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Minutes

Logan City Council

Regular Meeting

City Council Chambers

7:00 P.M.

August 24, 2021

Guests: President Fred Hawk, Mayor Greg Fraunfelter, City Service Director Bruce Walker, City Auditor Chris Robers, City Treasurer Jen Fickle, Law Director Abby Saving, Deb Tobin (Logan-Hocking Times), Keri Johnson (Logan Daily News), Boz Scalizoni, Baily Simons (HHCC), and Cheryl Sumner

Call to Order: The meeting was called to order by President Fred Hawk at 7:02 p.m. Hawk lead the Pledge of Allegiance and Jim Robinson lead the following prayer.

Roll Call: Present - Mike Berry, Shirley Chapman, Dave Driscoll, Judie Henniger, James Martin, and Jim Robinson. Absent: Ed Tucker.

Jim Robinson made a motion to excuse Councilman Tucker which was seconded by Dave Driscoll. After a voice vote the motion unanimously passed.

Approval of Proceedings: Chapman made a motion to accept the August 10, 2021, minutes as submitted. The motion was seconded by Henniger. After a voice vote the motion unanimously passed.

People Appearing Before Council:

Baily Simons - Although Simons represents the Hocking Hills Chamber of Commerce, she said she was speaking tonight as a resident. She referenced a recent email the mayor had sent to some city personnel regarding the endeavors to bring a DORA to Logan. The mayor had expressed concerns that a weekly DORA event may be too much, ultimately losing its "special event" quality. Simons said she felt the majority of Logan citizens are responsible people and would conduct themselves appropriately for a DORA event. She stated that a weekly event would help downtown businesses more than an occasional one. She suggested there was still "a lot more work to do to help the city," and that "we should all work together."

Cheryl Sumner - Sumner returned to Council, once again complaining about the noise problem emanating from the bar that is sits next to her home. Her frustration was obvious as she reported of extreme noise levels, profanity and profane music impacting her nerves for "hours and hours" every day. "Does my house matter? Nobody makes them be quiet. Is anyone going to make them stop?" She read

ordinances from the Ohio Revised Code regarding noise and cited city ordinances she felt were applicable to her problem. Councilman Robinson told Sumner that the council was a legislative body; there was nothing that they could do. As the zoning inspector, Walker indicated that the police have gone to the bar to investigate.

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However, her home is in a B-2 (business) zoned area. President Hawk suggested Sumner obtain an attorney to help her with this problem.

Boz Scalizoni - Scalizoni cautioned Council that the county's Covid numbers are rising. He said that he had Covid quick tests that he could provide to any resident of the county for free. He could also provide PPE to anyone who needed it.

REPORTS:

Mayor - Fraunfelter informed Council that the ARCAP in-depth, long-term planning report was not yet completed; fine tuning of the numbers was left to be done. He then mentioned HB168, saying the city engineer must now prioritize in order of need paving projects that were for maintenance of state highways within the city limits. He also mentioned the dispersal of funds from an opioid settlement and only 30% is to go to be divided among the impacted districts. Lastly, the mayor mentioned the group "field trip" to Bellefontaine, describing it as "eye opening." He would like to bring Jason to Logan for more information, but it would cost the city \$1500.00/day. There may be investors into the DORA development and may be willing to assist with this cost.

Service Director -Walker provided an update on the Fire Chief's condition, after experiencing a blockage to his heart: he was out of surgery and was expected to remain in the hospital for 5-7 days. Work on the new lift station has also begun.

Auditor - No report

Treasurer - No report

Law Director - No report

Finance - Robinson submitted the minutes from the August 18, 2021 committee meeting. Many things were addressed, most of which will be discussed as the First Reading of new ordinances progressed. The next Finance Committee meeting is scheduled for Monday August 30, 2021, at 7:00 a.m. in Council Chambers.

Public Utilities - No report

Recreation - No report.

Water & Sewer - No Report

Streets & Alleys - No Report

Public Safety - No Report

Planning & Annexation - No Report

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Cemetery & Parks - No Report

Ad Hoc - The next committee meeting will be Wednesday, September 8 at 8:00 a.m.

Reading of Communications - Clerk Carlson explained the information that had been submitted to them from the Zoning Board of Appeals concerning two decisions made involving "substantially similar use" approvals. Chapman inquired about a report from the ZBA president being submitted, explaining that was a required documentation that needed provided. Carlson said she would pass the word to President Mike Robinson so he could submit the report by the next meeting.

LEGISLATION:

Resolution No. 24, 2021

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING DOUG L. DILLION, HOCKING COUNTY ENGINEER, TO PREPARE AND SUBMIT AN APPLICATION TO PARTICIPATE IN THE OHIO PUBLIC WORKS STATE CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM AND/OR LOCAL CONTRACTS REQUIRED, AGREEING TO PAY FIFTY-ONE PERCENT (51%) OF THE COSTS OF SAID INFRASTRUCTURE IMPROVEMENTS, AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY. These funds are for next year's paving. The due date for this agreement had been "bumped up" unexpectedly so the council must act now. Robinson moved to suspend the rule of council to eliminate the second and third reading. This motion was seconded by Driscoll and unanimously passed after a roll call vote. Robinson moved to pass the resolution which was seconded by Driscoll. After a roll call vote the motion passed, all voting yea.

THIRD READING:

None

SECOND READING:

Ordinance No. 50, 2021

AN ORDINANCE APPROPRIATING THE TOTAL SUM OF \$3,250.00 FROM UNAPPROPRIATED MONEY IN THE GENERAL FUND. These funds are needed to renumber the city's individual account numbers to enhance the performance and capabilities of the new accounting system.

Ordinance No. 51, 2021

AN ORDINANCE APPROPRIATING THE SUM OF \$1,250.00 FROM UNAPPROPRIATED MONEY IN THE WATER FUND.

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Ordinance No. 52, 2021

AN ORDINANCE APPROPRIATING THE SUM OF \$1,250.00 FROM UNAPPROPRIATED MONEY IN THE SEWER FUND.

FIRST READING:

Ordinance No. 53, 2021

AN ORDINANCE APPROPRIATING THE TOTAL SUM OF \$36,000.00 FROM UNAPPROPRIATED MONEY IN THE WATER FUND. These funds are for several things connected with the water plant: legal services, the purchase of backfill due to high volume of repair work and to purchase meters and repair parts for meters.

Ordinance No. 54, 2021

AN ORDINANCE APPROPRIATING THE TOTAL SUM OF \$19,275.00 FROM UNAPPROPRIATED MONEY IN THE SEWER FUND. This money is to replace the old broken camera with a more durable and efficient one for use in search of leaks in water lines.

Ordinance No. 55, 2021

AN ORDINANCE APPROPRIATING THE SUM OF \$16,000.00 FROM UNAPPROPRIATED MONEY IN THE RECREATION FUND. This money is needed for recreation employee wages due to the increase in use of the swimming pool. The need for more salary could not be anticipated based on prior pool use. An increase in pool use by the community created an increase in need for employees.

Ordinance No. 56, 2021

AN ORDINANCE APPROPRIATING THE TOTAL SUM OF \$12,780.00 FROM UNAPPROPRIATED MONEY IN THE GENERAL FUND. These funds represents needs of the fire department: equipment testing, new equipment and costs involved in filling the empty lieutenant position.

Ordinance No. 57, 2021

AN ORDINANCE RENAMING A LINE ITEM WITHIN THE STATE HIGHWAY FUND.

Resolution No. 25, 2021

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR AND/OR DIRECTOR OF SERVICES TO ENTER INTO THIS FINAL RESOLUTION WITH THE STATE OF OHIO, DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION TO COMPLETE A PROJECT IDENTIFIED AS PID NO. 91736,

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SAID PROJECT CONSISTS OF RESURFACING, PAVEMENT REPAIR, CURB RAMPS AND PAVE MARKINGS, LYING WITHIN THE CITY OF LOGAN.

Resolution No. 26, 2021

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING MAYOR GREG FRAUNFELTER TO PREPARE AND SUBMIT AN APPLICATION TO PARTICIPATE IN THE OHIO WATER AND WASTEWATER INFRASTRUCTURE GRANT PROGRAM AND TO EXECUTE CONTRACTS AS REQUIRED.

At this point, Fraunfelter mentioned that the city had previously been denied a grant for lead abatement before (and was denied) but they have now been offered a \$1,000,000.00 grant for this purpose. The City's portion would be \$85,000.00, a small amount to pay for that large of a grant, he said. The grant would be used to replace water lines on Front Street. Berry asked if there were other areas that are an issue and Walker responded yes. These locations have been reported to the engineer who will assess and prioritize those in need of replacement.

Lastly, President Hawk informed Council that Logan native General Mike Scaparotti would be receiving an award given by West Point as an outstanding graduate on September 10, 2021. He suggested the mayor create a proclamation to acknowledge this recognition and the mayor said he would do so.

Chapman made a motion to adjourn the meeting which was seconded by Henniger. After a voice vote the motion unanimously carried and the meeting was adjourned at 8:12 p.m.

Merrilee Carlson, Clerk
President

Fred Hawk, Council