

 APPROVED

**URBANA CITY COUNCIL  
REGULAR SESSION MEETING  
TUESDAY, JANUARY 16, 2018, AT 6:00 p.m.**

President Marty Hess called the regular session meeting of the Urbana City Council to order at 6:06 p.m. City staff attending: Mayor Bill Bean, Director of Law Mark Feinstein, Community Development Director Doug Crabill, and Police Chief Matt Lingrell.

**PRESIDENT CALLED ROLL:** Ray Piper, present; Tony Pena, present; Pat Thackery, present; Cledis Scott, present; Dwight Paul, absent; Doug Hoffman, present; and Gene Fields, present.

President Hess led those present in the Pledge of Allegiance.

**MINUTES** of the Regular Session Meeting Minutes of January 2, 2018. Mr. Thackery moved for the approval of said minutes and Mr. Fields seconded. Voice vote on approval: all ayes, nays, none. Motion passes 6-0.

**ADDITION**

As stated in January 2, 2018, meeting, Clerk of Council, Amy Deere, will receive a 1.25% increase as of January 1, 2018. Although stated in the meeting, this fact was not reflected in the previous minutes.

**COMMUNICATIONS**

1. Board of Zoning Appeals Meeting Minutes of 11-13-17.
2. Letter from Whitt-Sturtevant, LLP, regarding Vectren Energy Delivery of Ohio, Inc.'s intent to file an application relating to its gas service with the Public Utilities Commission of Ohio.

Mr. Fields moved to accept all of the communications. Mr. Scott seconded. Voice vote on approval: all ayes, nays, none. Motion passes 6-0.

**ADMINISTRATIVE REPORTS – BOARD OF CONTROL**

**1. Susan Tehan - \$13,710.00**

Mr. Thackery moved to put this item on the floor for discussion and possible passage. Mr. Pena seconded.

Mr. Feinstein stated that this base pay remains the same from last year only the commission is increased by 1%.

Voice vote on approval: all ayes, nays, none.  
Motion passes 7-0.

**2. Hull & Associates - \$12,615.06 (Capital Improvement)**

Mr. Hoffman moved to put this item on the floor for discussion and possible passage. Mr. Pena seconded.

Mr. Feinstein stated that Hull & Associates were audited and it was during that process that it was found that they never invoiced the City for this service.

Voice vote on approval: all ayes, nays, none.  
Motion passes 6-0.

**ORDINANCES AND RESOLUTIONS:**

**Third Reading –**

**ORDINANCE NO. 4488-17**

AN ORDINANCE MODIFYING SECTION 505.01(a) OF THE CODIFIED ORDINANCES OF URBAN, OHIO TO DEFINE “ANIMAL” AS ANY MEMBER OF A SPECIES OF THE ANIMAL KINGDOM, DOMESTICATED AND WILD, MALE AND FEMALE, SINGULAR AND PLURAL. EXCEPT POULTRY AND THOSE LISTED IN (B) AND (C) HEREIN, AND FURTHER TO ADD A DEFINITION OF “KEEP”, AS USED IN 505.08 OF THE CODIFIED ORDINANCES OF URBANA, OHIO, AS MEANING “TO EXERT CONTROL OVER ANY ANIMAL INCLUDING, WITHOUT LIMITATION, TEMPORARILY OR INDEFINITELY HOUSING, CARING FOR, FEEDING, ATTRACTING BY ANY MEANS, PROVIDING WAER FOR, AND/OR SHELTERING THE ANIMAL.” (Tabled at last meeting and Council member who tabled (Mr. Thackery) shall move to return the legislation to the business floor for discussion)

Mr. Thackery moved to take this Ordinance off of the table. Mr. Scott seconded. Voice vote on approval: all ayes, nays, none.

Motion passes 6-0.

Mr. Thackery moved to put this Ordinance on the floor for discussion and possible passage. Mr. Hoffman seconded.

President Hess called for a roll call for passage: Mr. Fields, no; Mr. Hoffman, no; Mr. Scott, no; Mr. Thackery, no; Mr. Pena, no; and Mr. Piper, no.

Ordinance fails 0-6.

President Hess stated that a committee would be formed regarding this issue and now there is no time limit, so this issue could be looked into more deeply. He added that only 3 members of Council could be on this committee, but he advised all interested parties to either get with their Councilman, or give their information to the Clerk, Amy Deere. He added that a decision on who would be on the committee should be issued around the middle to end of February, 2018, and he stated that the chosen people to be on the committee would be contacted.

**Second Reading –**

**ORDINANCE NO. 4439-18**

AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE DIRECTOR OF ADMINISTRATION TO ENTER INTO AN INDIGENT DEFENSE AGREEMENT WITH THE CHAMPAIGN COUNTY COMMISSIONERS TO ALLOW THE CITY TO RECEIVE PARTIAL REIMBURSEMENT FROM THE OHIO PUBLIC DEFENDER COMMISSION FOR INDIGENT DEFENSE EXPENSE IN CHAMPAIGN COUNTY MUNICIPAL COURT.

Mr. Feinstein stated that this ordinance allow the City to receive a certain amount of reimbursement for defense of defendants who cannot afford an attorney.

President Hess declared this ordinance to have its second reading.

**ORDINANCE 4489-18**

AN ORDINANCE ACCEPTING THE ANNEXATION OF TWO PARCELS CURRENTLY OWNED BY THE BOARD OF EDUCATION OF THE URBANA CITY SCHOOL DISTRICT AND CONSISTING OF 71.973 ACRES, MORE OR LESS, TO THE CITY OF URBANA, OHIO.

Mr. Crabill said that this ordinance was formally accepting the school annexation on south 68. He also added that upon passage, 30 days following, the annexation is valid.

President Hess declared this ordinance to have its second reading.

**First Reading –**

**RESOLUTION 2437-18**

A RESOLUTION CONFIRMING THE APPINTMENT OF EUGENE FIELDS, JR. TO THE TAX INCENTIVE REVIEW COUNCIL (TIRC) FOR CALENDAR YEARS 2018-2021.

President Hess called for a roll call for passage:

Mr. Fields, abstain; Mr. Hoffman, yes; Mr. Scott, yes; Mr. Thackery, yes; Mr. Pena, yes; and Mr. Piper, yes.

Resolution passes 5-0.

**CITIZEN COMMENTS**

Dana Parks – Barely Used Pets. Ms. Parks thanked Council for not passing the Ordinance pertaining to the feed ban of feral cats. She stated that the Ordinance should not be looked at as defeated but more as a call of action. She suggests that the cats, deer and geese should all be looked at individually.

Angela Vanhoose stated that pertaining to the deer, the City should contact ODNR, for there is a wildlife person appointed to the County.

Becky Hoffman – 442 E. Church St. Ms. Hoffman thanked Council for listening to their concerns and they appreciate it as well as the community support that has surfaced. She also stated that they have already kicked of a trapping spree for 2018.

Debra Smith and Jodi Ray Patton– Calico TNR

They thanked Council for voting down the Ordinance and they stated their desire to be on the committee that is going to be formed. They also provided signatures to Council referencing the petition of the feeding ban.

## **MISCELLANEOUS BUSINESS/WORK SESSION**

Mr. Thackery spoke of his appreciation of the pot holes being filled in around the square and on Scioto Street. He also spoke of his appreciation for all of the citizens showing up at the meeting, and he added that it was good that people come in for the meetings to be heard.

Mr. Pena spoke of snow removal and stated that the City was doing a great job. He also touched on the subject of sidewalks and mentioned that the sidewalks going out to Walmart needed to be shoveled.

Mr. Felds also stated that as a reminder, pushing snow out into the road or on someone else's property is illegal and if you must push snow, push it on your own property.

Mr. Hoffman added to the shoveling of sidewalks issue and sated that neighbors should help out the elderly.

Mr. Crabill spoke of the joint work session with the County Commissioners scheduled for Tuesday, January 23, 2018, at 6:00 p.m. He stated that Mr. Brugger should have a couple of items to put on the agenda besides the Comprehensive Plan. He added that if Council had any items that they wanted to be placed on the agenda, just to let himself or Amy know.

Mayor Bean spoke of his attendance at the Martin Luther King Jr. celebration at Urbana University. He stated that it was very well attended and that the Central State Choir was there singing. He stated that it was a very nice celebration.

President Hess spoke of the formation of the committee pertaining to the feral cats, deer and geese. He stated that there would be a list and that anyone interested in being on the committee should contact Mr. Thackery and/or Amy Deere, or even himself. He stated that there are no qualifications, but they will be looking for constructive people to participate. He also added that emails and phone numbers are available on the City's web site.

Mr. Fields moved to excuse absent member Mr. Paul. Mr. Thackery seconded. Voice vote on approval: all ayes, nays, none. Motion passes 6-0.

Mr. Fields moved to adjourn. Mr. Thackery seconded. Voice vote on approval: all ayes, nays, none.  
Motion passes 6-0.

**ADJOURN AT 6:31 p.m.**

**NEXT SCHEDULED MEETING**

February 6, 2018, at 6:00 p.m.

  
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Council Clerk

  
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Council President