

MINUTES OF PERRYSBURG CITY COUNCIL

MEETING HELD JANUARY 3, 2017

Mayor Olmstead called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m. Present were Council Members Nelson Evans, Jim Matuszak, Tim McCarthy, Rick Rettig, Jonathan Smith, Barry VanHoozen and Becky Williams (7). Also present were Bridgette Kabat, City Administrator, David Creps, Clerk of Council, and Karlene Henderson, Law Director.

Mr. McCarthy moved to approve the minutes of the December 20, 2016 meeting as written and to dispense with their reading. Ms. Williams seconded. Ayes: (7). Nays: (0).

SPECIAL REPORTS

None.

LETTERS, COMMUNICATIONS, AND CITIZENS' CONCERNS

None.

ADMINISTRATIVE REPORTS

Mayor's Report

No report.

City Administrator's Report

No report.

Finance Director's Report

No report.

Law Director's Report

No report.

President of Council Report

Mr. McCarthy reported that the Appointment Review Committee met prior to tonight's meeting and unanimously recommended the following appointments and reappointment:

<u>Name</u>	<u>Board/Commission</u>	<u>Term expiring</u>
Judy Justus	Historic Landmarks Commission	12/31/19
Mark Weber	Historic Landmarks Commission	12/31/18
Dennis Barrett	Historic Landmarks Commission	12/31/19

Mr. McCarthy made a motion to approve the appointments and reappointment. Seconded by Ms. Williams. Ayes: (7). Nays: (0).

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Finance and Economic Development Committee:

No report.

Next meeting: Monday, January 23, 2017 at 5:00 p.m.

Service Committee:

No report.

Next meeting: Wednesday, January 25, 2017 at 5:00 p.m.

Safety Committee:

Mr. Evans gave his report of the December 29, 2016 meeting, a copy of which is attached hereto and made a part of these minutes. Mr. Evans stated that a copy of Mr. Matuszak's comments that he read at the meeting will be made a part of the minutes.

Next meeting: Thursday, December 29, 2016 at 5:00 p.m. which is a change from the regular date and time.

Mr. Evans introduced **ORDINANCE 5-2017 AUTHORIZING THE TRANSFER AND PURCHASE OF REAL PROPERTY FOR THE PURPOSE OF A MUNICIPAL FIRE STATION AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY** and moved that the rules be suspended to allow for its reading by number and title only and to dispense with the second and third readings. Seconded by Mr. Rettig. Ayes: (7). Nays: (0). The Clerk read Ordinance 5-2017 by number and title only. Mr. Evans moved that Ordinance 5-2017 be approved as an emergency. Seconded by Mr. Rettig.

Mr. Matuszak expressed concerns that the Fire Division is supporting this site in fear that they will not get a new building if they do not. He said that he believes that this is the wrong site and there are more viable options. He asked that this ordinance be tabled or at least be given only a first reading. He said that the property is so cheap because we are getting what we are paying for. Mr. Evans stated that this has been an ongoing process and the difference between the two properties is do we want to pay \$500,000 or \$50,000. Mr. Matuszak said that he does not want to put a price on the safety of the people of Perrysburg. Mr. McCarthy said that he believes that response time is the most critical factor. He reviewed the response time information from the study done two years ago which showed minimal difference in the response times for the two sites. Mr. McCarthy added that he is not uncomfortable with the deed restriction and in his opinion to spend \$500,000 on a site a mile away with very similar run times is a waste of taxpayers' money. Mr. Rettig said that the location of the site relative to the railroad tracks is important to him and Coe Court allows coverage if the railroad tracks are blocked. Mr. Smith said that when he was going door to door campaigning there were many residents who expressed concern about the railroad tracks and felt that we needed another fire station on the north side of the tracks. Ms. Williams added that in the last two and half weeks the tracks have been blocked four times, once for two hours. Mr. Smith asked what would happen if something happens to O-I. Ms. Henderson said that if approved, we would own the property and as long as there is a functioning fire station, there would be no problem. She added that any action to enforce the restriction would have to be done through affirmative action. Mr. Smith asked if a

fire training facility would be permitted on the site. Ms. Kabat said that there is one there now, and we would be permitted to do what we need for a functioning fire facility. Ms. Henderson said that she is very comfortable that we can do what we need for a functional fire station whether it's an out building or training facility. Mr. VanHoozen said that all Council members are going to use their own criteria to make a decision and since the difference in response times is insignificant statistically, his approach is what is the most catastrophic thing that can happen and he believes that is where the railroad tracks come in. He said that he had some concerns about the deed language, but he is going to accept the Law Director's opinion.

Ayes: Evans, McCarthy, Rettig, Smith, VanHoozen, Williams (6). Nays: Matuszak (1).

Recreation Committee:

No report.

Next meeting: Tuesday, January 10, 2017 at 6:00 p.m., which will be the new day for meetings.

Planning And Zoning Committee:

Mr. McCarthy gave his report of the December 21, 2016 meeting, a copy of which is attached hereto and made a part of these minutes.

Next meeting: Wednesday, January 19, 2017 at 5:30 p.m.

Personnel Committee:

Mr. VanHoozen stated that the Committee met prior to tonight's City Council meeting, but he will give the report at the next meeting.

Next meeting: Tuesday, January 24, 2017 at 5:00 p.m.

Health, Sanitation and Public Utilities Committee:

No report.

Next meeting: There will be a special meeting on Thursday, January 12, 2017 at 5:30 p.m. The regular meeting is cancelled.

Mr. Smith introduced **ORDINANCE 1-2017 AMENDING SECTION 1060.02 OF THE CODIFIED ORDINANCES REGARDING WATER CHARGES WITHIN THE CITY OF PERRYSBURG AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY** and moved that the rules be suspended to allow for its reading by number and title only. Seconded by Ms. Williams. Ayes: (7). Nays: (0). The Clerk read Ordinance 1-2017 by number and title only.

Mr. Smith introduced **ORDINANCE 2-2017 AMENDING SECTION 1060.03 OF THE CODIFIED ORDINANCES REGARDING WATER CHARGES OUTSIDE THE CITY OF PERRYSBURG AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY** and moved that the rules be suspended to allow for its reading by number and title only. Seconded by Ms. Williams. Ayes: (7). Nays: (0). The Clerk read Ordinance 2-2017 by number and title only.

Mr. Smith introduced **ORDINANCE 3-2017 AMENDING SECTION 1060.08 OF THE CODIFIED ORDINANCES REGARDING CAPITAL EXPANSION CHARGES ON WATER SERVICE AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY** and moved that the rules be suspended to allow for its reading by number and title only. Seconded by Ms. Williams. Ayes: (7). Nays: (0). The Clerk read Ordinance 3-2017 by number and title only.

Mr. Smith introduced **ORDINANCE 4-2017 AMENDING SECTION 1050.09 OF THE CODIFIED ORDINANCES REGARDING CAPITAL EXPANSION CHARGES ON SEWER SERVICE AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY** and moved that the rules be suspended to allow for its reading by number and title only. Seconded by Ms. Williams. Ayes: (7). Nays: (0). The Clerk read Ordinance 4-2017 by number and title only.

Mr. Smith made a motion to waive water capital expansion charges and tap fees for those property owners on Fort Meigs Road who will be affected by the Northwest Water and Sewer District's elimination of a water line because of the Fort Meigs Road widening project, provided that they notify the City of their intention to tap into the City's water system by February 1, 2017. Seconded by McCarthy. Ayes: (7). Nays: (0).

Mr. McCarthy asked Ms. Godsey if the water and sewer rate study takes into account an increase in population. Ms. Godsey stated that a modest growth factor is taken into account. Mr. Rettig said that there had been some discussion in the past about minimum bills and a flat rate. Ms. Godsey said that they looked at that but decided not to pursue it because they will be doing a software upgrade later this year. Ms. Kabat stated that the new software will allow them to get better reports and they can always come back to City Council if any changes are warranted.

OTHER BUSINESS

None.

ADJOURNMENT

Mr. McCarthy moved to adjourn the meeting at 7:43 p.m. Seconded by Mr. VanHoozen. Ayes: (7). Nays: (0).

David D. Creps, Clerk

Michael J. Olmstead, Mayor