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Council President Baker called the regular meeting to order.

Dave Barber from Orrville Ministerial Association offered the prayer. The Pledge was recited by all.

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

Absent: Hamsher. (Arrived at 7:45 p.m.)

Aspiras moved that the minutes of the November 18, 2013, regular meeting be accepted as documented. Shupp seconded. Roll call vote. Vance abstained. All remaining yeas; motion carried.

Public Comment: None.

Standing Committee Reports:

A. Finance – Mr. Miller: Thank you, Mr. President. Tonight will be second reading on the 2014 Temporary Appropriations and it will go three readings. That's all I have.

B. Utilities – Mr. Vance: No report.

C. Health & Safety – Mr. Corfman: Thank you, Mr. President. The Great Ohio Bicycle Adventure also known as GOBA has announced their route. And on Sunday night June 15th, they will spend their night here in Orrville at Wayne College. So we will have roughly 3,000 people coming into our town helping us celebrate our 150th year. We've got plenty of time to plan for that but it will bring a lot of people. That's all.

D. Parks and Recreation – Mr. Aspiras: I do have a question for Mr. Corfman. That's great GOBA is coming to town this year. What is the duration? Corfman: One day. Coming from Mansfield. They stay Sunday night here at Wayne College. There will be plenty of opportunities for our non-profits in town to set up services, Boy Scouts haul gear, sell food, supper, stuff like that. Aspiras: And I have no report for tonight.

E. Transportation – Mr. Shupp: No report.

F. Planning – Mr. Hamsher: Absent.

G. Ordinance & Personnel – Ms. Leathers: Thank you, Mr. President. Ordinance & Personnel has no report but I do have it on good authority that today is the Mayor's birthday so we would all like to wish him a Happy Birthday. That's all I have.

Special Committee Reports: None.

Administrative Reports:

A. Mayor Handwerk: Thank you, Mr. President. I would like to just mention that our Home for the Holidays was certainly a well-attended event. If you were down there Friday night you know the streets of downtown were pretty well packed and a lot of our businesses were very full. We had people waiting in long lines to get into some of them. It's amazing what people will do to get a

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cupcake but it was very nice. Certainly want to thank all those businesses that participated in that not only the ones that open their doors to allow people in their business downtown but also all the other satellite businesses around town that helped by bringing food in and being partly sponsors there in the businesses downtown. Once again, very fine night and we certainly appreciate the fire fighters with the extra special event that we had this year helping to kick off our 150th anniversary with the fireworks. Couldn't have been more perfect, the weather, I was really worried about that all week because I know Ron Ballentine said we can't have wind and if you remember the last 10 days that's about all we've had every day is wind. And we had a perfect evening for it, the fireworks were great, really a lot of fun. We appreciate all the hard work that those guys did and the Chamber for their financial backing of that special part. I believe that's all I have. Thank you.

- B. Safety Service Director Wheeler: Thank you, Mr. President. The weather put a little twist into the leaf pickup last week so as a result we are backed up a little bit on leaf pickup. We did resume today with continuing through the city and obviously will continue through until all the leaves are picked up. If you happen to see your neighbor getting theirs picked up and for some reason you feel like you've been skipped by all means give us a call 330-684-5060 and we'll make sure we get out there and get your leaves picked up. Basically got to keep going until we get it wrapped up. Schrock Road, we do expect the contractor in this week to install the guardrail at both the east and west end of Schrock. The work should take 1-2 days. It will back up Back Orrville that will go down to one lane temporarily for some of that work. But we'll definitely get word out once we have the schedule of the contractor. Also Shop with a Cop is Saturday, December 14. We will be taking 25 students this year which we have been fortunate to do the last few years. We are actually going to the Wooster Wal-Mart this year which is a little different than in years past. Tickets are still available at \$1 each and can be purchased at the Police Department, Mrs. J's, or Cabana Sun. We've had great reception already to the sale of the tickets so we hope to continue the program for many years. Work on Lakeview, Magnolia and Primrose continues. The base work has been complete. The basin work is still ongoing. The final overlay will be done, I would believe at this point most likely in the springtime assuming the weather continues as it is. That's my report for tonight.
- C. Utilities Director Brediger: Thank you, Mr. President. At the November 25 Utility Board meeting the board did approve a slight modification to the power cost adjustment factor for the third quarter of this year. As a result of that we will see about, on a residential bill, those bills increasing about 40¢ a month. That increase will take effect December 15. With that, that's all I have this evening.
- D. Finance Director Strimlan: No report.
- E. Law Director Kirkbride: Thank you, Mr. President. The only thing of note is I had sent an email to each of the Council members. If you did not receive that maybe you could let me know after the meeting, basically with instructions on how to transfer your Orrville.com email address or forward that to your personal or business email. That's all I have.

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- F. Council President Baker: For my report this evening I have one item. For the Fireman's Dependency Board Council needs to pass a motion to appoint two members to that board for 2014. Those two members are Ed Hershey and William Earnsberger. Corfman moved to appoint Mr. Earnsberger and Mr. Hershey to the Board. Vance seconded. Roll call vote; all ayes; motion carried. Baker: That's all I have for this evening. We'll move to Old Business, Ms. Leathers.

Old Business:

Leathers moved that Resolution 48-13 be place on third reading. Vance seconded. Roll call vote; all yeas; motion carried. **RESOLUTION NO. 48-13**, A Resolution to change the pay grade of the Marketing Manager as set forth in the Supervisory, Management, Technical and Professional classifications of the City of Orrville, Ohio, and repealing all legislation inconsistent therewith.

Corfman: Thank you, Mr. President. We've had a lot of discussions, probably one of the harder decisions we have. I understand the congruent workings of the different applications of this job but I just don't see where we can justify, the results just don't justify the move. That's all I have.

Aspiras: Thank you, Mr. President. I'd like to share some information with Council before we vote. (Councilman Aspiras read from a prepared statement which is attached.) Councilman Hamsher arrived during Aspiras statement.

Shupp: I would like to thank Ricardo for a well put report and statement and I felt that a lot of this information should have been out in the public's eye many weeks ago instead of handled the way it was. But I thank you for making it public. That's it.

Leathers moved that Resolution 48-13 be adopted as read. Vance seconded. Roll call vote: Ayes, Leathers, Vance, Hamsher; nays, Aspiras, Corfman, Shupp, Miller. Motion defeated 4-3.

Leathers moved that Resolution 53-13 be place on second reading. Miller seconded. Roll call vote; all yeas; motion carried. **RESOLUTION NO. 53-13**, 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, 2014, and declaring an emergency.

Leathers: And that one will go for three readings, sir. And that concludes tonight's Old Business.

New Business:

Leathers moved that Resolution 54-13 be place on first reading. Aspiras seconded. Roll call vote; all yeas; motion carried. **RESOLUTION NO. 54-13**, A Resolution to accept the recommendations of the Orrville Tax Incentive Review Council regarding tax abatements for companies located in the City of Orrville.

Baker: Any discussion on this one?

Wheeler: Thank you, Mr. President. The Tax Incentive Review Council met on November 20th. They did review the annual report for 2012 of the companies listed within the resolution. As noted in the resolution all of them are moved to continue except for two are moved to amend. One was just the change in the number of jobs even though the salaries affiliated with the number of jobs remain the same for Orrvilon. And the other was GIR Holdings & Will-Burt whereas Will-Burt has assumed ownership of that building so GIR Holdings is no longer affiliated with that agreement. Other than that

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the others met and/or exceeded the requirements of the abatements. Obviously we review this annually and the reports come back to us in April of 2014 for the '13 year. This is an annual resolution.

Shupp: Thank you, Mr. President. On the Orrvilon, Inc., what was the original amount of jobs that was in the original tax abatement?

Wheeler: The original was they were going to retain 100 and create 102. The Tax Incentive Review Council asked if they could retain 100 and instead of the 102, make it 58. But the salary remains the same for the 58 as opposed to the 102.

Shupp: Okay. I think I follow that.

Wheeler: So if you were to look right now, right now instead of 202 in the plant, there is 160.

Shupp: There's 160?

Wheeler: 160.

Shupp: Okay. Thank you.

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 yeas; motion carried.

Leathers moved that Resolution 54-13 be adopted as read. Aspiras seconded. Roll call vote; all yeas; motion carried.

Leathers moved that Resolution 55-13 be place on first reading. Corfman seconded. Roll call vote; all yeas; motion carried. **RESOLUTION NO. 55-13**, A Resolution authorizing the Director of Safety and Service to enter into a contract to provide for tax abatement for real property for Jarrett Companies, Inc. and declaring an emergency.

Baker: Mr. Wheeler.

Wheeler: Thank you, Mr. President. This is an abatement request from Jarrett Companies for 1330 North Main Street which is adjacent to Zephyr's. This is the large portion which they demolished the front portion and the shell of the back portion still remains. They are requesting a 10 year, 50% tax abatement and they do expect to spend approximately \$2 million for remodeling. Mrs. Jarrett is here tonight and actually has a conceptual drawing for everyone to see so you can sort of see what they have in mind, the finished product may look like. According to Jarra Underwood the Wayne County Auditor, the estimated exemption is about \$23,000 in annual savings with obviously \$23,000 of payment multiplied by 10 years is \$230,000 in tax exemptions over the 10 year period.

Baker: Anyone have any questions? Mrs. Jarrett you can come up and make a presentation.

Diane Jarrett: Thank you. What I have here is just a rendering of the architectural rendering of what the plaza would look like. This is the north end here where Zephyr's is currently located. As you can see the brick facing south would be re-faced. And then it would make room for about 8-10 store fronts facing west. We have spoken to parties who are interested in space there and we look forward to getting the reconstruction going as quickly as possible with winter setting in. I can take any questions that anybody might have.

Aspiras: So where the building is setback currently is that where the new buildings will start?

Jarrett: That is correct.

Aspiras: So the whole front of that parking will still remain parking.

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Jarrett: It will remain parking. If you recall when ACV was there the building was situated quite close to the road and the parking was also. That will be brought back some. The current parking that we have in front of Zephyr's will not exist any longer and will be replaced by a sidewalk. So it will be nice to see all that property getting off of 57 a little bit. We will reconstruct it. Any other questions?

Handwerk: We certainly thank you and your husband both for all continued investment that you put into Orrville. You've got good vision and we look forward to seeing what happens down there. Thank you.

Jarrett: Thank you.

Baker: Thank you Mrs. Jarrett. Anyone have any other comments?

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Leathers moved that Resolution 55-13 be adopted as read. Corfman seconded. Roll call vote; all yeas; motion carried.

Leathers: And that concludes tonight's New Business, sir.

Baker: Thank you ma'am. Anyone have anything for the good of the order this evening?

Leathers moved to adjourn the council meeting and Hamsher seconded. Roll call vote. Yeas all. Motion carried. Council was adjourned at 7:58 p.m.

Jeanne Gault, Clerk of Council

Date

Lyle Baker, President of Council