

UHRICHSVILLE CITY COUNCIL
Thursday, January 24, 2019

Council President Mark Haney 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-yes; Mr. Cottrell-yes; Mrs. Cottis-yes.

Council President Mark Haney asked for a motion to accept the Council Meeting Minutes from January 10, 2019. A motion was made by Mrs. Cottis, seconded by Mr. Harmon. ROLL CALL: Mrs. Cottis-yes; Mr. Harmon-yes; Mr. Grandison-yes; Mr. Baker-yes; Mr. Miller-yes; Mr. Warner-yes; Mr. Cottrell-yes.

ADMINISTRATIVE REPORTS:

Mayor Rick Dorland:

- Sad news, Davis Radiator on N. Water St. Ext. is going out of business. The business and inventory is for sale. They were in business in town for many, many years.
- The new Auto Zone is now open.
- Like to remind residents that the City does have a snow parking ban that goes into effect after 3" or more of snow. From what he's seen, everyone around town did abide by that. In regards to snow removal, our crews were called out at 11:30 p.m. Saturday night and worked until noon on Sunday and did an outstanding job.
- Community Shred Day is scheduled for May 4, 2019 from 10:00 a.m. until noon at the Panhandle Passage Trailhead, which is the old City Auto.
- Community Cleanup Days will be May 14, 2019 through May 17, 2019.
- Mr. Harmon added that our road crews did a very fine job.

City Services Director Joe Bollon:

- Absent.

Law Director James J. Ong:

- He worked with Fire Chief Edwards, Mayor Dorland and Mrs. Pearch in regard to the ongoing issue with EMS services to Midvale. He met with the Solicitor for Midvale on Wednesday. That's in the works and he will report back to Council.
- There is an ongoing case in Franklin County involving the prior insurance carrier. The City has some claims for some reimbursement. There is a lawsuit in Stark County also. The Franklin County Court and Stark County matter has been put on hold, which led to an appeal being filed which will cause the matter to take even longer. He will report back when he has some more info.

Auditor, Julie Pearch:

- The Ordinance that Council has before them tonight was originally done in 2015. In it it stipulated that we are billing calls for EMS calls and it stated that the money should go back into the general fund. She had been putting it back into the EMS fund. It was meant for them to spend on their ambulances and EMS runs, etc. It will be easier to track the money and it will no longer be an issue with the Auditor's office. There is only one line changed from the old ordinance. It now states instead of going into the general fund it will be going to the fire department, which was originally what was intended.

Treasurer, Bob Michels:

- Absent.

Correspondence:

- Received a form from the Ohio Ethics Commission for completion.

Committee Reports

Mrs. Cottis – Nothing to report.

Mr. Cottrell- Nothing to report.

Mr. Warner- Nothing to report.

Mr. Harmon – Economic Development Committee held their first meeting on January 1, 2019. The report was read and a copy is available upon request. The next meeting will be February 5, 2019 at 6:00 p.m.

The Parks and Recreation Committee met on January 17, 2019. The report was read and a copy is available upon request. The next meeting will be January 21, 2019 at 6:00 p.m.

A motion was to approve both reports by Mrs. Cottis, seconded by Mr. Grandison. ROLL CALL: Mrs. Cottis-yes; Mr. Grandison-yes; Mr. Baker-yes; Mr. Miller-yes; Mr. Harmon-yes; Mr. Warner-yes; Mr. Cottrell-yes.

Mr. Miller – Nothing to report.

Mr. Baker- Nothing to report.

Mr. Grandison – Presented minutes from the January 16, 2019 Finance Committee meeting and a copy is available upon request.

Council received copies of the cash reconciliation report and Finance Committee Report for the month ending December 2018. A motion was made by Mr. Grandison, seconded by Mr. Baker to approve the cash reconciliation report as presented. ROLL CALL: Mr. Grandison-yes; Mr. Baker-yes; Mr. Miller-yes; Mr. Harmon-yes; Mr. Warner-yes; Mr. Cottrell-yes; Mrs. Cottis-yes.

The next regular Finance Committee meeting will be February 20, 2019 at 6:00 p.m. and all are welcome to attend.

A Finance Committee meeting to discuss budget was held on January 24, 2019. The report was read and is available upon request. The next scheduled meeting is February 20, 2019 at 6:00 p.m. and all are welcome to attend. A motion was made by Mr. Grandison, seconded by Mrs. Cottis to accept the Finance Committee minutes as presented. ROLL CALL: Mr. Grandison-yes; Mrs. Cottis-yes; Mr. Baker-yes; Mr. Miller-yes; Mr. Harmon-yes; Mr. Warner-yes; Mr. Cottrell-yes.

Old Business:

Mrs. Cottis –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. Cottis – Mrs. Cottis read a letter from herself addressed to President Haney and Council which was her formal notice of resignation from the position of Ward 4 Council for the City of Uhrichsville effective immediately, making her last day of service January 25, 2019. She has resigned to accept a position as Clerk of Union Cemetery. She went on to say that serving the City of Uhrichsville has been a wonderful experience. She wished the City continued growth and success.

Mr. Haney said he tried to talk her out of it and wished her the best of luck. He has already contacted the Board of Elections and made contact to fill her term. Mrs. Cottis has talked with a couple of people, one of which showed some interest. There was a discussion by Council and best wishes from all.

A motion to accept Mrs. Cottis's resignation was made by Mr. Grandison, seconded by Mr. Harmon.

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

Mr. Cottrell – The City did pretty good on cleaning the streets and asked the Mayor to pass that along.

Mr. Warner – The house on Packer Street has been torn down and it looks a lot better and is a lot safer.

Mr. Harmon – Best of luck to Mrs. Cottis in her new role and we will definitely miss her. Congratulations to the Claymont Mock Trial teams for moving on to regional competition. They represent their communities very well and we're happy to see them move on to Akron and wish them well.

Mr. Miller – The road crews did a good job cleaning the roads and asked that the Mayor pass that on.

Mr. Baker – For the entire year of 2018, police calls were 5979, fire calls were 575. Full report is available at Service Director's office.

Mr. Grandison – He told Mrs. Cottis he would miss her. He told Mr. Ong that the Mock Trial team did very well. Mr. Ong reported that out of a possible 14 awards for Claymont, Claymont won 12 awards. The awards include best attorney and best witness. We had three teams advance. There are four teams that advance to regionals in Akron, and three of those were from Claymont and one from Dover.

Visitors:

Tom Duncan – visiting.

Chief Beal – Presented Council a letter with statistics of calls made. His letter also indicated that while he has been in office during the past 30 years, we have only had 3 officers retire, while 2 officers left on disability and 14 officers have resigned. He feels we need to do more to retain our officers. He asked Council to consider hiring a 10th officer. There was comments and discussion from several council members and there was a discussion between Council and Chief Beal. There was discussion about having a detective/investigator. Mr. Haney said Finance is already looking at some things for his department. There was also discussion about the COP program/grant.

Sgt. Hickman – observing.

Captain Dillon – observing.

ORDINANCES/RESOLUTIONS:

**RESOLUTION 1846
A RESOLUTION SETTING THE HOURLY PAY OF VARIOUS
POSITIONS AT THE UHRICHVILLE WATER PARK
FOR THE SUMMER OF 2019**

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

RESOLUTION 1847
A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE FIRE DEPARTMENT TO
DISPOSE OF EXCESS PROPERTY AND EQUIPMENT
VALUED AT AN AMOUNT LESS THAN \$1,000.00

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

ORDINANCE NO. 2-19
AN ORDINANCE AMENDING ORDINANCE NO. 19-15,
AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY
(ORDINANCE ESTABLISHING FIRE SERVICE FEES AND CHARGES)

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

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

RESOLUTION 1845
A RESOLUTION ESTABLISHING ELIGIBILITY FOR
HEALTH CARE INSURANCE COVERAGE FOR
THE CITY SERVICE DIRECTOR

A motion to untable was made by Mrs. Cottis.

A motion to adopt was made by Mr. Grandison, seconded by Mr. Baker. ROLL CALL: Mrs. Cottis-no; Mr. Harmon-no; Mr. Grandison-yes; Mr. Baker-yes; Mr. Miller-yes; Mr. Warner-yes; Mr. Cottrell-no.

COMMITTEE ASSIGNMENTS:

Ordinance 10-91 was assigned to the Ordinance and Codes Committee. Mr. Warner was asked to get with the Law Director and Auditor to make changes to the ordinance.

The Economic Development Committee was asked to look into the COP grant and report back to Council.

Finance Committee was asked to look at the base pay scale for all department employees to see if we need to make adjustments.

Other Discussions:

None.

Meeting Adjourned at 7:34 p.m.

Trisha Addison
Clerk of Council

Mark Haney
Council President