

CITY OF HARRISON
COUNCIL MINUTES
6 FEBRUARY 2018

Prior to the meeting, The Pledge of Allegiance was said. Ryan Grubbs offered the invocation.

The meeting opened with Roll Call at 7:33 pm.

Council met in regular session with Mayor Bill Neyer presiding. Members present included: Mrs. Cindy Abrams, Mr. Ethan Dole, Mr. Urbano Galindo, Mr. Ryan Grubbs, Mr. Hank Menninger, Mr. Mark Louis, and Mr. Mike Mains. Mr. Bill Deters, the Law Director was also in attendance.

Mr. Menninger made a motion, seconded by Mr. Dole to approve the Council meeting minutes for January 16, 2018. **Roll Call: Menninger, Louis, Dole, Mains and Galindo – yea. Abrams, Grubbs –abstained.**

Mr. Menninger made a motion, seconded by Mr. Dole to approve the Executive Session meeting minutes for January 16, 2018. **Roll Call: Menninger, Louis, Dole, Mains and Galindo – yea. Abrams, Grubbs –abstained.**

Mr. Grubbs made a motion, seconded by Mr. Mains to approve the Purchase Orders. **Roll Call: All – yea.**

Invited Guests & Visitors:

Jim Kinnett was not in attendance.

Mr. Shannon Hammons introduced Mr. Brian MacMurdo from the Greater Harrison Rotary Club instead of Jamie Johnson to speak about “A Day of Service” which will be held on September 15th, 2018. The Rotary Club is hoping to unite the area in community service. They are asking for the Council’s support and help with advertising the event. There is a planning meeting for this on February 7th at the Coffee Peddler at 6pm.

Business:

Mr. Menninger made a motion to Request a hearing by the Ohio Division of Liquor Control for Jax Investments III LLC, 1195 Stone Drive. This company is no longer interested in purchasing the property at 1195 Stone Drive. Since Council does not know how many liquor licenses are available the Law Committee determined it is best to request the hearing so Jax Investments III can either withdraw or the find another location for the license. Mrs. Abrams seconded the motion. **Roll Call: All – yea.** Paperwork will be submitted and everyone will be notified of the date of the hearing.

Mr. Grubbs made a motion to approve an Ordinance Designating the Harrison Community Improvement Corporation as an Agency of the City and Authorizing Execution of an Agreement with the Agency. Mrs. Abrams seconded. **Roll Call: All – yea. (Ordinance #1-2018)**

Mayor's Report

Mayor Neyer said two new things will be spurring economic development in the City. One is the development of the CIC (Community Improvement Corporation) and the other is the grants available for the District. These are good tools for developing the City for the future.

Law Director

Mr. Deters had no report.

Council – Committee Reports

Mrs. Abrams

Economic Development: Mrs. Abrams reported that Economic Development met this evening. Discussion is continuing with a small NC company considering locating in Harrison. A new studier temporary Dunkin Donuts entry sign has been installed. It will be replaced with a permanent sign when the corner of Progress Way is developed. Wendy's remodeled dining room will be opening this week. NAPA has moved across the street from its former location. Steel is being erected for St. John's new church. The creation of a CIC will enable the new non-profit corporation to act on behalf of the City for economic development deals to move at a faster pace. Six downtown property owners put in applications for the Revolving Loan Fund for mostly façade improvements. These will go to the county by February 9th. Economic Development's next meeting is March 6th at 6pm.

Recreation Committee: Mrs. Abrams reported that Recreation met in January, and the City's Easter Events will be March 31st. A pancake breakfast by the Boy Scout Troop 408 will start at 8am, games start at 10am, and the Egg Hunt will be at 11am. Thank you to Legacy Church for partnering with the City on this. The Summer Concert Series schedule has been set and it will begin on June 12th with the Menus. A thank you goes to FCN Bank for the \$5000 donation for these concerts. Field Assignments were made on January 29th. The District's Food Truck Rally will be May 19th. Recreation's next meeting is February 15th at 7pm.

Social Media Committee: Stay tuned for pictures to be posted from the next City Council Ride Along Program. The next Chamber of Commerce After Hours meeting is February 12th from 5-7pm at Market Street Grille. On March 7th The movie Dinkheller, which is about officer involved shootings, will be shown at the Activity Center at 7pm.

Mr. Menninger

Law Committee: The Law Committee met this evening. The status of the Master Plan was discussed. Council should get a copy of the first draft of the plan soon. Pending litigation was discussed in executive session. More information about this will be presented in the future.

ICRC: ICRC had their meeting January 25th. They typically meet quarterly. Mr. Menninger is the Harrison Representative. There were some changes to their board.

OKI: OKI will meet on February 8th.

Mr. Grubbs

Mr. Grubbs did not have any committee reports.

Mr. Louis

Police Committee: There will be a Civil Service Test on March 3rd for Entry level Police Officers. Applications must be in by February 16th. The testing fee is \$15 in cash only. The next meeting is February 20th at 6pm.

Mr. Dole

Streets Committee: Streets, Utilities and Stormwater Committees met this evening. A grant/loan combination for reconstruction of North Hill Street was approved. Work will begin soon.

The Parks of Whitewater HOA has requested another stop sign/yield sign and that will be going to JMA for recommendations.

Utilities Committee: Maintenance is going on. Sand filters were replaced at the water plant and UV bulbs for disinfection were put in at the sewer plant. Two proposals were approved this evening. One for GIS locating services to update and digitalize the sewer

and water lines on the map, and the other was for design services for extension of sewer lines. There will be a 5% increase on the water portion only of the City's Utility bills starting with the February bill which customers will get in March. There will not be an increase to the sewer portion of the bill. The Utilities Master Plan had a scheduled 5% increase for each year from 2013 through 2018; however, there was not an increase in 2017. The increase at this time will go to help fund the water softening project. The City is also applying for a Grant from the Ohio Public Works Commission to help with the softening project.

Stormwater Committee: The storm sewer on Biddle Avenue will be repaired beginning in March. It will be performed in house.

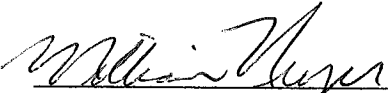
Mr. Mains

IT Committee: The Information Technology Committee met this evening, and they are reviewing the provider for the City website. They are also auditing the City's internet and telecomm service provider.

Mr. Galindo

Civil Defense and Safety Committee: The January 27th Mitigation Planning Meeting was well attended. There was a lot of brainstorming about the use of infrastructure especially with the new schools that will be built.

There being no further business, Mr. Galindo made a motion, seconded by Mr. Dole to adjourn the meeting. **Roll Call: All – yea.**



William Neyer, Mayor

ATTEST:



Risa Dole, Clerk