

UHRICHSVILLE CITY COUNCIL
Thursday, April 11, 2019

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

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

ROLL CALL showed the following members present: Mr. Grandison-yes; Mr. Baker-yes; Mr. Miller-yes; Mr. Harmon-yes; Mr. Warner-no; Mr. Cottrell-yes; Mrs. Davis-no. Council President Mark Haney was absent due to work, Mr. Warner was absent due to work, and Mrs. Davis was absent due to a family issue.

Council President Pro Temp Bob Baker asked for a motion to excuse Mr. Haney, Mr. Warner and Mrs. Davis. A motion was made by Mr. Harmon, seconded by Mr. Miller. ROLL CALL: Mr. Harmon-yes; Mr. Miller-yes; Mr. Cottrell-yes; Mr. Grandison-yes; Mr. Baker-yes.

Council President Pro Temp Bob Baker asked for a motion to accept the Council Meeting Minutes from March 28, 2019. A motion was made by Mr. Harmon, seconded by Mr. Miller. ROLL CALL: Mr. Harmon-yes; Mr. Miller-yes; Mr. Cottrell-yes; Mr. Grandison-yes; Mr. Baker-yes.

ADMINISTRATIVE REPORTS:

Mayor Rick Dorland:

- Everyone had a copy of the ODOT Salt Contract for this year and asked that it be passed tonight. It needs to be back to ODOT by noon April 19.
- Entered into an agreement with the County Health Department again this year for mosquito program.
- The concrete slide deck at the Water Park has been poured and has to cure for seven days.
- Yesterday department heads, the Director of City Services and the Mayor met with the representative from the public entity pool. They are the people in charge of insurance for the City. Met for about two hours and it was a very productive meeting. He was very appreciative of all the help that was provided to them. We've taken care of a lot issues brought to our attention last time. There are a few issues to work on this time.
- In regard to the City Building roof bids, pretty sure has been narrowed down to two contractors and waiting on references for one of the contractors before making any decisions.
- A situation has been brought to my attention that at this point I feel compelled to respond. I want my response to be entered into tonight's official council minutes. The President of Council, in his campaign flier that he sent out recently to city residents is accusing me of having secret meetings. Now, don't think for a minute that I'm doing this because he's not here. You all know and I have proven it that I'm not afraid to face my accusers. I'm doing this tonight because he is attempting to influence voters based on a false accusation to get out and vote early. I have never nor will I ever conduct secret meetings. Confidential ones, I sure have. I have had confidential meetings with the Law Director, employees, staffs, citizens of the City, new businesses, and some of you. Buck, at the last meeting during our heated conversation you accused me of having a secret meeting in regards to the drawing up of an Ordinance to rescind the strike breaker Ordinance. At that point and time I wasn't given the opportunity to defend myself or explain what transpired. I'm going to do that now. When we first learned of the strike breaker Ordinance a discussion was held between the Law Director, the Chief of Police, the Director of City Services, the President of Council, and myself about what we were going to do about the strike situation. After discussion back and forth consensus of all involved was: 1. The

City was not going to get involved in the strike, and 2. That JJ was going to draw up an Ordinance to rescind the strike breaker Ordinance and it would then be brought to Council. If this is the main thing, then how this can be labeled a secret meeting is beyond me. If anyone else on Council has evidence of a secret meeting that I'm accused of having, please speak up and I'd be happy to explain that to you too. Even if I did have secret meetings, what benefit or not would it have on any city business? You people control legislation, you people control the money, and so what benefit do I have to have a secret meeting. You know a person way smarter than me told me that I must be a real knucklehead because I can't even keep a secret meeting secret. Think about it. Thank you. I have nothing else.

- Mr. Miller asked the Mayor about over by the post office that is torn up, and Mayor Dorland said it is going to be the parking lot for the new bank, employee parking. There will be a skirt.

City Services Director Joe Bollon:

- Trenton Avenue Bridge project is in full swing and he asks that they tell people to be cautious when they drive. Some people don't give the workers any respect.
- Wardell Road, he met ODOT, Nathan Quicksall and the Mayor with Gary and Dick Hieser, the owners of the property and Nathan is working with the Water Department. We found a drain. We think it is collapsed and they will get their camera and see if they can find out where it is collapsed. It's on Dick Hieser's property. If any problem, he will have to take care of it. We are going to have to get that run off under control before we start working on the road. ODOT deny that, but Dick Hieser has pictures and video and that water did not run like that a year ago, so that's in the process. He sent an e-mail to JJ, Mr. Hieser and Gary Locker, and the Mayor regarding three dates and times to go over the tax abatement. They want further clarification on the tax abatement. It will be scheduled for either the 23rd, 24th, or 25th at their convenience.
- Keep in mind it is motorcycle season and motorcycles are out.
- He forwarded on the Planning and Zoning Committee a letter of intent from Greg Goodrich who wants to rezone his property down off of Main and 11th Street and all information was forwarded to Mr. Harmon.

Law Director James J. Ong:

- Last month was contacted about the request of Dwight Jones for donation of old Starkey junk yard to PHC for grass fields. He said he'd look into competitive bidding. We can't do it the way Dwight Jones is proposing. It has to go through competitive bidding. There is an out to competitive bidding, you can go through the County CIC and ask that it be donated to them and they become the third party and then they can accept bids for it. He's done that in Dennison. The down side is the legal fees that CIC will charge, Jim Carrothers, the attorney for the CIC usually charges about \$2,500.00 to do that. The other way around it, that ground can all be leased to the PHAC and they would have the right to do what they want with written approval. Asked Eric to get ahold of Dwight Johns and ask how he would like to proceed.
- He passed out the travel reimbursement contract and asked that Council take a look at it and wants Julie to take a look at it too. We'll have further discussion. If Council is okay with it, he will put together an Ordinance adopting it.
- Prepared the Medical Marijuana Policy and will meet with Mr. Warner and his committee.
- The Park Levy, there are two Resolutions that need to be passed. The first one is asking for the County to tell us the rates that will be generated by the renewal after they certify those amounts to Council then Council passes a second Resolution to proceed forward if necessary. That will take two meetings to do that. It doesn't have to be filed until sometime in August. He suggested to Julie that we wait until after the primary and then we go from there. The first Resolution doesn't go to the Board of Elections, it goes to the County Auditor He is proposing we consider

that next month, he's prepared it already and will have Julie review all of that and then we should hopefully have everything back by the first May meeting or the next if Council wishes to go forward with that.

- Received a fax from Attorney Brett Hillyer, a petition to vacate an alley which is on Garner Avenue. A portion of that roadway to be vacated and then also for a dedication or 40 foot extension of Boyd Street. There was a lot split and Joe approved that, but then they went to the County and they thought the alley was vacated. They have to petition Council, Council decides if the roadway is needed for public purpose. If not, Council then can pass a second Ordinance saying it can be vacated and the property owners cover all expenses. That will have to be referred to the City Service Director and Street Department to see about that. The request that there be an additional 40 foot dedicated roadway, maybe the County Engineer will have to look at the roadway with the Service Director. He requested that Joe takes a look at it. Barry Williams is requesting. There was further discussion.

Auditor, Julie Pearch:

- Absent.

Treasurer, Bob Michels:

- Absent.

Correspondence:

- Letter from Dominion Energy about rate changes.
- Invitation to Twin City Chamber of Commerce Annual Awards Banquet on April 16.
- Flyer from Great Lakes Community Action Partnership about RCAP Field Days on April 25 and June 13.

Committee Reports

Mrs. Davis – Absent.

Mr. Cottrell- Nothing to report.

Mr. Warner- Absent.

Mr. Harmon – The Economic Development Committee meeting will be rescheduled. The next Parks and Recreation meeting will be held on April 15, 2019 at 6:00 p.m.

Mr. Miller – Nothing to report.

Mr. Baker- The Ambulance Committee met April 1, 2019 at 6:00 p.m. Mr. Baker read the minutes from the meeting and a copy is available upon request.

A motion was made by Mr. Miller, seconded by Mr. Grandison to approve the minutes as presented.

ROLL CALL: Mr. Miller-yes; Mr. Grandison-yes; Mr. Baker-yes; Mr. Harmon-yes; Mr. Cottrell-yes.

Mr. Grandison – Nothing to report.

Old Business:

Mrs. Davis – Absent.

Mr. Cottrell – Nothing to report.

Mr. Warner – Absent.

Mr. Harmon – Nothing to report.

Mr. Miller - Nothing to report.

Mr. Baker – Nothing to report.

Mr. Grandison – Nothing to report.

New Business

Mrs. Davis – Absent.

Mr. Cottrell – Responded to the accusations the Mayor made. If he did say he had a secret meeting he apologized for that. He does remember when he called him unprofessional on the phone with a councilman and when he says that the City should not get involved, you got directly involved, because to him he still believes the law is the law, it goes through, you don't get in there and say you're not going to enforce the law, so he still thinks we should enforce the law and he thinks you put the City right in the middle of it. Thank you.

Mr. Warner – Absent.

Mr. Harmon – Nothing to report.

Mr. Miller – Nothing to report.

Mr. Baker – Reported that for the month of March there were 598 police calls and 45 fire calls. The Ambulance Committee will meet on April 29, 2019 at 6:00 p.m.

Mr. Grandison – Finance Committee will meet on April 24, 2019 at 6:00 p.m.

Visitors:

Chief Beal – Hoped that Council had a chance to review the letters he presented and if anyone has any questions he is available to answer them. He still feels that an Investigator is needed for his department.

Michael Huff – observing

Emma Hicks – observing

Justin Beckley – observing

Alexis Kinsey – observing

Kaci Mizer – observing

Gracie Dunlap – observing

Allison Luyster – observing

Carol Leery – observing

Carol Sommers – observing

Nikita Page – observing

Gabriel Miller - observing

ORDINANCES/RESOLUTIONS:

**RESOLUTION 1855
RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING PARTICIPATION
IN THE ODOT ROAD SALT CONTRACTS IN 2019**

A motion to approve was made by Mr. Grandison, seconded by Mr. Harmon. ROLL CALL: Mr. Baker-yes; Mr. Harmon-yes Mr. Miller-yes; Mr. Cottrell-yes; Mr. Grandison-yes.

COMMITTEE ASSIGNMENTS:

None.

Other Discussions:

Mr. Bollon wanted to clarify that the ODOT Road Salt Contract is the same contract as is renewed every year.

Meeting Adjourned at 7:22 p.m.

Trisha Addison
Clerk of Council

Bob Baker
Council President Pro Temp