr. Harmon-yes; Ms. Myers-yes; Mr. Huff-yes; Mr. Fox-yes.

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

Council President Buck Cottrell asked for a motion to accept the Storm Sewer Meeting Minutes from February 13, 2020. A motion was made by Ms. Myers, seconded by Mr. Huff. ROLL CALL: Ms. Myers-yes, Mr. Huff-yes; Mr. Fox-yes; Mr. Zucal-yes; Mr. Baker-yes; Mr. Miller-yes; Mr. Harmon-yes.

Council President Buck Cottrell asked for a motion to accept the Council Meeting Minutes from February 13, 2020. A motion was made by Mr. Miller, seconded by Mr. Harmon. ROLL CALL: Mr. Miller-yes; Mr. Harmon-yes; Ms. Myers-yes; Mr. Huff-yes; Mr. Fox-yes; Mr. Zucal-yes; Mr. Baker-yes.

ADMINISTRATIVE REPORTS:

Mayor Mark Haney:

- Absent.

City Services Director Belle Everett:

- Met with the Finance Committee last night and gave worst case scenario prices for repairs to the water park. The water park flooring at the kiddie area (pebbletech) with cost \$38,000.00, which doesn't include removal. She is meeting with George Fisher out of Columbus on Monday and he does different applications.
- Met with Mr. Fox, chair of the Park Committee, at the water park and did a walk through. Mr. Fox reported that repairs needed are cracks in the fiberglass on some of the decking, slides have not had tarps put on over winter, pebbletech is any issue, a couple umbrellas need repair, water issues around the locker area and the water tank need repair. He looked over the contract with Pepsi which has a \$2,000.00 difference from the new one because of signage. He is hoping we can work out something with Pepsi. The cost of the parts to repair the decking is \$4,000.00 and installation is \$15,000.00. The rough estimate to fix those two things, the decking and the pebbletech, is approximately \$60,000.00. The water tank will need to be repaired soon. The fountain motor is fixed. We are looking at moving the pump and getting ahold of Wood Electric so it doesn't break again. Belle will contact Wood Electric for a quote. She would like to do a walk through with Brenda Seibert and Julie Beach at 5:00 p.m. before the park meeting. Mr. Fox invited them to the Park Committee meeting also.
- Tires went to Liberty Tire. West side yard is making progress.
- Durapatch machine is fixed and they have been busy patching.
- Looking at purchasing used ODOT vehicles possibly in April. Most likely a dump truck.
- Been working on complaints with vacant homes and trash and sending letters to tenants and property owners. Have filed some charges and will be going to court.
- The fireman and Chief Beal and Ptl. Gunnish have saved lives this week at Bobby Gray's house fire. She expressed her and the Mayor's appreciation for everything they do.
- Asked Sgt. Hickman to speak about the K-9 unit since there are several new council members. He explained that he started the K-9 unit in 2009, that he trains the dogs at his expense and from donations and the fundraiser that he has, and that the City of Uhrichsville does not provide any

financing for the K-9 unit. He explained what the K-9 unit does, what training is involved and how they are essential to the City. Buck Cottrell presented Sgt. Hickman with a check for \$762.00 on behalf of the Moose as a donation to the K-9 unit.

- Spoke to JJ today and will be looking at properties that the city mows and hoping to start the process to sell those properties.

Law Director James J. Ong:

- Absent.

Auditor, Julie Pearch:

- The bi-annual audit will start Wednesday. The GAAP audit is ongoing.
- Thanked the Finance Committee. We have the appropriations out and it is always a work in progress and there will be amendments.
- Amy has the 2020 financials and she asks for approval.
- Mr. Harmon asked to clarify the \$42,000.00 in contracted services for EMS fund. Asked if it includes three months with Smith Ambulance or if it includes Ohio Billing. It includes both.

Treasurer, Bob Michels:

- Absent.

Correspondence:

- None.

Committee Reports

Mr. Fox – The Park Committee will meet on March 3, 2020 at 6:00 p.m. to discuss water park issues. He will get ahold of Jackie Carpenter and Brenda Seibert and have them there to discuss their issues and concerns. He would like to meet with them for a walk through at 5:00 p.m. prior to the meeting to see some of the issues that are pretty important.

Mr. Huff- Nothing to report.

Ms. Myers- Finance Committee met February 19, 2020 and she emailed the minutes to council. She asked for a motion to approve the minutes from the February 19, 2020 meeting. A motion was made by Mr. Miller, seconded by Mr. Harmon. ROLL CALL: Mr. Miller-yes; Mr. Harmon-yes; Ms. Myers-yes; Mr. Huff-yes; Mr. Fox-yes; Mr. Zucal-yes; Mr. Baker-yes. The Finance Committee also met on February 26, 2020 and the minutes were emailed to Council. A correction was made to the minutes and she asked for a motion to approve the minutes from the February 26, 2020 meeting with corrections. A motion was made by Mr. Harmon, seconded by Mr. Huff. ROLL CALL: Ms. Myers-yes; Mr. Fox-yes; Mr. Huff-yes; Mr. Zucal-yes; Mr. Baker-yes; Mr. Miller-yes; Mr. Harmon-yes. Out of the meeting last night, the committee is approving the budget on an emergency basis. Council received copies of the financial reports for the month ending January, 2020 and they were approved as presented. A motion to approve the cash reconciliation for January, 2020 was made by Mr. Baker, seconded by Ms. Myers. ROLL CALL: Mr. Baker-yes; Ms. Myers-yes; Mr. Miller-yes; Mr. Harmon-yes; Mr. Huff-yes; Mr. Fox-yes; Mr. Zucal-yes.

Mr. Harmon – The Economic Committee will hold a meeting on Monday, March 9, 2020 at 6:00 p.m. in Uhrichsville Council Chambers. The meeting is open to the public.

Mr. Miller – Nothing to report.

Mr. Baker- The Ordinances and Codes Committee met February 20, 2020 at 6:00 p.m. Mr. Baker read the report and asked for a motion to approve the minutes. A motion was made by Ms. Myers, seconded by Mr. Huff. ROLL CALL: Ms. Myers-yes; Mr. Huff-yes; Mr. Fox-yes; Mr. Zucal-yes; Mr. Baker-yes; Mr. Miller-yes; Mr. Harmon-yes.

Mr. Zucal – Nothing to report.

Old Business:

- Mr. Fox – Nothing to report.
- Mr. Huff – Nothing to report.
- Ms. Myers – Nothing to report.
- Mr. Harmon – Nothing to report.
- Mr. Miller – Nothing to report.
- Mr. Baker – Nothing to report.
- Mr. Zucal – Nothing to report.

New Business

- Mr. Fox – Nothing to report.
- Mr. Huff – Thanked our first responders, the Fire Department and the Police Department for the outstanding work they have done thus far this year.
- M. Myers – Nothing to report.
- Mr. Harmon – Thanked the Finance Committee. This is a very good budget, not perfect as no budget is. He is voting yes today on the budget. He thinks the \$45,000.00 on the demolition fund is a huge step in the right direction. We've had discussion after discussion on the severe blight issue we have in the City of Uhrichsville. He truly believes this is a step in the right direction. He thanks the committee for the good work they've done on this budget and plans on supporting it. Chief Edwards advised that the property on the west side, the goal is to do live training on that property.
- Mr. Miller – Nothing to report.
- Mr. Baker – Nothing to report.
- Mr. Zucal – Thanked Amy for chairing the Finance Committee and thanked Julie and feels it went well. He appreciates Eric's passion in correcting some of the blight issues has to be a focus. Together we can get things done.

Visitors:

Chief Edwards – Jade Gibson is in a sports medicine class and is interested in a career in EMS and is shadowing the EMS today. He is planning on doing a presentation from the recent fire, hopefully at the next council meeting. Mr. Fox asked if there were any onboard cameras in the fire truck and Mr. Edwards said there are not, but that is something we can discuss, as far as dashcams, cameras on their helmets, etc. He reported the EMS for so far this month, has had the following backup calls: 14-Uhrichsville, 8 Warwick Township, 3-Dennison, 2-Union Township, 1-Rush Township, 1-Midvale, and 1-Barnhill and 2 standbys for the police department. On social media people do not have the whole picture and feels it is important that they know that two reasonable offers were made to everyone in the region and the fire department was part of both of those. Uhrichsville is not just letting everyone out to dry. That never was the intent. Ms. Myers felt that the Facts that are being shared on Facebook are very helpful.

ORDINANCES/RESOLUTIONS:

ORDINANCE 2-2020

**AN ORDINANCE TO MAKE APPROPRIATIONS FOR THE CURRENT
EXPENSES OF THE CITY OF UHRICHVILLE, STATE OF OHIO,
FOR THE YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 2020**

A motion to suspend the Ordinance was made by Ms. Myers, seconded by Mr. Miller. ROLL CALL: Ms. Myers-yes; Mr. Miller-yes; Mr. Huff-yes; Mr. Fox-yes; Mr. Zucal-yes; Mr. Baker-yes, Mr. Harmon-yes. A

motion to adopt the Ordinance was made by Mr. Baker, seconded by Mr. Huff. ROLL CALL: Mr. Baker-yes; Mr. Huff-yes; Mr. Miller-yes; Mr. Harmon-yes; Ms. Myers-yes; Mr. Fox-yes; Mr. Zucal-yes.

RESOLUTION 1873
A RESOLUTION BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF UHRICHVILLE,
TUSCARAWAS COUNTY, OHIO AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO SIGN ON THE BEHALF OF THE
CITY,
THE AMENDED RENEWAL OF THE PROGRAMMATIC AGREEMENT WITH THE OHIO STATE
HISTORIC PRESERVATION OFFICE
FOR THE ADMINISTRATION OF PROGRAMS USING HUD ALLOCATED FUNDS
WITH DELEGATED REVIEW RESPONSIBILITIES AS AUTHORIZED UNDER 24 CFR PART 58.

A motion to adopt the Resolution was made by Mr. Baker, seconded by Mr. Zucal. ROLL CALL: Mr. Baker-yes; Mr. Zucal-yes; Mr. Miller-yes; Mr. Harmon-yes; Ms. Myers-yes; Mr. Huff-yes; Mr. Fox-yes.

COMMITTEE ASSIGNMENTS:

None

Other Discussions:

President Cottrell thanked everyone for working hard on the budget.

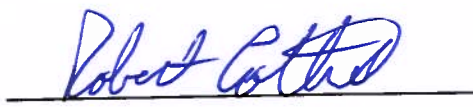
Mr. Baker reminded everyone that Maundy Thursday is April 9 which falls on a regular council meeting night. He suggested everyone look at their calendars and we can discuss moving the meeting.

Ms. Everett reminded everyone that March 17 is election day and that arrangements have been made for all to park at the church parking lot.

Meeting Adjourned at 7:46 p.m.



Trisha Addison
Clerk of Council



Buck Cottrell
Council President