Council President Baker called the regular meeting to order.

Pastor Newt Brenneman of New Hope Church offered the prayer. The Pledge was recited by all.

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

Corfman moved and Aspiras seconded that the minutes of the June 18, 2012, regular meeting be accepted as documented. Roll call vote. All ayes. Motion carried.

# **Public Comment:** None.

#### **Standing Committee Reports:**

- A. Finance Mr. Miller: Last Monday we had a special meeting to have second reading on the 2013 budget. We also had a workshop on that budget and tonight we will have third reading of that and vote.
- B. Utilities Mr. Vance: One comment regarding Utilities and that meeting. I wanted to clarify something that was incorrectly reported in the newspaper regarding why the power plant operations have decreased here recently. It was reported that that was due to EPA restrictions or EPA fines, something similar to that, and we had discussed at length that the reason the power plant has reduced operations was because natural gas prices are historically low. They have fallen some 41% since last November so the power plant has rather suddenly now switched over to purchasing power from the Fremont Energy Center at a cost that's lower than what we can generate it here ourselves. So that's the reason why the power plant has reduced operations and that has what has affected the Water Utility's budget because the power plant is the Water Utility's largest customer so that has put a lot of pressure on the Water Utility budget. So just want to provide that clarification. Thank you.
- C. Health & Safety Mr. Corfman: I have no report. Although I wish the best of the week for our safety forces both fire and police departments in dealing with our upcoming festival. I hope everybody has a good time.
- D. Parks and Recreation Mr. Aspiras: The Parks and Recreations Committee met just prior to this council session. The topic for discussion was the Wayne County Rails to Trails putting in a trail from Orrville to Clinton and there was a lot of information that was shared in this committee meeting. Particularly the Wayne County Rails to Trail organization wanting Orrville to assume ownership so they are looking at transfer ownership of one section of that trail and that trail would run from northeast side of the Industrial Park to just east of Marshallville Packing. I believe that's on Market Street in Marshallville. So there was a lot of good information that was shared. It looks promising. And there will be more information and more on that as the days go by. That's all I have on the committee meeting. That was just the single item. As far as Orr Park and what's going on this week as Mr. Corfman said, a lot going on Orrville 4<sup>th</sup> of July celebration week. That kicks off tomorrow at 6 o'clock with the parade, 7 o'clock. And 6 o'clock for the carnival. Thank you. And then obviously a lot going on in between there and Saturday and the fireworks Saturday night. Mr. Wheeler will share some more information for a lot of the details going on within the park this week. Hot days of summer here. I know there is a lot of people using the pool and the park. These are those days. Get out there and enjoy Orrville's parks and recreations areas.
- E. Transportation Mr. Shupp had no report.
- F. Planning Mr. Hamsher: We have been, as a City, looking at our Comprehensive Plan, our 10 year update. The last 10 months or so we've had a citizen's committee as well as various City officials go through and analyze Orrville and how it runs and where we want it to go for the next 10 years. And we would like the public to come in on Thursday the 19<sup>th</sup>, that's a couple of weeks from now. We are going to have an open house at Heartland Point. It's the third Thursday, Main Street Orrville Third Thursday, we are tagging along with them. They're a great supporter of Orrville as well. And we're having an Ice Cream Social there. We want Orrville to come out and recommend or tell us what you think Orrville should do in the next 10 years and how we should improve, how we should spend your tax dollars, so we can make Orrville a better place than what it is currently. Although I think it's pretty great right now. We

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are going to improve as much as we can. And then the next morning, the 20<sup>th</sup>, we're going to have Business Before Breakfast at Heartland Point as well. That's at 7 am so you can double dip, you can have ice cream and breakfast with City information. You can't get much better than that.

Handwerk: I think that usually starts around 7:30, doesn't it in the morning?

Hamsher: 7:30, okay. But you can be there at 7 if you like.

Handwerk: Sure.

Hamsher: Mr. VanSickle will be entertaining.

VanSickle: No charge.

Miller: You get what you pay for.

G. Ordinance & Personnel – Ms. Leathers: Tonight I would like to amend the agenda to delete Resolution 23-12, that's item "D" in the New Business. There is some changes that need to be made to that legislation before it can be introduced to Council. I move that we amend the Agenda. Second Mr. Hamsher. Roll call vote. All ayes. Motion Carried.

#### Special Committee Reports: None.

#### **Administrative Reports:**

A. Mayor Handwerk: I have a few items tonight. First of all I'd like to ask Council's approval to appoint Cheryl Kirkbride as our new Law Director. Vance motioned. Hamsher seconded. Roll call vote. All ayes. Motion carried

I thank you for that and would also like to thank Tim VanSickle for his service to the City as his time with us as Law Director. He will actually be leaving us to become a magistrate for the Wayne County Juvenile Court system. We wish you well in your new job and again thank you for the time that you've spent with us. Good luck in that endeavor. Also as mentioned the 4<sup>th</sup> of July festivities we hope everyone enjoys everything starting with the parade tomorrow and carnival and on into the fireworks on Saturday. Just a reminder for those track and pole vault buffs out there, we do have the Carnival Vault again this year which last year actually was pretty exciting. They are doing that Friday night this year. I believe the younger kids are going to start around 4:00 with the elite pole vaulters hopefully starting about 7 and that will probably go till 9:30 or 10 they think. Last year they had a 16 ft vaulter. Actually a guy was going for 17 feett so it's pretty interesting to see. Last week I attended the Ohio Mayor's Association annual conference. They do rotate that from time to time. It's held in Columbus more often than not but last year it was in Lancaster, Ohio. This year it was in Westlake, Ohio. Some very good sessions up there. It was Wednesday, Thursdays, and then Friday morning. Bu there were session on public records, and things about those liability, construction reform, crisis communication, current legislative issues, labor relations, collective bargaining there was a session on that. Also hydraulic fracturing process which Mr. Locher and I were, and Mr. Wheeler, we were all at the seminar that Wayne College had last week on the same topic. Lots of interest in that all over the state of Ohio right now. It hasn't exactly taken off everywhere in Ohio yet like it certainly has in Pennsylvania but all indications are that within the next year it certainly will. And we've seen some indication already slowly of things going on with that in our area. And there are places in Ohio that are very busy with it already. And then there was one last session on pension reform too. It was a very good session but as always it was good to be back home and it only takes talking to a few mayors in those kind of sessions to realize we are pretty lucky right here in Orrville and glad to be back. And then lastly, also last week, we had a very exciting time with Venture Products ground breaking for their new facility. They are hoping to be under roof by early winter. That will be nice. I don't think everything will be done but at least they're going to be under production out there hopefully by December. So we're really excited for that company and the Steiner family and we hope everything goes well with that.

B. Safety Service Director Wheeler: As Mr. Aspiras mentioned the parade is tomorrow at 7:00 p.m. Also the carnival does kick off tomorrow as well. It runs from Tuesday through Saturday. The fireworks of course are Saturday night July 7<sup>th</sup>. And the softball tournament, the 14U tournament, which is very popular now and has 44 teams this year, is July 5<sup>th</sup> through the 7<sup>th</sup> Thursday through Saturday. For a full schedule of all the other stuff going on, visit orrville.com and you can find that information on there. Also the trash schedule has been pushed back one day this week due to the Independence Day. So Thursday pickups are now Friday. Friday pickups are now Saturday. Orr Pool has some additional public swim hours this weekend for the 4<sup>th</sup> of July celebration so starting July 5<sup>th</sup> through July 7<sup>th</sup> they are open

from 10 a.m. till 12 pm for public swim. The June 29<sup>th</sup> Family Movie Night showing of Dolphin Tale unfortunately was rained out. That has been rescheduled for Friday, July 13<sup>th</sup>. And there is no Orrville Performing Arts concert scheduled this week due to the 4<sup>th</sup> of July festivities. But the next scheduled concert is next Thursday, July 12, and it features the Orrville Area Adult Community Band. Also we did do the bid openings on Mineral Springs last, I guess two Friday's ago already. And we are hopeful to begin construction mid- to late-July on that project. We did receive our paperwork from the Ohio Public Works Commission this week, today actually, as well so we're waiting for notice to proceed and we will be able to move forward on that project. We do ask everyone to be cautious of the Mineral Springs-Ella intersection which is our initial project area going west to the elementary school exit and please avoid this area if possible when that construction starts. I'd also like to thank our Law Director Tim VanSickle for his service to the City and wish him good luck with his new position.

C. Utilities Director Brediger: Out of town this evening.

- D. Finance Director Strimlan: You should have received from the audit manager of the State a draft copy of the City's basic financial statements. The audit report package as well as the management letter and verbal agenda issues for the post audit meeting that is scheduled for tomorrow at 10 a.m. that is for City Council and also the City Administration. You're all invited to attend. If you didn't receive that information let me know and I can get a copy of it to you. I will also be distributing CAFR to you at a later date. If you have any questions or would like any additional information about the audit, please feel free to give me a call at any time.
- E. Law Director Van Sickle: As the former law director, I have no report.
- F. Council President Baker: I would like to congratulate you on the work that you've done for the City. And I wish you good luck in your new position. Hopefully it will last you a long time, maybe longer than this did or maybe you're going to move on to bigger and better things. Who knows what may happen next for you. I would like to wish all of our residents a safe and happy 4<sup>th</sup> of July. Just remember that due to the popularity of our fireworks and our carnival there will be a lot of extra people in town so please keep that in mind for the safe drivers that all of you I'm sure will be. Make sure that you watch out for all those extra people that may not know where the next turn is going to happen.

# **Old Business:**

Leathers moved that Resolution 19-12 be placed on third reading. Miller seconded. Roll call vote. All ayes. Motion carried.

RESOLUTION 19-12, A RESOLUTION APPROVING THE BUDGET FOR THE CITY OF ORRVILLE, OHIO, FOR THE CALENDAR YEAR 2013, AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

Baker: Ms. Strimlan, I know we've already had this read twice.

Strimlan: We did.

Baker: And we've had a special meeting.

Strimlan: We did.

Baker: Anything to add for us?

Strimlan: I believe that we answered all of the questions at the workshop we had on the 25<sup>th</sup>. I just want to thank everyone for the time that they put into budgets and also City Council for their efforts in reviewing the budget thoroughly.

Vance: I really enjoyed the workshop last Monday. And I just think that we're extremely fortunate, extremely blessed here in Orrville with the teamwork that we have in our community, the partnership we have with our industrial partners and businesses and the new ventures that are starting. That has really made a big impact in our finances. I know a couple of months ago we had a lot of discussion about our finances and general fund in particular. At that time we were looking at a potential deficit in 2014 of nearly \$500,000. And it was reported at that meeting that that deficit has been pushed off a year now until 2015 which gives us a lot of time to begin to look at some ways to streamline and hopefully the positive trends will continue for the City. But I see us in a good pattern now of making good decisions now so that difficult decisions won't have to be made later. And I'm very appreciative for the administration and all their work and efforts into putting that into effect. I was surprised to read in the paper that I had suggested we meet weekly to address this deficit and I said nothing of the sort. If anyone has that impression I don't. But I was very satisfied with the answers that I had. I did ask if we should be taking steps now to avert a deficit in 2015 and the response was that we are doing everything

we can to conserve on costs, to rein in spending. And that there are plans that are in place should we start to get closer to that date and need to make some adjustments that there has been some thought and time and effort that has been put into that. I feel very good about that and once again emphasized my view that we should not be looking to an income tax increase to cover any projected deficit. The administration answered that that's their approach as well. I was very encouraged by our meeting last time and just the direction that the City is going and just very thankful for the good fortune that we have had.

Corfman: Thank you Mrs. Strimlan for getting the answers to my concerns and people that needed to get those answers to me. I appreciate the communication.

Strimlan: You're welcome.

Leathers moved that Resolution 19-12 be adopted as read. Miller seconded. Roll call vote. All ayes. Motion carried.

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

#### **New Business:**

Leathers moved that Resolution 20-12 be place on first reading. Corfman seconded. Roll call vote. All ayes. Motion carried.

RESOLUTION 20-12, A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE BOARD OF CONTROL TO ENTER INTO AN AGREEMENT AND/OR AGREEMENTS WITH THE STATE OF OHIO PURCHASING COOPERATIVE, DEPARTMENT OF ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES, TO PURCHASE ONE (1) 2012 FORD F250 4WD PICKUP TRUCK WITH EXTENDED CAB; OR ALTERNATIVELY TO PURCHASE SAID VEHICLE FROM ANOTHER DEALER UPON EQUIVALENT TERMS, CONDITIONS, AND SPECIFICATIONS, BUT AT A LOWER PRICE THAN IT CAN BE PURCHASED THROUGH THE STATE CONTRACT AS ALLOWED BY OHIO REVISED CODE SECTION 125.04; OR ALTERNATIVELY TO ADVERTISE FOR BIDS AND ENTER INTO AN AGREEMENT AND/OR AGREEMENTS FOR SAID PURCHASE, AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

Leathers: And that was Mr. VanSickle's last stab at me before he leaves.

Wheeler: This is actually a revision to Resolution 17-12. This is not a request for a second truck for the year. As we moved forward with the potential purchase, this Ohio Revised Code section does allow us to purchase vehicles below State pricing and would allow us to purchase the vehicle locally from White Ford in this particular case below the price of State purchasing. So in working with Mr. VanSickle we thought it would be best to add that language to the resolution to allow some additional flexibility. If we do buy it at below the State Purchasing price it actually would save us about \$1,000. It's at \$1500 below what it's been bid at in recent years in well. So there's some additional opportunity there to save money for us. I am requesting that this be approved tonight so that we can move forward with a purchase of a 2012 F250 rather than have to move forward with a 2013.

Leathers moved that the rules, regulations, and statutes requiring a reading of a resolution on three separate days be suspended. Hamsher seconded. Roll call vote. All ayes. Motion carried. Leathers moved that Resolution 20-12 be adopted as read. Corfman seconded. Roll call vote. All ayes. Motion carried.

Leathers moved that Resolution 21-12 be place on first reading. Corfman seconded. Roll call vote. All ayes. Motion carried.

RESOLUTION 21-12, A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE BOARD OF CONTROL TO ADVERTISE FOR BIDS AND ENTER INTO A CONTRACT AND/OR CONTRACTS FOR THE REPAIR AND RESURFACING OF BROOKWOOD COURT, CLOVERIDGE DRIVE, AND VIKING AVENUE IN THE CITY OF ORRVILLE, OHIO AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

Wheeler: As the resolution states, we are requesting permission to move forward with going out for bids on Brookwood Court, Viking and Cloveridge. My thought process moving forward was to advertise Brookwood and Viking with Cloveridge as an add-on just to be sure they all come in within the engineer's estimate. The engineer's estimate is that they'll come in below \$500,000 for all three. If that's the case then I will move forward with awarding that so long as Council is comfortable with that. If we award it at less than \$500,000 and based on the 5 year estimate from our finance director we will still have the recommended amount within our Capital Fund over the next 5 years based on our 5 year capital plan which is in existence right

now. I do foresee us being able to do it within the existing budget as there's the potential there that one of the projects will not be completed this year that has budgeted for this year. So potentially won't even have to amend the budget as well. And this is for base repair and then an asphalt overlay of those three streets. I would request approval as quickly as possible as this project will need to be advertised and get out there so that we can get it done this year.

Vance: Mr. Wheeler, I believe, at least Viking, is a concrete street?

Wheeler: All three currently are concrete streets.

Vance: I remember at one point on our capital improvements list that just Viking alone would have been \$1.2 million.

Wheeler: Between the three of these, and I don't have, I probably do have it in this folder somewhere but I believe its well over \$2 million for the three streets.

Handwerk: That was to change it back to concrete.

Wheeler: If you were to do them all in concrete, replaced. Correct. And maybe even more now because there is really nothing left to save of those, on a large portion of those anyway.

Vance: I just wanted to point out the difference in cost between the two.

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

Leathers moved that Resolution 21-12 be adopted as read. Miller seconded. Roll call vote. All ayes. Motion carried.

Leathers moved that Resolution 22-12 be place on first reading. Corfman seconded. Roll call vote. All ayes. Motion carried.

RESOLUTION 22-12, A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE SAFETY – SERVICE DIRECTOR TO PREPARE AND SUBMIT AN APPLICATION TO PARTICIPATE IN THE OHIO PUBLIC WORKS COMMISSION STATE CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM FOR GRANT FUNDS AND/OR AGREEMENTS AS REQUIRED TO OBTAIN SAID FUNDS, AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

Wheeler: Believe it or not as we move forward on one OPWC project with Mineral Springs it's time to submit an application for next year's already which is Ella Street. Ella Street we do estimate the cost approximately \$1 million dollars which will include engineering. Our share of that will be \$500,000. We will request a \$500,000 OPWC grant for that 50/50 match. And we are just getting ready to prepare that application and request approval this evening.

Vance: Just one question, the surface of that street will be?

Wheeler: It will be curb and gutter with asphalt. And sidewalks as well.

Shupp: Mr. Wheeler is it going to be pretty extensive storm sewer.

Wheeler: There will be complete under drainage included in that project which of course is why, when you considered all the additional infrastructure that's one of the reason it's going to be a million dollar project.

Shupp: That's why the cost is out there on this project. Thank you.

Leathers: And the timing on that project? Any idea? I realize it's a grant thing but.

Wheeler: Most likely would fall under the same cycle as this current one. We are going to work with the schools still and as well as the State and try to come up with a good time frame there and try to make it as least painful as possible though there will definitely be some pain involved in regards to the traffic.

Leathers: We're getting used to the pain.

Handwerk: We've got to get it first. The grant. That's not a guarantee.

Wheeler: And that's the big thing. We have been very successful with the OPCW grants and we're hopeful for at least one additional year of success.

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

Leathers moved that Resolution 22-12 be adopted as read. Hamsher seconded. Roll call vote. All ayes. Motion carried.

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

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# **Good of the Order:**

Mayor: I just wanted to point out for the record that Cheryl Kirkbride was here tonight at our meeting and she will be taking the law director's seat at our next Council meeting. And we appreciate her work already. She's had to step in a few times for us this past week as Tim's job yanked him away from us pretty quick there. We appreciate Cheryl stepping in this week and helping out already. I just wanted to make that known.

Vance: I'm a little concerned the girls are having illusions of some additional girl power now. Just a little concerned about that so I'm counting on you guys especially to keep them.

Baker: I asked them what they are going to do different since they had more women and they couldn't come up with anything except they were going to celebrate.

Shupp: Possibly some flowers in front of us here.

Leathers moved to adjourn the council meeting and Aspiras seconded. Roll call vote. Ayes all. No carried. Council was adjourned at 8:01 p.m.	
Jeanne Gault, Clerk of Council	 Date
Lyle Baker, President of Council	