

CITY OF HARRISON

COUNCIL MINUTES

19 JUNE 2018

*Prior to the meeting, the Pledge of Allegiance was said. Pastor Joshua Long of the First Presbyterian Church offered the invocation.*

The meeting opened with Roll Call at 7:36 pm.

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

Mrs. Abrams made a motion, seconded by Mr. Menninger to approve the Council Meeting minutes for June 5, 2018. **Roll Call: Dole, Mains, Abrams, Menninger, Louis – yea. Grubbs – abstained** (was not at meeting).

Mr. Dole made a motion, seconded by Mr. Menninger to approve the Executive Meeting minutes for June 5, 2018. **Roll Call: Dole, Mains, Abrams, Menninger, Louis – yea. Grubbs – abstained** (was not at meeting).

There were no Invited Guests & Visitors.

Council agreed to not request a hearing by the Ohio Division of Liquor Control on issuing a new liquor license for United Dairy Farmers 10450 New Haven Road.

Mr. Grubbs made a motion, seconded by Mr. Mains to approve a Resolution for the City of Harrison to Transfer Property at 112 North Walnut St. to the City of Harrison Community Improvement Corporation. There will be no sales proceeds or rental income split between the City and the CIC, but up to \$3000 will be reimbursed for any repairs made to the building to the Utilities Department from the sale or rental of the building. **Roll Call: All – yea. (Resolution #9-2018)**

Mr. Grubbs made a motion, seconded by Mr. Dole to approve an Ordinance to Implement the City of Harrison Planning Commission's Recommendation to Modify the Downtown Redevelopment Districts Moratorium. This change would allow an existing business to move locations. There was much discussion on this with Mr. Hamons, Director of Zoning and the person it would affect speaking. **Roll Call: Abrams – no, Menninger – no, Grubbs – yea, Louis – yea, Dole – yea, Mains - yea. Ordinance passed 4 to 2 (Ordinance #15-2018)**

Mr. Grubbs made a motion, seconded by Mr. Dole to set a public hearing on July 17<sup>th</sup> at 7:00pm for Changes Recommended by the City of Harrison Planning Commission to Chapter 1147 Supplemental District Regulations. **Roll Call: All – yea.**

Mr. Grubbs made a motion, seconded by Mr. Menninger to set a public hearing on July 17<sup>th</sup> at 7:15pm for Changes Recommended by the City of Harrison Planning Commission to Chapter 1143.07 B-1 DRD. **Roll Call: All – yea.**

Mr. Grubbs made a motion, seconded by Mr. Dole to approve Ordinances to Levy a Special Assessment on the property located at \_\_\_\_\_ for the Total Cost of Nuisance Abatement, and Removal/Repair of Unsafe Conditions. **Roll Call: All – yea.**  
**(Ordinance #16-2018, 327 ½ N. Washington St.), (Ordinance #17-2018, 99 Campbell Rd.), (Ordinance #18-2018, 204 N. Vine St.), (Ordinance #19-2018, 411 E. Broadway St.), (Ordinance #20-2018, 307 Weathervane), (Ordinance #21-2018, 206 Circle Dr.)**

Mr. Menninger made a motion, seconded by Mr. Mains to table approval of an Ordinance Setting Compensation Rates for Directors and Other Non-Bargained Positions. **Roll Call: All – yea.**

Mr. Roger Essen addressed Council to again ask for pickleball courts for the Community Center Grounds. The Building and Lands Committee is working on this with Harrison Township.

Mr. Grubbs made a motion, seconded by Mr. Louis to add 2 items to the agenda. One regarding the withdrawal of a request for a liquor license hearing and the other to ask for a special Council meeting. **Roll Call: All – yea.**

Mr. Grubbs made a motion, seconded by Mr. Menninger to withdraw the request for a hearing for a new liquor license for Kymmí's Kountry Krafts and Candle Boutique dba the Tropics. **Roll Call: All – yea.**

Mr. Grubbs made a motion, seconded by Mr. Louis to have a Special Council Meeting to approve an Ordinance authorizing an agreement between the City and the Hamilton County Board of Commissioners relative to the improvements of Harrison Avenue on July 10<sup>th</sup> at 6:30pm. **Roll Call: All – yea.**

### **Mayor's Report**

Mayor Neyer announced that the summer will be busy as the City is entering the

budgeting process. He was also pleased with the healthy discussion Council had over modifying the DRD Moratorium.

Mr. Grubbs made a motion, seconded by Mrs. Abrams to add another item to the agenda concerning the Special meeting. **Roll Call: All – yea.**

Mr. Grubbs made a motion, seconded by Mr. Menninger to also discuss and take any action on the proposed 2019 Tax Budget for the City that will be presented to Hamilton County. **Roll Call: All – yea.**

Mr. Grubbs made a motion, seconded by Mr. Louis to go into Executive Session after the Council Meeting to discuss employee performance. **Roll Call: All – yea.**

**Law Director**

Mr. Deters had no report.

**Council – Committee Reports**

**Mrs. Abrams**

**Recreation Committee:**

Mrs. Abrams reported that the June 10<sup>th</sup> Pet Festival was rained out and will be rescheduled for August 19<sup>th</sup> at the Community Center from 1-6pm. The first Summer Concert Series was a success and thank you to FCN Bank for making it possible. The next one is June 26<sup>th</sup> with the Danny Frazier Band at 7pm. The first Summer Movie night was also a success. June 29<sup>th</sup> will be the next one. The next Music on the Avenue is July 11<sup>th</sup> at 7pm with Dangerous Jim and the Slims Band playing at 200 Harrison Avenue.

The next Recreation meeting is July 11<sup>th</sup> at 7pm.

**Mr. Menninger**

**Fire Committee:** The Fire Committee met this evening and Mr. Menninger reported that monthly reports were given by the Chief. The med-account is over budget. Fire runs and EMS runs are both up from last year. The Fire Department master plan draft has been submitted. A meeting to discuss this will be scheduled soon. Chief Hursong is on the Committee looking over Ohio House Bill 226 dealing with fireworks. The annual Fire Appreciation Dinner is scheduled for September 29<sup>th</sup>. The next Fire Committee Meeting will be July 17<sup>th</sup> at 6:30pm.

**OKI:** Mr. Menninger checked out the debris in the river by the Jamison Bridge with

both the Fire and Police Chiefs. They are looking at ways to work with Indiana and eliminate this.

Law Committee: The Committee did not meet but Mr. Menninger reported that golf cart legislation for the City will be looked at soon. There are also several items that are being dealt with at the State level such as voter registration being revoked if no votes for 3 elections, small wireless facilities, urban blight, online travel agencies not paying sales tax that could affect the City in the future.

#### Mr. Grubbs

Budget & Finance Committee: Mr. Grubbs reported the Finance Committee met this evening. The Committee is going with Horan for supplement insurance. Health insurance quotes are coming in around 15% higher than last year. They also discussed moving income taxes from RITA to in house.

#### Mr. Louis

Negotiations: Mr. Louis said the City will be meeting with the FOP tomorrow and the Firefighters next week to begin discussions.

Police Committee: Mr. Louis reported the Police Committee met this evening. On the Traffic Crash Analysis there were 40 accidents in the City in May. 960 pounds of dropped off unused prescription medicines were taken to the DEA incinerator. A statistical review comparison of crimes shows most areas were down from last year. Drug overdoses are also down half from last year. Lemonade for Law Enforcement raised \$1765.00 for The Shield Inc. The next Police Committee Meeting will be July 17th at 6pm.

#### Mr. Dole

Mr. Dole reported that Planning Commission met on June 12<sup>th</sup> with public hearings for both zoning code changes that were recommended tonight. They also discussed modifying the Moratorium for the business that wants to move to 104 Harrison. The next Planning Commission Meeting will be July 10th at 7:30pm, and the next Street/Utilities and Storm water Committee Meeting will be July 3rd at 6pm.

#### Mr. Mains

Mr. Mains reported that Caroline Duffy of Tristate Trails will be coming to the next street meeting to discuss green space and how to get grants.

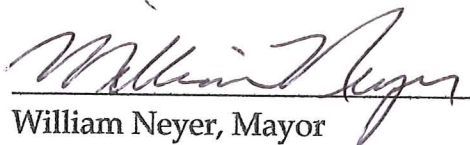
Environmental & Solid Waste Committee: Mr. Mains reported yard waste drop off is June 30<sup>th</sup> from 9-2 on Industrial Drive.

Tree Board: Mr. Mains was at the Motocross Track and Willow Park today with Gail Chuck and Ohio DNR rep, Wendy Van Buren, to brainstorm on projects for Make a Difference Day. Tree Board's next meeting is June 26<sup>th</sup> at 7pm.


The next Information Technology meeting is July 3<sup>rd</sup> at 5:40pm.

The Family Fun Run on July 4<sup>th</sup> will have registration at 8am and the race begins at 9am. There is also online registration.

There being no further business Council went into Executive Session.

  
William Neyer, Mayor

ATTEST:

  
Risa Dole, Clerk