

URBANA CITY COUNCIL REGULAR SESSION MEETING TUESDAY, DECEMBER 19, 2017, 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: Director of Administration Kerry Brugger, 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, absent; Pat Thackery, present; Cledis Scott, present; Dwight Paul, absent; Doug Hoffman, absent; and Gene Fields, present.

President Hess led those present in the Pledge of Allegiance.

ORDINANCES AND RESOLUTIONS:

Third Reading -

None

Second Reading -

None

First Reading – ORDINANCE NO. 4437-17

AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND RESOLUTION 2433-16 TO MODIFY OR INCREASE APPROPRIATIONS WITHIN VARIOUS FUNDS OF THE CITY OF URBANA, OHIO FOR CURRENT EXPENSES DURING THE FISCAL YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31.2017. (SUPPLEMENTAL APPROPRIATIONS) (Suspension of rules requested.)

Ms. Boettcher explained why the changes need to happen and it was basically moving funds around to keep the budget in the black on the books.

Mr. Thackery moved to suspend the three reading rule and Mr. Fields seconded. President Hess called for a roll call for passage on the suspension of the three reading rule: Mr. Piper, yes; Mr. Thackery, yes; Mr. Scott, yes; and Mr. Fields, yes.

Motion passes 4-0.

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. Piper, yes; Mr. Thackery, yes; Mr. Scott, yes; and Mr. Fields, yes.

Motion passes 4-0.

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 O THE ANIMAL KINGDON, 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."

Mr. Feinstein stated this mostly addresses deer and feral cats for the purposes of tackling the population the City. Mr. Brugger added that this was the 1st reading and noted that if Council wanted changes made, to please let administrations know and changes could be made for the second reading. President Hess declared this ordinance to have its first reading.

MINUTES of the Public Hearing and Regular Session Meeting Minutes of November 21, 2017, in addition to Urbana City Council Public Hearing and Regular Session Meeting Minutes of December 5, 2017. Mr. Thackery moved for the approval of said minutes and Mr. Fields seconded. Voice vote on approval: all ayes, nays, none.

Motion passes 4-0.

COMMUNICATIONS

- 1. Parks and Recreation Board Meeting Minutes of 11-17-17.
- 2. Calendar for 2018.

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

Motion passes 4-0.

ADMINISTRATIVE REPORTS – BOARD OF CONTROL

1. Ferguson Waterworks - \$18,225.00 (Water Fund)

Mr. Brugger stated that this request was for the purchase of a Herco Valve Exerciser unit that will be used to exercise water valves. Joe Sampson then added that this machine opens and closes valves automatically to which provides extra safety for the operator in addition to protects the valves themselves somewhat. Mr. Fields moved to put this item on the floor for discussion and possible passage. Mr. Scott seconded. Voice vote on approval: all ayes, nays, none.

Motion passes 4-0.

2. J&J Schlaegel, Inc. – Unit Contract

Mr. Crabill stated that this was a yearly unit price contract. He added that this contractor is the current contractor with the City and stated that all of the numbers were kept the same for the exception of soil and seeding. Mr. Scott moved to put this item on the floor for discussion and possible passage. Mr. Fields seconded. Voice vote on approval: all ayes, nays, none.

Motion passes 4-0.

3. Board of Education of the Urbana City School District - \$148,341.00 (Sanity Sewer Capital Budget)

Mr. Crabill advised that this amount was lowest of two proposals received by the school district for the acceptance/planned completion of alternate #1 to upsize and increase the depth of the sanitary sewer extension to be constructed by the school district along US Route 68 South. He also said that now was the time to do this, for future usage. He also stated that this piping will run from the driveway of the new school to the intersection of SR 68 and SR 55 on the west side of the road. Mr. Thackery moved to put this item on the floor for discussion and possible passage. Mr. Scott seconded. Voice vote on approval: all ayes, nays, none.

Motion passes 4-0.

CITIZEN COMMENTS

Tonya Feinstein, of Urbana, discussed the amendment of Ordinance No. 4488-17, and discussed how poultry feces could be causes for health issues for citizens. She discussed that a member of her family had a kidney replacement and that her being around poultry feces could cause great harm to her immune system. She stated the importance of how this issue should always be considered.

MISCELLANEOUS BUSINESS/WORK SESSION

Mr. Fields said that there were still leaves out and inquired what citizens should do with them. Mr. Brugger responded that the City would not be picking them up anymore this year and that it may be a good idea of bagging the leaves up and store them until spring.

Mr. Thackery stated that the Hotel study was underway as well as the Special Improvement District.

Mr. Crabill inquired as to a Council meeting being held on January 2, 2018, and President Hess advised that yes, in fact, there would be a Council meeting. Mr. Crabill continued with stating that on January 23, 2018, the scheduled Council Work Session, the County Commissioners would be willing to meet to discuss the Comprehensive Plan with City Council.

President Hess inquired to Mr. Sampson how many gallons of water a month, the City goes through and Mr. Sampson advised that it would get that information to him directly.

Mr. Brugger spoke of Q3 and said that there was a building on the west side that was going to be torn down, stored, and rebuilt for park usage. He stated that the building was approximately 98 x 100 and that following its rebuild, it would be utilized to store park equipment and a place for doing repairs to items in the park, such as bleachers, benches, etc. He continued with the subject of legislation coming regarding Miami Valley Communications. This is for electric, and that the City would be requesting an 18 month extension to which would drop the rate to 4%. He also advised that regarding the project south of town in the vicinity of Henry Street, Columbia Gas would be taking a break and starting back up after the 1st of the year. He added that the project is planned to be complete by May, 2018. He also stated that the City offices would be closed this Friday and Monday December 22, 2017, and December 25, 2017, for the holidays as well as December 29, 2017, and January 1, 2018. He also stated that Mayor Bean sends his greetings to all for a Happy Holiday.

Mr. Fields moved to excuse absent Council members Mr. Pena, Mr. Paul, and Mr. Hoffman. Mr. Scott seconded. Voice vote on approval: three ayes, nays, one, from Mr. Fields. Motion carries 3-1.

Mr. Fields moved to adjourn. Mr. Scott seconded. Voice vote on approval: three ayes, nays, one, from Mr. Scott.

Motion carries 3-1.

ADJOURN AT 7:54 p.m.

NEXT SCHEDULED MEETING

January 2, 2018, at 6:00 p.m.

Council Clerk

Council Presiden