

Minutes of Logan City Council Regular Meeting
City Council Chambers 7:00 P.M. February 9, 2021

(Due to the need for Covid-19 related need for social distancing, meetings are held at the Logan-Hocking Middle School Library.)

Guests: Mayor Greg Fraunfelter (arrived at 7:17), Safety-Service Director Bruce Walker, City Auditor Chris Robers, City Treasurer Jen Fickel, City Law Director Abby Saving, Deb Tobin (Logan-Hocking Times)

Call to Order: The meeting was called to order by President Fred Hawk at 7:04 p.m. and led the Pledge of Allegiance with prayer following.

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

Approval of Proceedings: Chapman made a motion to accept the minutes for the January 26, 2021 meeting. The motion was seconded by Henniger. After a voice vote the motion unanimously passed.

People Appearing Before Council:

REPORTS:

Mayor – Fraunfelter briefly described current efforts to utilize an existing tower to expand Broadband in this region. He has a meeting with Spectrum next Wednesday. There should soon be a contract for getting the two Teslas for the police department and there is a possibility of obtaining a grant for the necessary charging station.

Safety Service Director – No report

Auditor - Robers submitted the January Auditor’s Report for approval. Robinson made a motion to accept the report as submitted which was seconded by Driscoll. After a voice vote the motion unanimously passed.

Treasurer – Fickel submitted the January Treasurer’s Report for approval. Robinson made a motion to accept the report as submitted which was seconded by Driscoll. After a voice vote the motion unanimously passed.

Finance – Robinson submitted the minutes for the February 1, 2021 meeting. Most of the meeting was spent discussing zoning fees. Many changes are needed; much of the current policy is antiquated. The committee will prepare new policy and later submit for Council’s approval. Law Director Saving mentioned that the City zoning map needed to be regularly updated as changes are made and the fee for this should be paid by those making the zoning request. Robinson also mentioned there was a request for new soccer goals and unused funds designated for reparations to the

Mingo Park restrooms could be renamed for the goals. Police Chief Mellinger reported delays in funding at the USDA have created a problem with up-fitting the new city vehicles. Robinson inquired if the city could pay for the up-fits and get reimbursed. After discussion, Robinson made a motion to transfer \$16,000 from the vehicle lease line item and appropriate an additional \$10,000 from unappropriated in order to up-fit the two Tesla cruisers now. After a second by Tucker the motion unanimously carried. The next meeting was set for Tuesday, February 16, 2021 at 8:00 a.m. in Council Chambers.

Law Director – No report

Public Utilities – No report

Recreation – No report

Water and Sewer – Berry submitted the minutes for the February 2, 2021 meeting. Berry said that the definitions of commercial, residential and industrial water and sewer customers were not well defined which causes billing problems. Also, certain issues and language were omitted or not addressed in Ordinance No. 85, 2020 concerning fee revisions for water and sewer capacity fees and usage fees for new construction. A 25% surcharge on out of city customers for fees and fire protection connections was suggested.

Public Safety - No report

Planning and Annexation – No report

Cemetery and Parks Committees - None

Streets and Alleys – Henniger submitted the minutes for the February 9, 2021 meeting. The Logan-Hocking County Library was making a request that the alley that lies directly behind the library on the north side be made one-way between Orchard Street and Walnut Street (East to West). This will enable the library to more safely provide curbside service to customers. She also requested three parking spaces on the east side of the library to be designated for curbside service. Members also continued to develop policy for future street vacations.

Reading of Communications – None

LEGISLATION:

EMERGENCY:

Ordinance No. 9, 2021

AN ORDINANCE CREATING A NEW LINE ITEM WITHIN THE CAPITAL

IMPROVEMENT FUND AND APPROPRIATING FROM UNAPPROPRIATED MONEY IN THE CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT FUND THE SUM OF \$10,000.00 TO THE NEWLY CREATED LINE ITEM AND TRANSFERRING \$16,000.00 WITHIN THE CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT FUND TO THE NEWLY CREATED LINE ITEM, AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY. Robinson moved to suspend the rule of council to eliminate the second and third reading. This motion was seconded by Chapman and unanimously passed after a roll call vote. Robinson moved to pass the ordinance which was seconded by Chapman. After a roll call vote the motion passed, all voting yea.

Resolution No. 7, 2021

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING A PARTICIPATION IN THE ODOT ROAD SALT CONTRACTS AWARDED IN 2020, AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY. Chapman moved to suspend the rule of council to eliminate the second and third reading. This motion was seconded by Tucker and unanimously passed after a roll call vote. Tucker moved to pass the ordinance which was seconded by Driscoll. After a roll call vote the motion passed, all voting yea.

THIRD READING

Ordinance No. 2, 2021

AN ORDINANCE VACATING A PORTION OF CANAL ALLEY IN THE CITY OF LOGAN, PUSUANT TO THE PUBLIC NOTICE REQUIREMENT SET FORTH IN SECTION 723.07 OF THE OHIO REVISED CODE. Driscoll moved to pass the ordinance which was seconded by Henniger. After a roll call vote the motion passed, all voting yea.

Ordinance No. 3, 2021

AN ORDINANCE VACATING A PORTION OF CROSS STREET IN THE CITY OF LOGAN, PURSUANT TO THE PUBLIC NOTICE REQUIREMENT SET FORTH IN SECTION 723.07 OF THE OHIO REVISED CODE. Henniger moved to pass the ordinance which was seconded by Robinson. After a roll call vote the motion passed, all voting yea.

Ordinance No. 4, 2021

AN ORDINANCE APPROPRIATING THE SUM OF \$25,000.00 FROM UNAPPROPRIATED MONEY IN THE WATER FUND. Robinson moved to pass the ordinance which was seconded by Driscoll. After a roll call vote the motion passed, all voting yea.

Resolution No. 3, 2021

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR AND/OR SERVICE DIRECTOR OF THE CITY OF LOGAN TO ENTER INTO THE ENTERPRISE FLEET MANAGEMENT LEASE

AGREEMENTS FOR THREE (3) POLICE VEHICLES. Driscoll moved to pass the resolution which was seconded by Tucker. After a roll call vote the motion passed, all voting yea.

SECOND READING:

Ordinance No. 7, 2021

AN ORDINANCE APPROPRIATING THE TOTAL SUM OF \$5,274.00 FROM UNAPPROPRIATED MONEY IN THE GENERAL FUND. This money is necessary to cover increases in insurance costs.

Ordinance No. 8, 2021

AN ORDINANCE APPROPRIATING THE SUM OF \$360.00 FROM UNAPPROPRIATED MONEY IN THE WATER FUND. This covers an insurance increase for the new water plant.

Ordinance No. 4, 2021

A RESOLUTION CERTIFYING PAYMENT, BY THE LOGAN CITY AUDITOR, OF AN EXPENSE INCURRED IN 2020 TOTALING \$211.19, WHICH REQUIRES PAYMENT FROM THE 2021 BUDGET.

Resolution No. 5, 2021

A RESOLUTION CERTIFYING PAYMENT, BY THE LOGAN CITY AUDITOR, OF AN EXPENSE INCURRED IN 2020 TOTALING \$1,775.00, WHICH REQUIRES PAYMENT FROM THE 2021 BUDGET.

Resolution No. 6, 2021

A RESOLUTION CERTIFYING PAYMENT, BY THE LOGAN CITY AUDITOR, OF AN EXPENSE INCURRED IN 2020 TOTALING \$260.46, WHICH REQUIRES PAYMENT FROM THE 2021 BUDGET.

FIRST READING:

Ordinance No. 10, 2021

AN ORDINANCE APPROPRIATING THE SUM OF \$45,000.00 FROM UNAPPROPRIATED MONEY IN THE SEWER FUND. Robinson explained this is money needed for sewer repair on Poplar and North Wood Streets. At this point Berry inquired if anyone had investigated the need for a performance bond. Robinson said the company being used was a bonded company but Berry expressed a bond had to be specific to each project. Tucker inquired if that implied every

single project done should be bonded and Chapman said “Yes, it is best, and it isn’t that expensive.” Extensive discussion followed between council members if it was necessary to get performance bonds per project if the company itself was bonded. Chapman and Berry being concerned that with every project that isn’t bonded the city takes a risk of being liable if the project isn’t completed successfully. Berry asked since this topic had been brought up before, would Council, Law Director Saving and Walker investigate this issue more fully, see what other cities are doing and they agreed that they would before the next meeting.

Ordinance No. 11, 2921

AN ORDINANCE CREATING A NEW LINE ITEM WITHIN THE GENERAL FUND AND APPROPRIATING FROM UNAPPROPRIATED MONEY IN THE GENERAL FUND THE SUM OF \$1,000.00 TO THE NEWLY CREATED LINE ITEM. This money has been requested by Code Enforcement Officer Posey to provide nutrition and hydration for juveniles engaged in community service work.

Resolution No. 8, 2021

A RESOLUTION RENAMING A LINE ITEM WITHIN THE CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT FUND. This resolution is to utilize unused funds previously designated for rest room repairs to be repurposed for new soccer goals.

Resolution No. 9, 2921

A RESOLUTION CERTIFYING PAYMENT, BY THE LOGAN CITY AUDITOR, OF AN EXPENSE INCURRED IN 2020 TOTALING \$164.30, WHICH REQUIRES PAYMENT FROM THE 2021 BUDGET.

With nothing else on the agenda, Driscoll moved to adjourn the meeting, which was seconded by Tucker. After a voice vote the motion unanimously passed. The meeting adjourned at 7:50 p.m.

Merrilee Carlson, Clerk

Fred Hawk, Council President