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Council President Baker called the public hearing to order at 7:35p.m.

Prior to the Council Meeting a Public Hearing was held on Ordinance O-12, ORDINANCE O-12, AN ORDINANCE CHANGING THE NAME OF ENTERPRISE DRIVE AS IT RUNS EAST AND WEST BETWEEN DAIRY LANE AND COMMERCE DRIVE IN THE CITY OF ORRVILLE, COUNTY OF WAYNE, STATE OF OHIO, TO VENTURE DRIVE.

Wheeler: I would just like to explain what it is.

Baker swore in all attendees, Steven Wheeler, who desired to speak during the public hearing.

Wheeler: Mr. President, what we have here is a, this ordinance is a name change request to change the street name which is currently Enterprise Drive to Venture Drive in the new Industrial Park. The request was made by Ventrac which was our first builder in our new Industrial Park. All adjacent property owners have signed off on the name change and the Planning Commission has recommended approval. And as we can tell tonight there is no opposition from anyone in regards to the request.

Baker: Anyone on Council have any questions?

Hamsher: Thank you, Mr. President. Mr. Wheeler, will there be any cost associated with this? Signage or anything?

Wheeler: No. We hadn't ordered any street signs or anything yet so there is nothing to change or anything in that regard. No new costs at all for us.

Hamsher: Those signs are what, about \$20 bucks?

Wheeler: Yes, they're actually a little more than that with all the different requirements but we were going to require a street sign regardless of what the street was called so there isn't, we hadn't put any up yet, so there isn't any new costs for us.

Hamsher: Great.

Baker: Anyone else? No other comments. This public hearing is closed.

Public Hearing ended at 7:37 p.m.

Council President Baker called the regular meeting to order.

Pastor Chuck Davis: Mr. Mayor, if I may, before I pray, I just wanted to say how thankful I am. I've been challenging our church just to make sure that we tell people how thankful we are for one another. And I'm thankful for you men and women that do this because I don't want this job. There are people out there that don't want this job. But you do this and you're faithful in it. You know, I'm thinking, this is the week of Thanksgiving and Thanksgiving proclamations aren't something that are foreign but it was Lincoln's in 1863 that established, really establishes this as a holiday for us and he said, The year that is drawing to its close has been filled with blessings of fruitful fields and helpful skies. To these bounties which are so constantly enjoyed that we are prone to forget the source from which they come. Others have been added which are of so extraordinary of nature that they cannot fail to penetrate and soften even the heart which is habitually insensible to the ever watchful providence of the Almighty God. I am thankful tonight that we live in a community where we still want to pray for the business of our community. Let's pray together.

Pastor Chuck Davis of Calvary Assembly of God offered the prayer. The Pledge was recited by all.

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

Corfman moved that the minutes of the November 5, 2012, regular meeting be approved as posted and Hamsher seconded. Roll call vote. All ayes. Motion carried.

Public Comment: None.

Standing Committee Reports:

A. Finance – Mr. Miller: Thank you, Mr. President. Council should have received their 2013 Temporary Appropriations booklets. Tonight they will be on first reading. There are no changes to the budget that we approved in the summer and it will go three readings. And other than saying Happy Thanksgiving to everybody, that's all I have, sir.

B. Utilities – Mr. Vance: Thank you, Mr. President, I have no report.

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C. Health & Safety – Mr. Corfman: Thank you, Mr. President. Last week we had a meeting of the Health and Safety Committee concerning our dangerous, vicious dog ordinance. It was a good meeting; it was very productive and we will have new legislation coming in the coming weeks as soon as Ms. Kirkbride gets that together. She's going to review with the committee before we then bring it to Council. That's all I have.

D. Parks and Recreation – Mr. Aspiras: Thank you, Mr. President, I have no report tonight.

E. Transportation – Mr. Shupp: Thank you, Mr. President. I have no report but I would like to call for a meeting of the Transportation Committee on December the 10th at 7p.m. if that works out with everyone. We need to discuss the closing of one of our two railroad crossings in the City to move forward with the new loop road for the J.M. Smucker plant. Mr. Wheeler will have quite a bit of information for us to go over and make some kind of a selection on one of the sites. That's about it. Thank you.

F. Planning – Mr. Hamsher: Thank you, Mr. President. Next Monday the 29th we will have a Planning Committee meeting regarding the Comprehensive Plan and just kind of wrapping that up and getting some community concerns addressed.

Baker: That will be at about 7:15p.m.

Hamsher: At about 7:15-ish following the Utility Board.

Leathers: The 26th? Correct.

Hamsher: Correct. What did I say?

Leathers: The 29th.

Hamsher: The 26th next Monday.

Shupp: 26th or the 29th?

Group: 26th.

Hamsher: Monday the 26th. Next Monday, the 26th. 2. 6.

G. Ordinance & Personnel – Ms. Leathers: Thank you, Mr. President. I have no report this evening.

Special Committee Reports: None.

Administrative Reports:

- A. Mayor Handwerk: Yes, thank you, Mr. President. I would like to announce that we will, for the fifth year, be doing our Adopt-a-Citizen program. Keep in mind this program is to aide predominately our elderly folks in town who are unable to do their snow removal at their homes. We have tried to keep this program for folks who simply cannot afford to have someone do that. If you're elderly but you do have the financial means to pay somebody, by all means continue to do that and allow that person to still make some money doing snow shoveling. But we've had usually about 5-6 people that we've helped every year. And we've run into a little bit of a problem the last couple of years of getting volunteers to help do that. It can be done by a church group, can be done by a Sunday school class, youth group anything like that, Boy Scout group. Actually the last two years Coach Davault and the football team has basically been our help on that and they've done a wonderful job. Had two or three different groups take charge of that. And Pastor Chuck has been one of our faithful volunteers in that program too all along and so he's been helping last year also. So keep that in mind if you're someone that needs the help, you need to notify my office each year. We don't assume that because we did it last year that it's the same people that live there or the same circumstances are there. So you do need to notify us and then we will try to match you up with volunteers. And as I've said before that can only go as far as the number of volunteers that we have. So if we have 10 people that need help and we have three volunteers, it's going to be the first three that call. Hopefully we can continue to make that program work for those people. One other thing that I wanted to mention is just that we're going to try a little bit of a change in our State of the City address. Normally that would be our second meeting in December that we would have that before Council meeting. It's really kind of become redundant because we do that at the end of December and then right in February we start with all the Directors' annual reports which kind of leaves them to be doing the same thing they've already done. So I'm going to do my part of the State of the City the

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second meeting in January at our Council meeting so there won't be another meeting you have to come to. And then our Directors will go ahead and do their annual reports as they have been doing in the past and we'll give that a try this year and see if that works for everybody. It's predominately been this group that's attended that anyways so it shouldn't make any difference.

Vance: Mr. Mayor?

Mayor: The only other thing I have to say....

Vance: I just had a question is any legislation that said that had to be done any certain time?

Mayor: No, we checked that this week and it just needs to be done at some point and the way we're doing it, in fact it didn't used to be the way we've been doing it. It used to be in the summer time I think. So, yes, we're okay that way. But I wanted to wish everyone a Happy Thanksgiving also and happy shopping especially at our Home for the Holiday's on Friday evening and also Go Buckeyes on Saturday. Big weekend.

- B. Safety Service Director Wheeler: Thank you, Mr. President. The trash pickup is delayed one day this week due to Thanksgiving Holiday. Thursday pickup is Friday. Friday pickup is now Saturday. Our leaf pickup is ongoing. The first run through the south end has been completed. The crews are now on the north side of Market and will remain there through next week. They will then do another pass through for random piles throughout the City. So if they haven't gotten to you yet or if you've got another pile, we will be back around to get you. The City Hall roof project was completed the end of last week as well. Inspection occurred today and everything looked pretty good. It's also, believe it or not, Shop with a Cop time. The event this year is Saturday, December 15. Detective Hunt does a great job organizing this event. The event is primarily funded through raffle ticket sales and donations. For those of you interested in purchasing raffle tickets, you can do so through the police department. They are \$1 each or 6 for \$5. The goal for this year is the same as last year which is to have enough money to have 25 children participate. And we appreciate Detective Hunt, the Police Department, and all the other organizations such as the Quota Club for their participation as well. Just on a side note as well, the Fire Department did have their aerial inspection which is an annual inspection and it did pass inspection with very few issues which apparently is not always the case for other departments so we're fortunate to have a good mechanic on board that keeps up with maintenance and repairs. That's my report for this evening.
- C. Utilities Director Brediger: Thank you, Mr. President. With the finality of elections the past couple weeks, Congress still has a lot of work to do. And one of those issues is dealing with the pending fiscal cliff that we've all been reading about. One of the concerns that we have as a municipality and as a utility are one of the targets that are up for some of those budget concerns deals with tax exempt financing. As this body is aware, we do quite a bit, not only Utilities but the City issues a lot of tax exempt monies for street improvements, we see that for numerous Utility improvements and those tax exempt status of those bonds going forward are up on inside the radar scope so to speak with respect to areas where Congress feels that they can make some big in roads into help balance our budget. So, our association, State association, our National association is embarking on a grass roots effort to reach out to all our Congressman, write them letters kind of explain the situation and the importance of those tax exempt financing options for us in the future. To give you an idea of the magnitude of dollars we are looking at, the financing we have in place for our four hydro projects and our Prairie State project would cost us an excess of \$60 million dollars financed over the terms of those bonds if the tax exempt status would not have been available. We probably would have risked not even entering into some of these projects without that opportunity. So we are urging elected officials, finance directors, our community to reach out to our Congressman let them know there is other places to get that but that is a very important tool for the economic well being of this community and utility going forward. We do have a number of letters that will be coming out of this community as well as the other 2,000 public power communities in the United States. So they have a lot of work to do between now and then. That just being one of them but something that is pretty near and dear to our hearts. Other than that, that concludes my report for tonight.

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- D. Finance Director Strimlan: Thank you, Mr. President. I have no report this evening.
- E. Law Director Kirkbride: Thank you, Mr. President. As Mr. Corfman indicated, I will be working on the revisions to the dangerous and vicious dog ordinance and I'll be working with that committee to prepare the legislation that we'll bring forward, probably by the next meeting.
- F. Council President Baker: I have nothing special for this evening other than to wish everyone a Happy Thanksgiving. Be thankful that we live in this great country and the wonderful town that we have. We'll move to Old Business.

Old Business:

Leathers moved that Ordinance 0-12 be placed on second reading. Aspiras seconded. Roll call vote. All ayes. Motion carried.

ORDINANCE O-12, AN ORDINANCE CHANGING THE NAME OF ENTERPRISE DRIVE AS IT RUNS EAST AND WEST BETWEEN DAIRY LANE AND COMMERCE DRIVE IN THE CITY OF ORRVILLE, COUNTY OF WAYNE, STATE OF OHIO, TO VENTURE DRIVE.

Baker: We had our public hearing. Didn't hear anyone from the public. Does anyone have any further comments or questions? I see none.

Leathers moved that the rules, regulations, and statutes requiring the reading of an ordinance on three separate days be suspended. Hamsher seconded. Roll call vote. All ayes. Motion carried.

Leathers moved that Ordinance O-12 be adopted as read. Corfman seconded. Roll call vote. All ayes. Motion carried.

Leathers: That concludes tonight's old business, sir.

Baker: Thank you. We'll move to new business please.

New Business:

Leathers moved that Resolution 37-12 be placed on first reading. Miller seconded. Roll call vote. All ayes. Motion carried.

RESOLUTION 37-12, A RESOLUTION TO MAKE APPROPRIATIONS FOR CURRENT EXPENSES AND OTHER EXPENDITURES OF THE CITY OF ORRVILLE, STATE OF OHIO, DURING THE FISCAL YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 2013, AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY

Strimlan: Thank you, Mr. President. I trust that everyone received their Temporary Appropriations booklets last week for 2013. As you know these are temporary appropriations, they just allow us to expend funds for the first three months of next year. The Ohio Revised Code does allow us to pass temporary appropriations for the upcoming year with final appropriations being adopted by April 1st. That process does allow us to have a full year of expenditures and revenue data that we can review before we have to finalize 2013 appropriations. As Mr. Miller stated, they are exactly the same as our 2013 budget which we reviewed extensively at our workshop in June. The resolution does need to be passed by January 2nd but based on our schedule we have plenty of time to allow this to go the full three readings. That's all I have.

Baker: Anyone have any questions? We'll move on.

Leathers moved that Resolution 38-12 be placed on first reading. Corfman seconded. Roll call vote. All ayes. Motion carried.

RESOLUTION 38-12, A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE CITY OF ORRVILLE TO SELL BY INTERNET AUCTION, OR OTHERWISE DISPOSE OF, MUNICIPAL PERSONAL PROPERTY.

Wheeler: This is what I would refer to as just a housekeeping ordinance, resolution, excuse me. Just permitting us to utilize either eBay or Gov Deals in order to sell any kind of property that we may have available for sale by the City. We've been very fortunate in regard to the sales. Typically get prices that I really don't think we would get from a private auction and just push to continue to utilize those services in the future.

Miller: Thank you, Mr. President. The next resolution is very similar to it as well but I remember back in the day when we weren't doing this and we had like the live auctions and that kind of thing. We have saved a lot of money doing this.

Wheeler: We've saved a lot of money and I think we've made more money as well based on what I've been told from the research we've done. So it's paid off for us on both ends really.

Miller: Yes, it has. It really has.

Baker: Any other questions or comments?

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Corfman: Going back to when we did it, it was a lot of fun.

Wheeler: That probably was true, yes.

Corfman: I believe they were labor intensive and it cost. I mean, this is so much better and it has been several years now, 5, 6, 7 somewhere.

Mayor: Sorry to ruin your fun.

Corfman: You buy things you never thought you'd buy.

Baker: You can still bid.

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

Leathers moved that Resolution 38-12 be adopted as read. Miller seconded. Roll call vote. All ayes. Motion carried.

Leathers moved that Resolution 39-12 be place on first reading. Corfman seconded. Roll call vote. All ayes. Motion carried.

RESOLUTION 39-12, A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE CITY OF ORRVILLE TO SELL BY INTERNET AUCTION, OR OTHERWISE DISPOSE OF, UNCLAIMED OR FORFEITED PROPERTY HELD BY THE POLICE DEPARTMENT.

Wheeler: Same type of resolution. This just goes for unclaimed or forfeited police property which normally is bicycles to be honest with you. And again we have been very successful with the sale. You'd be amazed how far people will travel for a good deal on a bicycle too. They're out there and we've had very good luck. I don't know that we've ever not sold one to be honest with you. Typically we have bidders on all of those which I know in the past hasn't always been the case for us.

Baker: Any other comments?

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

Leathers moved that Resolution 39-12 be adopted as read. Aspiras seconded. Roll call vote. All ayes. Motion carried.

Leathers: That concludes tonight's new business and I'd like to wish everyone a Happy Thanksgiving.

Baker: Thank you. Anyone have any comments for the good of the order this evening?

Leathers moved to adjourn the council meeting and Shoup seconded. Roll call vote. Ayes all. Motion carried. Council was adjourned at 8:01 p.m.

Jeanne Gault, Clerk of Council

Date

Lyle Baker, President of Council