

URBANA CITY COUNCIL REGULAR SESSION MEETING TUESDAY, OCTOBER 17, 2017, @ 6:00 p.m.

President Marty Hess called the regular session meeting of the Urbana City Council to order at 6:00 p.m. City staff attending: Director of Administration Kerry Brugger, Mayor Bill Bean, Director of Finance Chris Boettcher, 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, present; Doug Hoffman, present; and Gene Fields, present.

President Hess led those present in the Pledge of Allegiance.

President Hess turned the floor over to Charles Thiel of the Urbana City School District and Mr. Thiel provided updates on the progress of the new school's construction. Mr. Thiel advised that the high school construction should be complete on or before April, 2018, directly following Spring Break. He added that the Pre-K through 8, would be open January, 2019. He stated that they were working diligently on the roof to get the building enclosed. He also stated that there is a levy renewal on the ballot and they were looking at 2.6 million on an annual basis.

Mr. Fields inquired as to the traffic light that would be going up at the Pre-K through 8 school. Mr. Thiel advised that not everything has been approved through ODOT yet, though there would be some issue to the same happening within the next couple of weeks.

Mr. Hoffman stated that he thought the schools looked great. He also inquired as to the configuration with the road and the traffic light at the Pre-K through 8 school. Mr. Thiel advised that there would be a turn lane both northbound and southbound and that he wasn't quite sure if the traffic light would be functioning 24/7 or only during school hours.

Mr. Paul asked about the bid process. Mr. Thiel advised that the base bid was 1.7 million under what was expected, therefore, the brick was calculated back into the project, more safety updates and widow configuration as well. Additionally, 80% of the contractors working on the High School construction will be working on the Pre-K through 8 project as well.

Mr. Scott spoke of the 2.6 million levy being continued with the option of it not having to be voted on in the future. Mr. Thiel added that there was still an existing 5.9 million levy in existence.

Mr. Pena inquired as to grounds work coming on the High School. Mr. Thiel advised that that was a work in progress.

MINUTES of the regular session meeting of October 3, 2017, in addition to Work session Minutes of September 26, 2017, were presented for approval. Mr. Thackery moved for the approval of said minutes and Mr. Paul seconded. Voice vote on approval: all ayes; nays, none. Motion carried without objection.

Motion Passes 7-0.

COMMUNICATIONS:

- 1. Board of Zoning Appeals Meeting Minutes of 9-11-17.
- 2. CEP Newsletter.
- 3. City of Urbana Shade Tree Commission Minutes of 9-14-17.

Mr. Paul moved to accept all of the communications and Mr. Fields seconded. Voice vote on approval: all ayes; nays, none.

Motion passes 7-0.

ADMINISTRATIVE REPORTS - BOARD OF CONTROL:

1. ONTA Communications - \$14,697.60 (Police & Fire Tax Levy – Capital Improvement) Mr. Paul moved to put this item on the floor for discussion and possible passage. Mr. Fields seconded. Chief Matt Lingrell advised that this request was for 18 new portable radios and everything goes with it. He stated that the last upgrade was approximately 2010, and these should last another 6-10 years. Voice vote on approval: all ayes; nays, none. Motion passes 7-0.

CITIZEN COMMENTS:

Mayor Bean introduced Robert Pollock of the Champaign County Historical Society and read a letter of recognition referencing the Champaign County Historical Society. Mr. Pollock spoke about the artifacts located and/or related to Champaign County. I also mentioned that the Historical Society has been a voluntary establishment for 83 years. He also stated that they have an issue on the ballot this November to allow them to be open for 5 days a week, etc. He thanked everyone for all of their support.

Brian Kimbley of 223 Louden St., spoke about his purchase of a house that the water had been shut off on. He stated that it was going to cost him \$5,000.00 to get the water turned back on. His issue was that he didn't understand why it was disconnected in the first place when there was an existing curb box. President Hess stated that someone would be getting back to him as soon as this issue was looked into.

ORDINANCES AND RESOLUTIONS:

Third Reading -

ORDINANCE NO. 4484-17

AN ORDINANCE ENACTING CHAPTER 1341 OF THE CODIFIED ORDINANCES OF THE CITY OF URBANA, ENTITILED VACANT BUILDING ENFORCEMENT PROGRAM AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY IN THE CITY OF URBANA, OHIO.

Mr. Thackery moved to put this Ordinance on the floor for discussion and possible passage. Mr. Scott seconded. Mr. Crabill discussed a couple of changes to this Ordinance, specifically, the inspections section and fee section. He added that the idea of this Ordinance is to restore buildings back to productive use. President Hess called for a roll call for passage: Mr. Piper, yes; Mr. Pena, yes; Mr. Thackery, yes; Mr. Scott, yes; Mr. Paul, yes;, Mr. Hoffman, yes; and Mr. Fields, yes. Ordinance passes 7-0.

Second Reading -

First Reading -

RESOLUTION NO. 2512-17

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING ALL ACTIONS NECESSARY TO EFFECT A GOVERNMENTAL ELECTRICITY AGGREGATION PROGRAM WITH OP-OUT PROVISIONS PURSUANT TO SECTION 4925.20 OF THE OHIO REVISED CODE DIRECTING THE CHAMPAIGN COUNTY BOARD OF ELECTIONS TO SUBMIT A BALLOT QUESTION TO THE ELECTORS OF THE CITY OF URBANA.

Voice vote on approval: all ayes, nays, none.

Resolution passes 7-0.

RESOLUTION NO. 2513-17

A RESOLUTION TO AUTHORIZE THE MAYOR OF THE CITY OF URABNA TO ENTER INTO A ROAD MAINTENANCE AGREEMENT WITH THE URBANA TOWNSHIP TRUSTEES FOR A SECTION OF CAMPGROUND ROAD THAT IS BEING PETITIONED FOR ANNEXATION INTO THE CITY OF URBANA, AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

Voice vote on approval: all ayes, nays, none.

Resolution passes 7-0.

RESOLUTUION NO. 2514-17

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE DIRECTOR OF ADMINISTRATION AND/OR HIS DESIGNEES OR ASSIGNEES TO ENTER INTO AN AGREEMENT THAT THE CITY TRANSFER THE PROPERTY DESCRIBED IN THE ATTACHED WARRANT DEED TO THE YMCA, WHICH IS A NON-PROFIT ENTITY, WITHOUT UNDERGOING THE PUBLIC BIDDING PROCESS.

Voice vote on approval: all ayes, nays, none.

Resolution passes 7-0.

RESOLUTION NO. 2515-17

A RESOLUTION DECLARING THE NECESSITY OF AN ELECTION ON THE QUESTION OF APPROVING AN AMENDMENT OF SECTION 171.013 OF THE CODIFIED ORDINANCES OF THE CITY OF URBANA, OHIO; PROVIDING FOR A REPLACEMENT IN THE TAX ON EARNED INCOME OF FOUR-TENTHS OF ONE PERCENT (0.4%) WITH ONE PERCENT (1.0%); AND PROVIDING THE EFFECTIVE DATE FOR SAID ORDINANCE.

Voice vote on approval: all ayes, nays, none.

Resolution passes 7-0.

ORDINANCE NO. 4485-17

AN ORDINANCE RESCINDING SECTION 339-.12 OF THE URBAQNA CODIFIED ORDINANCES, ENTITLED "EDGEWOOD AVENUE BRIDGE." President Hess declared this Ordinance to have its first reading.

ORDINANCE NO. 4486-17

AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND SECTION 171.013 OF THE CODIFIED ORDINANCES, TO REPLACE THE CURRENT ADDITIONAL FOUR-TENTHS PERCENT (.4%) TAX ON INCOME WITH AN ADDITIONAL ONE PERCENT (1.0%) TAX RATE.

President Hess declared this Ordinance to have its first reading.

MISCELLANEOUS BUSINESS/WORK SESSION

Mr. Hoffman inquired as to the traffic light to be located at the Pre-K through 8 school and wondered if the City had the ability to set the light as the City desired, since it was noted that it was going to belong to the City. Mr. Crabill added that the light would not be operational 24 hours and that it would be up to the City Engineer, Mr. Bumbalough, on how the light would function.

Mr. Scott stated how wonderful it was to see asphalt being laid on the east side of town.

Mr. Piper gave applause to the Law Director, Mr. Feinstein on a job well done with the dog training situation as well at the issue on Hagenbuch.

Mr. Crabill spoke of an upcoming MOU, that has been drafted and his feelings of how Council should see it. In the MOU provides details regarding sanity sewer, lights, etc.

Darrell Heckman stopped in and asked when the first leaf pick up would be. Mr. Brugger advised him November 1, 2017. Mr. Heckman also spoke of the need of a public restroom around the Old Main News building. He also stated that he would be willing to start a fund raising drive to make this issue happen.

Chris Boettcher advised Council that the budget is coming.

Mr. Brugger spoke of all of the construction in the City being wrapped up. He also spoke of O'Riley's were trying to get the roof on. He spoke of the Q3 project and stated that the main building was currently being worked on. He also added that Honeywell would be starting November 1, 2017, for the clean-up. He also stated that the roof at the airport has been completed. He said that they were beginning to make plans for 2018, and should anyone have any concerns or suggestions, to please let him know.

Mayor Bean stated that Beggars Night was scheduled for October 31, 2017, from 6:00 p.m. top 8:00 p.m.

President Hess said that the High School was a huge amazing place. He also added that Resolution 2512-17 would save citizens money and that Council should urge the voters to vote it in. He also inquired as to the island on SR 36 and wanted to know if the width was normal in the crosswalk. Mr. Brugger stated that he would check with Tyler and would get back to him.

Mr. Fields moved to adjourn. Mr. Paul seconded. Voice vote on approval: all ayes, nays, none.

Motion carries with one objection from Mr. Hoffman.

ADJOURN AT 7:15 p.m.

NEXT SCHEDULED MEETING

November 7, 2017, at 6:00 p.m.

Council Clerk

Council President