

UHRICHSVILLE CITY COUNCIL
Thursday, September 26, 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-no; 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 September 12, 2019. A motion was made by Mrs. Davis, seconded by Mr. Miller. ROLL CALL: Mrs. Davis-yes; Mr. Miller-yes; Mr. Grandison-yes; Mr. Baker-yes; Mr. Harmon-yes; Mr. Cottrell-yes.

A motion was made by Mr. Baker to excuse the absence of Mr. Warner, who was tied up at work, seconded by Mrs. Davis. ROLL CALL: Mr. Baker-yes; Mrs. Davis-yes; Mr. Miller-yes; Mr. Harmon-yes; Mr. Cottrell-yes; Mr. Grandison-yes.

ADMINISTRATIVE REPORTS:

Mayor Rick Dorland:

- Absent – on vacation.

City Services Director:

- No report.

Law Director James J. Ong:

- Nothing to report at this time.

Auditor, Julie Pearch:

- Absent.

Treasurer, Bob Michels:

- Absent.

Correspondence:

- Nothing to report.

Committee Reports

Mrs. Davis – Recognition Committee met tonight at 6:30 p.m. Turned it over to Mr. Ong who reported that George Haskins had attended a previous meeting and asked that Romig Street be renamed in honor of James Conway who had been killed in the line of duty in Vietnam. Council is not permitted to consider the request at this point because there is a specific Ohio Revised Code Section that deals with the municipality changing the name of the street and it requires that a petition be filed by someone who owns property either on the street or in the immediate vicinity. It is our understanding that Mr. Haskins is not a property owner on that street or in that area and therefore in the Ohio Revised Code, the City is not able to consider his Petition at this time. If someone from that area files a Petition, but it can be considered. He recommended to the committee that we not move forward and that we notify Mr. Haskins of that fact. Mr. Haney asked if we could put a sign up like ODOT does on the highway. Mr. Ong said we should approach the property owner that lives there and give a heads up. Council is certainly able to erect

something in the right of way area. Mrs. Davis will get ahold of Mr. Haskins and see if he is favor of a recognition sign and report back to Council. If we get to that point Mrs. Davis can have Mr. Galbreath contact someone about making the sign.

Mr. Cottrell- Nothing to report.

Mr. Warner- Absent.

Mr. Harmon – Read the Economic Committee Meeting Report from the September 17, 2019 meeting and a copy is available upon request. Mr. Harmon turned it over to Mr. Ong for further explanation. The Clay Museum is moving from the Main Street property to the Third Street property. We wanted to get together a new lease and the lease that we have drafted for the Clay Museum for the Main Street property, they are going to cover repairs, expenses and Mr. Harmon has brought up previously a \$2,000.00 line item to cover heating and cooling and maintenance repair. Mr. Harmon said he would expect to have at the next meeting legislation to finalize the lease agreements for both the current Clay Museum location and the future Clay Museum. There has been a lot of community pride in the museum and a lot of support and donations. He thinks by passing both lease agreements it will make for a strong partnership between the City and the Clay Museum. We do have a group that currently just maintains a desk in the current Clay Museum. Mr. Ong said they are the Claymont Youth Center, with a couple competing organizations using that name. They have abandoned the building at this point, so the Committee is recommending that the Mayor submit something to Claymont Youth Center that is chaired by Greg Grant that they are to remove their desk. We need to formally acknowledge that they are not part of the lease and ask that they remove the desk. Mr. Harmon said that they have tried to make contact with the group. Mr. Ong said Wendy Zucal did speak to Mr. Grant and he was asked to contact Mr. Ong and he hasn't heard anything, and we need to move forward. Mr. Ong suggested we do that as a motion this evening, that Council send correspondence to the Claymont Youth Center, that they have abandoned the building and they have no rights to occupancy, and to move their sole possession. A motion was made by Mr. Harmon, seconded by Mr. Miller that they Mayor prepare a letter to the Claymont Youth Center. ROLL CALL: Mr. Harmon-yes Mr. Miller-yes; Mr. Cottrell-yes; Mrs. Davis-yes; Mr. Grandison-yes; Mr. Baker-yes.

A motion to approve the Economic Committee meeting report was made by Mr. Harmon, seconded by Mr. Miller. ROLL CALL: Mr. Harmon-yes; Mr. Miller-yes; Mr. Cottrell-yes; Mrs. Davis-yes; Mr. Grandison-yes; Mr. Baker-yes.

Mr. Haney – Reported on the EMS Committee Meeting held September 23, 2019. Uhrichsville Council met on September 23, 2019 in Council chambers for the EMS presentation by the Uhrichsville Fire Department. All of Council was present other than Mr. Warner who had a call out. Mr. Dorland was out of town, but we Skyped him in to have discussion. The meeting was turned over to Chief Edwards to present his two different plans that he had. There were questions and answers. We decided that we would take it under advisement, and we will meet again. We have a lot of things to look at and the next meeting hasn't been scheduled. He's instructed Trish to get with JJ to get a list of all the townships' and villages' personnel to send a letter. Also, Mr. Bob Smith contacted him today and he would like to meet sometime in October to give his presentation. He would also like to have everyone there including the townships and everybody, so he only has to do it once.

A motion was made by Mr. Harmon to approve the EMS Committee Meeting Report with corrections, the correction being on the first question he would like it added that Chief Edwards said no guarantees were possible and he could not predict the future. The motion was seconded by Mr. Miller. ROLL CALL: Mr. Harmon-yes; Mr. Miller-yes; Mr. Cottrell-yes; Mrs. Davis-yes; Mr. Grandison-yes; Mr. Baker-yes.

There was a discussion about the date of the next EMS Committee Meeting with Mr. Bob Smith and the meeting was scheduled for October 28, 2019 at 6:00 p.m. at Council Chambers.

Mr. Miller – Nothing to report.

Mr. Baker- Read the minutes from the Insurance Committee meeting held on September 17, 2019 and a copy is available upon request. The next meeting is scheduled for October 21, 2019 at 6:00 p.m.

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

Mr. Grandison – Read the Finance Committee Report from the September 18, 2019 meeting and a copy is available upon request. Council received copies of the financial reports for the month ending August 2019 and they were approved as presented. The next Finance Committee meeting is October 16, 2019 at 6:00 p.m. and all are welcome to attend. A motion to approve the report was made by Mr. Grandison, seconded by Mr. Baker. ROLL CALL: Mr. Grandison-yes; Mr. Baker-yes; Mr. Miller-yes; Mr. Harmon-yes; Mr. Cottrell-yes; Mrs. Davis-yes.

Old Business:

Mrs. Davis – Checked to make sure that the Trunk or Treat was approved, and it was.

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 – Nothing to report.

Mr. Cottrell – Thanked all that showed up for the Uhrichsville Moose Rib Fest. It was a great turnout and he appreciated all who came.

Mr. Warner – Absent.

Mr. Harmon – Some exciting news. Mike's Barbershop will be opening in January of 2020. Joe Cottis is currently in barber school and will be graduating in December and will be opening the shop in January 2020.

Mr. Haney – The Fire Department has an open house on October 8, 2019 at 6:00 p.m. At the next Council Meeting, Thrasher Engineering will be here to do a presentation at the beginning of the meeting. Erin Bague, formerly of Quicksall & Associates, reached out to do a presentation for Thrasher. Thrasher did some of the work on the Eastport project, for Twin City Water & Sewer and For the Village of Tuscarawas. There was a change order on the Eastport project that he emailed to everyone. They drove through an old storm sewer. It was temporarily fixed and was no one's fault. The yard got covered over and the other day the yard sunk. Luckily the sidewalks were not in yet. He met with three ODOT engineers on site and discussed it and decided while Shelly & Sands were there, have them bring their mini in, connect it to the new system before they put a sidewalk in. Once the sidewalk is in six months from now it would have to be torn up. Jeff met with them the next morning and called him and he sent the email to Council. So far, the project is kind of ahead of schedule and looks really nice. He wishes we would've done that on Phase One. We've had some issues, as billed, basically changing the plans as we go, because there has some been some elevation issues. Other than that, everything's been really good. Jeff Galbreath has had a very good relationship with them, and the Mayor has as well. They are still having some traffic control issues with people trying to drive through at times. Mr. Harmon asked about the finish date and it is still predicted to be Spring of 2020 and they are hoping to have all of the curbing in, sidewalks to be started possibly this week, and some modification to some driveways. They cored for all of the downspouts. Anyone who doesn't have a downspout that goes to the curb, they will run a pipe under the sidewalk and cap it on the other side in your yard. So, in the future if you want to hook in it will be there. He thinks they did one for every house. We are ahead of schedule as long as the weather holds out. We will have everything other than final finish, coat of paving and seeding and mulching left to do in the spring. AEP has been notified that we would like the streetlight put back up. He doesn't know when Dominion is coming back to finish. Mr. Miller asked about street paving and Mr. Haney was told

they were going to be here this week and Jeff was prepared for them and had prepared a lot of streets. The Mayor wants to do a couple more streets, but it will be brought to Council for a decision. If we come in under budget, it will be Council's decision.

Mr. Miller – Nothing to report

Mr. Baker – Nothing to report.

Mr. Grandison – Whoever uses the Council Chambers for meetings needs to clean up after themselves and leave it as it was when they arrived. Mr. Haney said the chambers is for Council use and possibly a memo should go out. Mr. Ong said that the Mayor should become aware of it and should say something to the department heads that they shouldn't be using the facility without prior approval. Mr. Haney will put that in an email.

Visitors:

Barb Colvin, 123 Washington Avenue. Asked if S. Water is going to be paved this year. They are quite tired of it and putting in two catch basins isn't going to work. Mr. Haney said he doesn't disagree with her. The way paving works in this county, we go through the County Engineer's office through a bid process and they go in order and Uhrichsville is usually at the end of it. She said they've been waiting a long time on S. Water and are quite tired of it. Mr. Haney agreed that S. Water Street has been a mess and is a priority. They were supposed to be here this week and it is on the list and will be done this year. The catch basins were put in for that purpose. She's said it gets worse and worse each year. Mr. Haney said it has been looked at and its been years and years of not being taken care of like it should be and we're working on it. Mr. Harmon said he shares her concerns and is glad it is approved for paving.

Shirley Griffin, Johnson Court. She's concerned about traffic at E. First Street and S. Water Street. On days with the food pantry and the church, you can't see out around. She suggests a No Parking sign because you can't see around the parked cars when you are turning left towards Trenton. They are parking on the yellow. Mr. Harmon thought it would be a good idea to notify the Mayor and Police Chief. Mr. Ong suggested the Street Committee take a look at it and talk to the Police Chief about the safety concern and a citation concern as well. People are parking there and should be getting tickets. Ms. Griffin said there is parking elsewhere. Mr. Ong said he will talk to Sherry Fisher and Carl Sowers who do the food pantry. He said they have signs about parking in front of the auto parts store and maybe they will put additional signs in there. Mr. Haney asked Mr. Cottrell and the Safety Health and Services Committee to take a look at it and possibly put a no parking from here to corner sign

Michael Huff, 307 Oak Street. Observing.

ORDINANCES/RESOLUTIONS:

NONE

COMMITTEE ASSIGNMENTS:

Safety Health and Services to look into issue at E. First Street and S. Water Street.

Mrs. Davis will look into a memorial for George Haskins on Romig Street.

Other Discussions:

Council meeting in November falls on Thanksgiving. There was a discussion about changing the date and it was decided to talk about it in October.

Meeting Adjourned at 7:41 p.m.

Trisha Addison
Clerk of Council

Mark Haney
Council President