

**URBANA CITY COUNCIL
REGULAR SESSION MEETING
TUESDAY, AUGUST 6, 2019**

President Hess called the City of Urbana Regular Session Meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. City staff attending: Mayor Bill Bean, Director of Administration Kerry Brugger, Director of Finance Chris Boettcher, Director of Law Mark Feinstein, and Community Development Manager Doug Crabill.

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

MINUTES of the Regular Session Meeting Minutes of July 23, 2019 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 passed 6-0.

COMMUNICATIONS

1. Charter Review Meeting Minutes of July 17, 2019
2. City of Urbana Shade Tree Commission Minutes of June 13, 2019
3. Letter from Ohio Department of Public Safety regarding municipal vehicle license tax
4. Cemetery Board Meeting Minutes of March 21, 2019
5. Excerpt from North Central Ohio Solid Waste
6. District 2018 Landfill Disposal Annual Report
7. Division Activities Report April - June

Mr. Thackery stated that he liked the Divisions Report, and it held a lot of information.

Mr. Paul asked if the Division Report could be put on line separately, and that it would be a good idea to do this.

President Hess spoke about the Water/Sewer and said that it looked as the City was treating a lot more water than pumped. Mr. Brugger stated that if there is a water leak, or pumping hydrants, this water does not go into the sewer. Mr. Brugger also advised that he would look further into the matter.

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

Motion passed 6-0.

ADMINISTRATIVE REPORTS – BOARD OF CONTROL

None

CITIZEN COMMENTS

Charles Moody – 627 S. High St., Urbana, Ohio – Mr. Moody said that the Welcome signs as you enter into the City need to be updated and repainted.

Council took this under advisement.

Lynn Mintchell – 904 S. High St., Urbana, Ohio - inquired as to motor registration on City property. Mr. Feinstein stated that he would be happy to speak with her following the meeting.

ORDINANCES AND RESOLUTIONS:

First Reading –

Resolution No. 2562-19

A Resolution to authorize the Director of Administration on behalf of the City of Urbana to enter into the amendment to the Purchase and Sale Agreement previously authorized by Council Resolution #2524-18.

Mr. Crabill said that the old North and South Elementary Schools were to be used for economic development purchases. He stated the School Board would sell them to the City, the City would then turn them over to CEP and then CEP would then turn them over to Flaherty/Collins for the project of senior housing. There were two proposed changes, one being to insert the phrase “not for profit” instead of “non for profit” referencing the CEP. The second change would be the purchase price being adjusted to \$0.00. Additionally, the closing date would be on or before April 30, 2020. Mr. Crabill also said that the School District did not move forward with any of the abatements and added that if the building were in fact to be donated, Flaherty/Collins would pick up five points for their application. He also stated that the School Board has to act on this one way or the other and he advised there is a special meeting scheduled for this week for the School Board.

Mr. Hoffman asked why the school would choose to give up \$340,000.00, and Mr. Crabill stated they would do this to make this project happen.

Mr. Piper asked Mr. Crabill if there were any costs to the City. Mr. Crabill responded, “Only my time”.

Mrs. Bailey of CEP stated that this project makes those buildings tax collectible buildings.

Mr. Thackery moved to put this Resolution on the floor for discussion and possible passage. Mr. Paul seconded. President Hess called for a roll call for passage: Mr. Hoffman, yes; Mr. Paul, yes; Mr. Scott, yes; Mr. Thackery, yes; Mr. McKee, yes; and Mr. Piper, yes.

Resolution passed 6-0.

Ordinance No. 4511-19

An Ordinance to vacate the 12' wide alley bounded on the west by Ann Street (60' Right-Of-Way), with Lot 5 of William Wiley's Addition being on the north side of the alley and Lt 6 being on the south side of the alley, thence running east to west line of a 17' wide un-named street, also being on a line from the southeast corner of Lot 1 to the northeast corner of Lot 10.

Mr. Crabill said this was part of the Q3 Re-development Project. He also stated this was located on the west side of the bike path. He also advised there would be the need for a Public Hearing on this matter. He further stated that Mr. Bill Edwards will perform a survey update upon completion and this is currently zoned as M-1.

President Hess declared this Ordinance to have its first reading.

Ordinance No. 4512-19

An Ordinance to vacate the 17' wide un-named street in William Wiley's Addition beginning at the south line of Miami Street, running north to south ending at the north line of the portion of Beech Street vacated per Deed Volume 221, page 315.

President Hess declared this Ordinance to have its first reading.

Second Reading --

None

Third Reading --

None

MISCELLANEOUS BUSINESS/WORK SESSION

Mr. Hoffman said that he is satisfied with the frequency of the Division Updates provided to Council. He also added that he appreciated the reports. He also stated that citizens would be seeing a lot of action around town. He also mentioned the fact that the current projects have been in the planning for several years and that it was great to see them all in action. He also said that Council and Administration working together gave the ability to get the projects underway and he gave his appreciation to all involved.

Mr. Thackery stated that "Coffee with Council" was going great. He also mentioned that things seem to be moving right along with the roundabout project. He further said that all of the construction workers were courteous. He also spoke about two projects he has in the works: Comprehensive Parking Plan and Rental Property Dumpsters.

Mr. Brugger stated the Welcome signs were on the City's "To Do List". He also added that the issue with Bloomfield Railroad Crossing was Heritage's responsibility, and that this situation was well wrapped up

last week. Further, Mr. Brugger spoke on the roundabout project and stated that they were in Phase Four, Leg 3 of the project, and this should be completed by August 16, 2019. Also, Scioto Street would open and South Main Street would close. He also stated that the project is very close to remaining on schedule. He also advised that Joe Sampson finds old newspaper clippings and found one recently stating the announcement of the 36th annual Champaign County Fair, and currently we are celebrating the 178th annual Champaign County Fair. He also mentioned another clipping from August, 1887, repealing an Ordinance of having a Lamp Lighter in town.

Mayor Bean gave his condolences to the City of Dayton and all of the families of the victims of the recent shootings. He also said that we all share in their sadness and sorrow and that all of our hearts and prayers go out to those families.

President Hess stated that Council and Administration used to have retreats many years ago and asked everyone to think about this and think if this should be tried again.

Mr. Crabill said that the Carryover Asphalt Program was beginning next week. He further stated they would mill and patch first, then chip and seal, and then put on the final coat of asphalt. This would be happening in the area where all of curb and gutters were replaced and/or repaired. He also thanked all of the residents for getting this accomplished. He also mentioned that on August 19, 2019, or August 26, 2019, in the area of Hill Street, there would be a storm system going in and then re-pavement would follow.

Mr. Scott inquired as to the status of the 5th 3rd building. Mr. Brugger advised that they were in the final stages of the project. He said that the partition walls are in, the service windows were coming in next week, painting and carpeting to follow. He advised move in should be around Labor Day.

Mr. Thackery moved to adjourn and Mr. Paul seconded. Voice vote on approval: all ayes, nays, one from Mr. Hoffman.

Motion passed 6-1.

ADJOURN AT 6:44 p.m.

NEXT SCHEDULED MEETING

August 20, 2019, at 6:00 p.m.



Council Clerk



Council President