

 APPROVED

URBANA CITY COUNCIL
PUBLIC HEARING
TUESDAY, JULY 10, 2018, AT 6:00 P.M.

President Marty Hess called the Public Hearing to order at 6:00 p.m. and gave the floor to the citizens that had a discussion.

Brian Wonn – 788 Amherst Dr., spoke on the proposed income tax increase. He requested that the proposed income tax increase be tabled so that the City and its citizens could work together to find a resolution to the situation at hand. He spoke of his concerns of the large impact it would have on families and the citizens that live on a fixed income.

Mayor Bean stated that we all needed to look toward the future. He added that presently, the City was just treading water. He said that the State of Ohio returns approximately \$73 for an individual making \$10,000.00, and the cost per resident would be \$60.00 for the City's increase. Further he added that if a person has an income of less than \$10,000.00, that resident pay \$0.00 in tax. He advised that the City has lost 2.5 million to the State and the City needs to have funding to move forward. He also advised that 49.5% of residents in the City have a low to moderate income and the medium income amount for the residents for the City is in the approximate amount of \$36,700.00. He reiterated that fact that the City was in need of the money.

Mr. Brugger stated that at the last election the request was defeated, but only 29% of the voters showed up. He feels that the turnout for the fall election will be better. He also stated that this income tax increase is on earned income only and that if there is no earned income, there is no tax. He also stated some safety concerns that involve the Municipal Building. He stated that the City needs to be proactive and put its priority to the safety service side. He stated that the City would continue its search for grants. He also mentioned that should Council table this ordinance, it would require two more readings which would kick it out of time to be filed with the Board of Elections to be placed on the ballot for the fall.

President Marty Hess called the Public Hearing closed at 6:19 p.m.

URBANA CITY COUNCIL
REGULAR SESSION MEETING
TUESDAY, JUNE 19, 2018

President Marty Hess called the regular session meeting of the Urbana City Council to order at 6:20 p.m. City staff attending: Mayor Bill Bean, Director of Administration Kerry Brugger, Director of Finance Chris Boettcher, Community Development Director Doug Crabill, and Water Reclamation Facility Superintendent Chad Hall.

PRESIDENT CALLED ROLL: Mr. Fields, present; Mr. Hoffman, present; Mr. Paul, absent; Mr. Scott, present; Mr. Thackery, present; Mr. Pena, absent; and Mr. Piper, present.

President Hess led those present in the Pledge of Allegiance.

MINUTES of the Regular Session Meeting Minutes of June 5, 2018, were presented for approval. Mr. Thackery moved for the approval of said minutes and Mr. Fields seconded. Voice vote on approval: all ayes, nays, none.

Motion passes 5-0.

COMMUNICATIONS

Cemetery Board Meeting Minutes of June 15, 2018. Mr. Fields moved to accept all of the communications and Mr. Thackery seconded. Voice vote on approval: all ayes; nays, none.

Motion passes 5-0.

ADMINISTRATIVE REPORTS – BOARD OF CONTROL

1. Environmental Engineering Services - \$95,000.00

Mr. Hall stated that this was basically money in and money out. He advised that this way, it would protect the City for that the work would be done to the City's approval. He stated that \$35,500.00 of the \$95,000.00 is construction management. Mr. Thackery moved to put this item on the floor for discussion and possible passage. Mr. Fields seconded. Voice vote on approval: 6 ayes; nays, none.

Motion passes 5-0.

CITIZEN COMMENTS

James Cropper – 527 Railroad St. spoke about an issue he was having with the Champaign County Common Pleas Court in addition to the Champaign County Sheriff's Office. He spoke of his filing a law suit again Judge Lori Reisinger in addition to Deputy Milano.

Ben from DP&L stated that this was his last official meeting for he has taken a new job with the Logan County Chamber of Commerce. He thanked Council and Administration.

ORDINANCES AND RESOLUTIONS:

Third Reading –

ORDINANCE NO. 4429-18

AN ORDINANCE ADOPTING THE TAX BUDGET OF THE CITY OF URBANA, OHIO, FOR THE FISCAL YEAR BEGINNING JANUARY 1, 2019; SUBMITTING THE SAME TO THE COUNTY AUDITOR.

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

President Hess called for a roll call for passage: Mr. Hoffman, yes; Mr. Scott, yes; Mr. Thackery, yes; Mr. Piper, yes; and Mr. Fields, yes.

Ordinances passes 5-0.

Second Reading –

ORDINANCE NO. 4486-18

AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND SECTION 171.013 OF THE CODIFIED ORDINANCES TO ADD AN ADDITIONAL SIX-TENTHS OF ONE-PERCENT (0.6%) TAX ON INCOME TO THE CURRENT ADDITIONAL FOUR-TENTHS (0.4%) TAX RATE, ESTABLISHING THE NEW ADDITIONAL TAX RATE AT ONE-PERCENT (1.0%)

Mr. Crabill spoke of some wording that was slightly changed for clarity purposes. Mr. Brugger read the changes aloud.

President Hess declared this ordinance to have its second reading.

First Reading –

RESOLUTION NO. 2478-18

A RESOLUTION TO AUTHORIZE THE MAYOR OR HIS DESIGNEE TO APPLY TO THE OHIO DEVELOPMENT SERVICES AGENCY UNDER THE FISCAL YEAR 2018 COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT ("CDBG") TARGETS OF OPPORTUNITY GRANT PROGRAM AS PART OF THE CONTINUED REDEVELOPMENT OF THE DOUGLAS INN INTO LEGACY PLACE, and DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

Mr. Thackery moved to put this resolution on the floor for discussion and possible passage. Mr. Fields seconded. Mr. Crabill spoke of the project to redevelop the Douglas Inn to Legacy Place. He stated that Flaherty & Collins have been moving forward and that there were multiple moving pieces to keep this project going. He added that the Douglass Inn has been vacant for excess of 10 years.

President Hess called for a roll call for passage: Mr. Scott, yes; Mr. Thackery, yes; Mr. Piper, yes; Mr. Fields, yes; and Mr. Hoffman, yes.

MISCELLANEOUS BUSINESS/WORK SESSION

Mr. Piper stated that the reason he was not present at the last work session was that he had a gentleman stop by his residence regarding nuisances and that some neighbors wanted to schedule a meeting regarding the same. Following that, Mr. Piper made contact with Administration and wanted to go on a road trip to see all of the nuisance issues. Mr. Piper stated that Administration's response was that they were not going on a damn road trip with him.

Mr. Hall had an update to the paving program. He stated that they should begin milling on Thursday but there would be confirmation tomorrow. He also added that all of the updates are on the web site. He also spoke of the Summer Fest at the City Park this coming weekend and invited everyone to come out.

Mr. Crabill spoke of the proposal on the South Main Street corridor effort. He said this issue would be brought up at the August Work Session. He said that this issue came about following the rezoning request by Casey's at the South end of town.

Ms. Boettcher advised that regarding Ordinance No. 4153, there was \$1.00 fee on the utility bill regarding the Compost. She stated that this just suddenly disappeared. She said that she wanted to put this fee back into play, and put it on the utility bill for the month of September. She said that she was wanting Council to act on this immediately, but would be willing to bring more information to the next Council meeting. She also stated that this would generate approximately \$40,000.00 for the compost facility.

Mr. Brugger responded to Mr. Piper's comment. He stated that following the last meeting he asked Mr. Piper for the addresses for the nuisances at hand. He also admitted that he spoke with Mr. Piper on the telephone but he did not state that he would not go on any damn road trip with him. Mr. Brugger said that he again, inquired as to addresses of the residence that were an issue.

Mayor Bean stated that the India Hunter was back and repaired at the Cemetery in the John Quincy Adams Ward. He also invited everyone to come out to the Park this weekend for the Summerfest. He said there would be water soccer, a band, food, the Fishing Derby, and free swim at the City Pool.

President Hess stated that the City has a great cemetery. He also stated that the Charter Review was coming up. He inquired as to the Township/fire district situation. Mr. Brugger responded that they were all to reconnect on 7-23-18. President Hess also spoke on the issue that now the old elementary school was gone, what would happen to the remaining traffic light. Mr. Brugger responded that some form of study would have to be done by the Engineer and that this issue would be revisited. President Hess also inquired as to the status of Q# and Mr. Brugger said that there has been a significant amount of cleaning and there were approximately 4-6 dumpsters filled. Mr. Brugger added that there would be continued progress to be seen.

Mr. Fields moved to excuse Council members Mr. Paul and Mr. Pena. Motion was seconded by Mr. Thackery. Voice vote on approval: all ayes, nays, none.
Motion passes 5-0.

Mr. Fields moved to adjourn. Mr. Scott seconded. Voice vote on approval: all ayes; nays, none.
Motion passes 5-0.

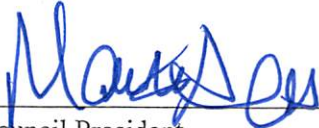
ADJOURN AT 7:19 p.m.

NEXT SCHEDULED MEETING

July 10, 2018, at 6:00 p.m.



Council Clerk



Council President