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President Baker called the regular meeting to order. Pastor Ray Pfahler of Christian Missionary Alliance Church offered the prayer. The Pledge was recited by all.

Roll call: Shupp, Miller, Vance, Hamsher, Aspiras, Corfman, and Leathers were present.

Peppard: Weren't we to do a public hearing prior to the meeting?

Baker: Is there anyone who wishes to speak for the public hearing for the budget? Seeing no one to speak at that public hearing, we can continue.

Corfman moved and Hamsher seconded that the minutes of the May 17, 2010 regular meeting be approved. Roll call vote. Ayes all. Motion carried.

**Public Comment:** None.

**Standing Committee Reports:**

A. Finance – Mr. Miller reported that Council should have received their 2011 Annual Budget over the weekend and it will be on first reading tonight. It will go three readings. The second reading being next week on the 14th after Utility Board meeting will be a special meeting of Council for that purpose as well as a workshop on the annual budget so that any questions we might have can be worked out. Third reading will be at the next scheduled meeting.

B. Utilities – Mr. Vance had no report.

C. Health & Safety – Mr. Corfman had no report.

D. Parks and Recreation – Mr. Aspiras reported the Orr Pool is now open and I will just remind the public on the rates. Admission is \$4 for adults and \$3 for children. Children under 3 years old are allowed free in the wading pool. The 2010 season passes are \$80 for resident families, \$120 for non-resident families, and \$40 for resident single, \$60 for non-resident single. After the July 15th the pool passes will be half price and senior citizens with a Golden Buckeye card are eligible for half price pool passes. The other thing I had was to remind the public of the 4th of July Orrville celebration week. That will kick off with the parade at 7pm on Wednesday, June 30th. Typically it has been on a Tuesday. The carnival will also start that same Wednesday at 6pm. I also would like to congratulate the Orrville High School Track & Field Boys and Girls Track Team. They sent six individuals to the Division II State Championship. Those six individuals were Eric Bower, Dillon Corbett, Sam Miller, Drew Brenner, Kyle Osborne, and Nicole Greggor. Congratulations to Coach Tyron Mosely and Coach Jason Ayres. Eric Bowers did place 4th in the pole vault and Dillon Corbett placed 6th in the 400 meter run. Finally, I would just like to extend congratulations to the 115 members of the Orrville High School Class of 2010 recently graduated and I wish them the best.

E. Transportation – Mr. Shupp had no report.

F. Planning – Mr. Hamsher had no report.

G. Ordinance & Personnel – Ms. Leathers had no report.

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**Special Committee Reports:** None.

**Administrative Reports:**

A. Mayor - Mayor Handwerk was absent.

B. Safety Service Director- Director Wheeler reported West Chestnut resurfacing is scheduled to start the week of June 21st. We did have a precon meeting a few weeks ago and they should get kicked off and that project won't last but a day or two so they should be in and out fairly quick. Wayne Metropolitan Housing has asked that we mention that they have \$123,000 available for Orrville for rehab of existing owner occupied homes for Orrville residents that income qualify. You must live on South Main, South Walnut, or South Vine and a letter will be going out to eligible property owners giving the details of that as well. That will be out in the mail in the next few days. North Ella is closed to through traffic this week to install a new water line and with access only for residents of North Ella. "Cloudy with a Chance of Meatballs" was cancelled unfortunately Friday due to the weather and has been rescheduled for July 16th. The next movie coming up on the schedule is Friday, June 18th at Rehm Pavilion and that is "Ice Age 3". We have an upcoming concert on June 10th that wasn't originally on the schedule and that is Justin Wallace. Justin is actually an Electrician Technician III for Orrville Utilities so good luck to Justin. June 17th, the Thursday following, is Good Company which is a classic rock band.

C. Utilities Director – Director Brediger reported about a week and a half ago he sent out a note out to the members of Council on the Utilities Committee concerning the Gorsick Station project which we are a member of through AMP. We have announced that facility will be closing at the end of the year. We have been involved in that project for a little over 20 years. This closing is a result of an EPA consent decree that we have been involved with working out with the Federal EPA for the past six months. This consent decree had a mandatory shutdown date connected with it. There was a civil penalty that was connected with this consent decree and there is some environmental mitigation that the community will be involved with as a result of that consent decree. That will be in the form of energy efficiency programs and there will be more information that will follow on all of this over the next couple of months. With that plant shutdown will end a lot of our long term obligations in that project from a power supply perspective and probably the biggest reason was mainly due to the economics involved with operating that plant through the mandatory shutdown, which was 2012, we elected to shut that plant down early just mainly due to the power costs coming out of that plant can be more cheaply purchased on the energy market today and that does work out in Orrville's favor. There will be an information meeting this coming Friday at the City of Wadsworth if any Council members are interested in attending that with me. That will be at 10am in Wadsworth City Hall Municipal Building. They will be presenting some details of the EPA consent decree talking about replacement power supply which does not have any impact on us and there will be a brief overview of the energy efficiency program that we will be engaging in towards the latter part of this year, mostly likely the beginning of 2011. This is a closed meeting, but this is open to Utility Board and Council members so if anybody is interested in attending that meeting with me it will be this Friday, June 11th, at 10am. That meeting shouldn't last much more than an hour to an hour and a half.

D. Finance Director – Director Strimlan report she assumed everyone received their budget books sometime on Friday. As Mr. Miller indicated, we will have a workshop on Monday immediately following the Utility Board meeting so approximately 7:00. At that workshop we will go over the budget in great detail, but if anyone has any questions please feel free to call me at any time.

E. Law Director - Director Lutz reported that as you know we have been vacating alleys and streets because of the expansion and the building projects of The J.M. Smucker Company. I believe there is another one coming that our Clerk was going to give notice of to you tonight for vacation; however, at the last meeting you recall that we actually transferred little parcels of property that were on the

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corners of intersections. In all this we have also found that there is about a half acre piece of property the City owns on there campus that was going to be a proposed roadway. So obviously now with what is going on there we are not going to build a roadway there and so next meeting I am going to be presenting legislation similar to the legislation last time transferring that. That can't be vacated because it was never a dedicated roadway or alley. We will be proposing legislation to transfer that to the company and we are going to be asking to pass it on first reading as a emergency legislation just because of the deadlines they are on and they would like that passed.

F. President of Council – President Baker reported the Clerk has a couple things to report. Peppard: We have received a street vacation request from The J.M. Smucker Company and we need to refer that to the Planning Commission. We have also received a liquor license renewal for BP.

### **Old Business:**

#### **RESOLUTION 16-10**

Leathers moved and Miller seconded that Resolution 16-10, a resolution authorizing the Public Utilities Board of Control to advertise for bids and to enter into a contract and/or contracts for lime sludge removal, and declaring an emergency, be placed on second reading.

Brediger: We ask that Council considering passing this resolution. This will allow us ample time to go out and bid this and allow the contractor the time to contact area landowners for the disposal of this lime sludge on their property before the fall season.

Leathers moved and Hamsher seconded that the rules, regulations, and statutes requiring a reading of a resolution on three separate days be suspended. Roll call vote. Ayes all. Motion carried.

Leathers moved and Corfman seconded that Resolution 16-10 be adopted as read. Roll call vote. Ayes all. Motion carried.

Leathers: My apologies, I am a little dyslexic this evening. I kind of took those out of order.

#### **ORDINANCE J-10**

Leathers moved and Aspiras seconded that Ordinance J-10, an ordinance establishing rates of pay for the firemen of the City of Orrville and establishing salaries for officers of the Fire Department, repealing all conflicting resolutions and ordinances, and declaring an emergency, be placed on second reading.

Wheeler: I was not at the last meeting so I didn't get a chance to give a brief overview to Council as well as to the public that might be watching so I wanted to do that on the second reading. This resolution provides for a pay increase of \$.50 per hour for all the various Fire Department classifications. After doing a salary survey of other local departments, I found that we are slightly below what would be the lower end of the scale. We have already budgeted for this increase so there would be no new impact on this year's current budget. Also, because of the way we pay we have one pay period left in 2010 so I have asked that the pay be retroactive to January 1st or else the pay increase wouldn't benefit the department until 2011. With that being said, the last pay increase for the fire department was in 2006 which was mentioned at the last Council meeting. Based on the first billing hours for 2010 the increase would be approximately \$2,000 to \$2,500 for the entire payroll for the department and would average approximately \$5,000 in total cost to the City for an entire year. Keep in mind those numbers are based on the number of calls and all those things so they do vary from day to day, week to week, month to month. I would be glad to answer any other questions there might be.

Miller: I am for this thing, but we have traditionally have had any salary type resolutions go three readings. We just did that for a \$250 a year one.

Shupp: I agree with Mr. Miller. I would like to see it go three readings. We do that will all salary or pay increases.

Hamsher: How many firefighters do we have on staff?

Wheeler: Currently we have 37.

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Hamsher: So you are talking an increase of \$2,000 for 37 people. We are talking about \$50-\$60 per person a year?

Wheeler: Correct.

Hamsher: That seems pretty reasonable.

Aspiras: I will add that out of those 37, 63% fall in the bottom two ranges; aside from the new hires – Class 02 and Class 03 so they are at the bottom of the scale.

**New Business:**

**RESOLUTION 17-10**

Leathers moved and Miller seconded that Resolution 17-10, a resolution approving the Budget of the City of Orrville, Ohio, for the calendar year 2011, and declaring an emergency, be placed on first reading. Roll call vote. Ayes all. Motion carried.

Strimlan: You received your budget books over the weekend and we will go over it in detail at Monday's meeting.

**Good of the Order:** None.

Hamsher moved and Aspiras seconded that the council meeting be adjourned. Ayes all. Motion carried. Council was adjourned at 7:53a.m.

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Tamra Peppard, Clerk of Council

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Lyle Baker, President of Council