

**UHRICHSVILLE CITY COUNCIL**  
**Thursday, September 12, 2019**

Council President Mark Haney 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. Harmon-yes; Mr. Warner-yes; Mr. Cottrell-yes; Mrs. Davis-yes.

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

Council President Mark Haney asked for a motion to accept the Council Meeting Minutes from August 22, 2019. A motion was made by Mr. Harmon, seconded by Mr. Warner. ROLL CALL: Mr. Harmon-yes; Mr. Mr. Warner-yes; Mr. Cottrell-yes; Mrs. Davis-yes; Mr. Grandison-yes; Mr. Baker-yes; Mr. Miller-yes.

The meeting was turned over to Bubbles Affolter for the Twin City Water & Sewer District. She supplied Council with handouts of lists of work completed dated June 20, 2019, July 16, 2019 and August 15, 2019; Financial Statements of May 2019, June 2019 and July 2019; and Minutes of May 16, 2019, June 20, 2019, July 16, 2019 meetings. She reported they will be going into negotiations soon with the Union to come up with a new contract. She also reported rates will be going up in January. They came up with a five year plan and tried to make it as minimal as possible. The first year, 2020, it will go up \$2.00 and the next four years it will go up \$1.00. Rates haven't gone up in some time. It will be for both water and sewer.

**ADMINISTRATIVE REPORTS:**

**Mayor Rick Dorland:**

- We have several areas in town along the curb strips that the roadway is soft. Due to the fact that on trash days, the trash trucks are pulling up along the curb is causing the roadway to hoove up. He met with the Street Superintendent and he suggested contacting Kimble's and see if they would be able to keep the trucks in the middle of the road but that would mean the constituents would have to put their cans off of the curb strip and somewhat in the road. Julie at Kimble's will be putting that in the next billing to request that, if you can do it. It is really taking a toll on the roadways. The service department is having to dig that area up and build the base back up and fill it with asphalt. That will go out in the next billing cycle and hopefully will take care of it.
- Civil Service Exams for the police and fire departments will be given Tuesday, October 1, 2019 at 6:00 p.m. in Council Chambers There are seven people taking the fire test and six taking the police test.
- Trick or Treat will be in conjunction with Dennison on Tuesday, October 29, 2019 from 6:00 to 7:30 p.m.
- Last night Finance Committee, the Auditor and Mayor met with Chief Beal in regard to the Cops Grant application. After a discussion was held, it would be for a three year period and asking Council for authorization to allow Chief Beal to apply for that grant for one officer.
- Mr. Harmon asked if there was a date for paving and he has not heard anything new.
- Mr. Cottrell asked if we have anything with Kimble about what time they can pick up in the morning for commercial. He has had a complaint about Kimble's picking up at 4:00 a.m. JJ said an Ordinance could be drafted to address the issue. After a discussion, Mayor Dorland will call Kimble to request that they pick up commercial properties at 6:00 a.m.

**City Services Director:**

- No report.

**Law Director James J. Ong:**

- Advised Council of the status of the Personnel Policy. We have negotiated policies with the Street Department, Fire Department and Police Department. He suggested we put together an Ordinance officially adopting those. He had some further discussion with Julie in regard to that issue. It looks like we would have Jody, Trish, Debbie and the workers at the Water Park. We would need to put together a policy to discuss that. Bill said we would also need to address the Chiefs. JJ will put something together that will cover that.
- Council is aware we have concerns from the last audit in regard to the Capital Asset Policy. He has put something together and will get it to Julie. They will go over it and if it meets with her approval then he will present an Ordinance to adopt that policy.
- We received notification from the Board of Elections that the Park Renewal Levy has been certified and is on the ballot. Just a reminder that will be an issue to be voted on and he asked for support of the residents for passage of that renewal.
- We've received the renewal of the Public Defender's contract. He recommends that Council pass that by way of Resolution tonight.

**Auditor, Julie Pearch:**

- Nothing to report.

**Treasurer, Bob Michels:**

- Absent.

**Correspondence:**

- Nothing to report.

**Committee Reports**

**Mrs. Davis** – Nothing to report.

**Mr. Cottrell**- Nothing to report.

**Mr. Warner**- Nothing to report.

**Mr. Harmon** – The Parks and Recreation meeting scheduled for September 9, 2019 was cancelled and rescheduled for September 16, 2019 at 6:00 p.m. in Council chambers. The Economic Committee will hold a meeting on Tuesday, September 24, 2019 at 6:00 p.m. in Council chambers to discuss real estate and the Clay Museum lease agreement.

**Mr. Miller** – Nothing to report.

**Mr. Baker**- Nothing to report.

**Mr. Grandison** – Read the Finance Committee Report from the September 11, 2019 meeting and a copy is available upon request. The Finance Committee is recommending that Chief Beal apply for the COPS grant for one officer. The next Finance Committee meeting is September 18, 2019 at 6:00 p.m. and all are welcome to attend.

**Old Business:**

**Mrs. Davis** – Nothing to report.

**Mr. Cottrell** – Nothing to report.

**Mr. Warner** – Nothing to report.

**Mr. Harmon** – Nothing to report.

**Mr. Miller** - Nothing to report.

**Mr. Baker** – Nothing to report.

**Mr. Grandison** – Nothing to report.

### **New Business**

**Mrs. Davis** – Nothing to report.

**Mr. Cottrell** – Uhrichsville Moose is donating over \$800.00 to the K-9 Unit. This Saturday is a Rib Fest at the Moose along with a band. Everyone is welcome. There are five people signed up for the burn off. There is also a membership drive and the membership fee is waived.

**Mr. Warner** – Nothing to report.

**Mr. Harmon** – Nothing to report.

**Mr. Miller** – We have a new bakery in town at 221 E. First Street called Ginger's Bakery. She will be open from 10:30 to 6:00 on Monday through Friday and 10:30 to 1:00 on Saturdays. She would like to have everyone stop. He was there and tried it and it was ok.

**Mr. Baker** – For the month of August there were 50 fire calls and 493 police calls. A full report is available at the Mayor's office.

**Mr. Grandison** – Nothing to report.

### **Visitors:**

Gayle Mick, 6326 S. Water Street – Wanted to discuss the dam and S. Water extension. On the dam, wanted to know what it was going to do with the levels of the water both upstream and down. Mr. Harmon said that from what he was told it won't change. Mr. Haney said the water level will go down. She is concerned about it going down anywhere with all the trash, etc. The late Mr. Al Arthurs was concerned about lines upstream that were going to reach its toll. She watched dam stuff on You Tube. If that goes down very low and that sulfur is running, do we have documentation now from any residents of that smell any of this? Mr. Haney said we've always had sulfur run off, there is no way we are going to stop this. She would like something documented that there is no smell at this time. Asked for the Law Director's comments. He said that is not a project of the City of Uhrichsville, it is the Twin City Water and Sewer's project. She asked if the City of Uhrichsville had applied for a grant and this would affect the residents of the City of Uhrichsville and their property values. Mr. Ong suggested she go to the Water and Sewer meeting next Thursday at 6:00 p.m. Mr. Haney said it is really out of our hands. She asked if we are concerned. She asked Bubbles about the water levels and she didn't know. Mr. Ong said it had been studied by the EPA and they have had an engineer work on the project, and they are ready to move on it and he didn't remember that ever being expressed as a concern to stop the project. People have raised the issue and they have decided to go forward with it. Gayle said the residents that would have to smell this are concerned and she wanted to know if the city was concerned and with trash that might be exposed. She asked if any of the money the water department was receiving would be covering that. Mr. Ong said he didn't believe that was part of the grant. He said you would have to see what was exposed and then deal with that. She said then we're dealing with tires and stuff. Mr. Ong said the EPA has not raised issue with that and they're the ones that wanted the project done.

On South Water street, she wanted it documented that the people up there smell nothing now. Is South Water getting widened or paved? Mayor Dorland said the paving is going from Trenton Avenue to Washington Avenue. It's the same width they are just relocating storm sewers because of the runoff from the hill. The hill is not being taken back any further. Gayle asked any possibility of a tad bit of a ditch. Mayor Dorland will ask Jeff.

Norma Perez, 112 Miller Avenue- It Takes A Village does Trunk or Treat on October 19 at Eastport and McCluskey Park and asked for permission to use the trail to do the haunted trail and the Trunk or Treat in the football field. Mayor Dorland gave permission to use the trail. She said there is a section that needs mowed to use as an exit for kids that don't want to use the trail. The Mayor will get the service department to do it.

Harvey Conway, 415 W. Third Street – Issues with Eastport Avenue. They dropped the curb 7-12 inches from what they were before which is going to drop the sidewalks. As it is presently, the yards slope to the sidewalk. He wants to make sure that their sidewalks and front yards slope to the sidewalks and they don't have a mess. That should be taken care of by the contractor and not the homeowner. Wants to make sure there are curb or spouting grates like there is everywhere else. And he wants to know when he can use his driveway to get into his garage and would like to get into there. They didn't replace one of the streetlights on the corner of Urich and 8<sup>th</sup>, there was a streetlight that wasn't replaced and it's dark. Wants to make sure these issues are addressed before the contractors leave town. Mr. Haney asked if they were daylighting. Mayor Dorland said that it would need to be taken up with the ODOT engineer on site. Downspouts were not part of the project due to the fact that there were quite a few, so no it will not be done that way. The project is not set to end until possibly the spring of 2020. The streetlight, he was made aware of that and hopefully they will get it back in before the project is completed. Mr. Haney said he could probably get back in his garage in the next day or so. The driveways will be done when they do the sidewalks. Bear with us.

Tim Mick, 326 S. Water Street - All of his questions were answered.

Chief Edwards – Mayor sent an email out and requested he come. He was asked to prepare a proposal for EMS services, and it was nearly completed and asked that a meeting be scheduled and gave a handout to Council. Mr. Haney asked the Chief to present this tonight and asked Council to choose a date and wanted everyone at the meeting. September 23 was suggested, but Mayor Dorland would be out of town. September 30 at 6:00 p.m. was suggested and everyone agreed. The first meeting is to be with just us.

Captain Wes Dillon – Over the last 3 or 4 months, they've had six firemen attend Resuscitation Academy. They've been to Cleveland, Columbus and Athens. The idea is paramedics weren't doing a good enough job saving people. They learn the science behind CPR and skills. Will hold CPR events in the community and will bring a program to clubs.

Zach Lynch – observing

Justin Beckley – observing

Nathan Crouse – Attended the class in Columbus. Dr. Miller brought this to our county, and they made the commitment to attend these sessions in persona and he was blown away. They talk a lot about getting out in the community and teaching everyone quality compressions until the paramedics arrive. Go to Resuscitation.com for more info. Purchased CPR mannequins that measure how effective the CPR is.

Chief Beal – Here to answer questions about the Cops Grant. Mr. Grandison recommend that he apply for it.

A motion was made by Mr. Harmon to permit Chief Beal to apply for the Cops Grant for one officer, seconded by Mr. Miller. ROLL CALL: Mr. Harmon-yes; Mr. Miller- yes; Mr. Warner-yes; Mr. Cottrell-yes; Mrs. Davis – yes; Mr. Grandison-yes; Mr. Baker-yes.

#### **ORDINANCES/RESOLUTIONS:**

**RESOLUTION 1865  
AGREEMENT FOR INDIGENT DEFENSE SERVICES  
IN THE TUSCARAWAS COUNTY COURT  
WITH THE PUBLIC DEFENDER**

A motion was made to approve the Resolution by Mr. Grandison, seconded by Mr. Warner. ROLL CALL: Mr. Grandison – yes; Mr. Warner-yes; Mr. Baker- yes; Mr. Miller-yes; Mr. Harmon-yes; Mr. Cottrell-yes; Mrs. Davis- yes.

**COMMITTEE ASSIGNMENTS:**

None.

**Other Discussions:**

Mrs. Davis asked about the Christmas Parade, it is from Uhrichsville to Dennison. She thought it would be cool if the Police and Fire elected officials, and departments come together and do something special and not wait until the last minute.

Meeting Adjourned at 7:45 p.m.

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Trisha Addison  
Clerk of Council

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Mark Haney  
Council President