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Council President Baker requested the newly elected and re-elected council members to approach Law Director Kirkbride to be sworn in.

Law Director Kirkbride conducted the swearing in of newly elected Councilman Wilson and re-elected council persons Hamsher, Leathers and Vance.

Council President Baker called the regular meeting to order.

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

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

President Baker requested a motion to appoint Jeanne Gault as Clerk of Council for the 2014 year. Leathers so moved. Aspiras seconded. Roll call vote; all yeas; motion carried.

President Baker requested a motion to approve Julie Leathers as President Pro-Tem for the 2014 year. Vance so moved. Hamsher seconded. Roll call vote; all yeas; motion carried.

Corfman moved and Vance seconded that the minutes of the December 16, 2013, regular meeting be approved as posted. Roll call vote; Hamsher abstained, all remaining yeas; motion carried.

Public Comment: None.

Standing Committee Reports:

Finance – Mr. Aspiras: No report Utilities – Mr. Corfman: No report

Health & Safety – Mr. Vance: No report but would like to meet with Safety Service Director Wheeler and the OFD and OPD about issues they might be facing and get up to speed with the activities and things they're going to do this year.

Parks and Recreation – Mr. Wilson: No report.

Transportation – Mr. Shupp: Thank you, Mr. President. I have no report but I would like to mention I think the road crews did a great job on the weekend snow storm and stuff we just went through. Thank you.

Planning – Mr. Hamsher: No report.

Ordinance & Personnel – Ms. Leathers: No report.

Special Committee Reports: None.

Administrative Reports:

Mayor Handwerk: Thank you, Mr. President. I have just a couple items tonight. The first one is our January employee of the month and that is John Ashcraft from our Service Department. John has been employed with the City of Orrville since October of 1998 and has recently celebrated his 15th year with the City. John has worked in all the divisions of the Service Department and has extensive experience helping with the maintenance of our parks and cemetery. John also is the primary person responsible for maintenance and upkeep of the City Compost Center. John desires to further improve his skills and abilities has been evident this year with his helping attitude and increased awareness of vehicles and equipment operation safety while working with any of the crews. As a result of his solid efforts, many assignments were safely completed. John retired from the Orrville Fire Department in 2012 after 22 years serving as a volunteer firefighter. John is a graduate of Chippewa High School, and resides in Orrville with his wife Daphne, who was recently appointed to the Orrville Public Library Director position, their three sons, and a daughter. And we thank John for being part of our team. We have not gotten together yet to eat lunch yet so I don't know where we're going to be going for that. Secondly, last council meeting, Council Members, I did bring you quite a list of people that needed your approval for different committees and commissions and so forth. I did, for several reasons, omit two of them. One of them I couldn't get a hold of that person and the other one I just had asked him a month or two ago and I forgot to put him on the list last week. So I would ask your approval for two more tonight and then I have one other one that we're change. So the first would be to approve Brad Strasbaugh to another term on Utility Board. Aspiras motions. Second by Corfman. Roll call vote; all ayes; motion carried. Mayor: I thank you for that. Brad has done a very nice job with us on the Utility Board his first term. And then secondly, Lauri Besancon to the Board of Zoning Appeals. Vance motioned and seconded by Hamsher. Roll call vote; all ayes; motion carried. Mayor: And Lauri has also served on term on that already and again has done a nice job with that. The other one is not a position that needs Council's

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approval but again I wanted to let you know of the change of the Nuisance Abatement Committee. We had a Mike Smith that had served on there. And this is the committee that really we felt like we had to have in place but we've never had to call that committee yet. So they have not met even though we've had it for several years. I was unable to get a hold of him so I went ahead asked Ron Desecker if he would serve in that position. Ron having been on the Sheriff's department for a number of years, an official for lots of years would be fine at making those kinds of decisions if we ever get to that point where we need to do that. He was another person that said he would be willing to do that. And that's all I have.

Safety Service Director Wheeler: Thank you, Mr. President. Obviously all of our remaining projects are at a standstill due to the weather. We will restart on Lakeview, Primrose and Magnolia in the spring. Raspberry is still in the hands of the Norfolk Southern and the rest have been completed. That's my report for tonight. Dealing with the cold and the salt and the roads.

Utilities Director Brediger: Thank you, Mr. President. Just a few departmental updates. The turbine generator overhaul on turbine #10 continues with the reassembly of that unit. We expect to have that work done by the end of the month. The cold snap that we're currently in and will be in for the next day or so will probably establish a new peak for us on our transmission system. Our transmission system operator has issued a conservation alert for tomorrow between 6 and 10 AM, that's in our region. That's actually a multiple state region. These alerts are mainly meant to alert customers to take some proactive steps to reduce energy consumption during that time to avoid higher transmission costs that will be set when these new peaks are set and to kind of lower the risk of any interruption of the power supply not that we expect any of that but they do put us on notice when we see that there are limitations or concerns on the bulk transmission system. You may have noticed we did have a couple of water leaks on High Street in front of Dairy Queen the week of Christmas. Those have been repaired. Those street plates will remain in place until the weather conditions improve so we can make more permanent surface repairs to the street. Despite our hiatus in global warming it's still not too late to sign up for the AMP Natural Gas Aggregation program. You can sign up for that at any time. It is still the lowest rate in town and that is through October 2014. I did distribute some information from AMP concerning a public utilities power certification course. In that handout it describes a lot more in detail what that course is all about. It's a great opportunity for councils and boards to learn a little bit more about the electric utility industry. This is the first time this course has been offered. A few of the courses that are on the first two bullet points have been longer more extensive programs that some staff has already participated in. It will be especially useful during these upcoming challenging times that we're going to have and I would really recommend that this may be something, especially more for our utility committee members. But certainly anyone on council and our utility boards and administration is welcome to sign up for those. If you have any interest in that or have any questions, just let me know. The sign up deadline for that is January 24. I will be in Washington DC this Thursday for an EPA meeting concerning some regulations that will be impacting some of our long term power supply projects and some potential future projects that we may have under consideration at the power plant. Following that meeting I do have appointments set up with Senator Portman and Senator Brown's staff to discuss some other issues that are of importance to the community. Also joining me for that EPA meeting will be Marc Gerken, President and CEO of AMP and Mayor Rick Humrighausen the Mayor of the City of Dover. And other than that I welcome everybody to 2014. We will have a busy year this year. That concludes my report.

Finance Director Strimlan: Thank you, Mr. President. I have no report this evening. I will have some updates at our next meeting about income tax and the audit as those issues arise in the next few months. Thank you.

Law Director Kirkbride: No report.

Council President Baker: For me, I'd like to welcome those that have been re-elected and especially welcome Mr. Wilson our newest elected member of Council and I would like to remind everyone to make sure you stay after our meeting is adjourned because we need to get our picture taken. I'm glad everybody came dressed and beautiful. We have no old business scheduled for this evening so we'll move to new business, Ms. Leathers.

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Old Business: None New Business:

Leathers moved that Ordinance A-14 be placed on first reading. Hamsher seconded. Roll call vote; all yeas; motion carried. **ORDINANCE A-14**, An Ordinance changing the name of Mineral Spring Street as it runs east and west parallel to High Street in the City of Orrville, County of Wayne, State of Ohio, to Education Lane.

Hamsher: We have addressed this a couple times. It was first brought to the Mayor I believe in 2005 or

Mayor: It was after the 2010 reunion.

Hamsher: 2010, sorry, 2010. And at that point we talked about it, it kind of died and was reintroduced to me by a citizen about changing the name in front of the high school to Red Rider at that point Way or Road or something. Council had a meeting. We talked about different names. We finally have settled on as far as Planning Committee Red Rider Drive. The cost to the City is zero dollars. A private individual stepped up to say it will pay to replace the signs. The schools and businesses, the Boys Club and Orrville Schools, have been contacted and they are absolutely fine with the change. No homeowner, when we had Planning Commission meeting no homeowners or businesses came in opposition. It's, I think it's a nice benefit for the community for us to, we're not alone. In a short 10 minute search I found a minimum of 15 other schools in the state, at least, that have a similar Blaze Drive, Mountie Drive, some kind of name in honor, I guess, of their schools. The petition has been received by Council and Administration from 45-ish if I remember right. I have had contact with about 50 plus people and I have had zero negative comments.

Baker: Any other discussion?

Aspiras: I'd just like to share a few things. I have concerns about this legislation. I believe these two ordinances, Ordinance A-14 and B-14, Mineral Springs and Ella is a product and result of considering two choices. And those two choices are we leave the signs as is. Those signs have been up there 117 years and 85 years respectively. Or we take those signs down and we replace them with Red Rider Drive and Educational Lane. Those are the two choices on this legislation. The third choice that I don't believe this legislation is a product and result of is the third choice of a commemorative sign. The commemorative sign, I'm sure you guys are aware of what a commemorative sign is, it's an addition. You don't take down the current sign you add Red Rider Drive or Educational Lane right beside that. It gives you, both of them will stay, gives you flexibility of size, color, whatever you want. And, I know that Mr. Shupp called a Transportation Committee meeting back in 2010. And he actually, I'll read the report that Mr. Shupp had from that Transportation Committee meeting in 2010 because the direction of City Council back in 2010 was to move with the commemorative sign. So here I'll read the minutes. Mr. Shupp reported the committee met last Monday night at 7 p.m. on October 11. The first item of discussion was the name changes of Mineral Springs and North Ella. After the discussion it was decided to go forward with the name changes on an honorary basis. So that honorary basis, commemorative signs. Additionally signage will be placed at several intersections in the appropriate areas with the names Red Rider Road, Orrville Way or possibly Education Drive whichever the Mayor and the Administration decides to go with. Mr. Shupp went on further to summarize our meeting by saying if anyone prefers the names to be officially changed, there is a process in place to do so and you are, if you are applying to. I believe the process starts with the Planning Commission. So that was Mr. Shupp's report and that was what Council had decided at that time. Now I need to back up two months before that we had the first meeting in regards to the sign change and in that meeting we decided to permanently take down the signs and go with Educational Lane or whatever the names were at that time Red Rider Way and so two months earlier when we decided on that we came out of Mr. Shupp's committee meeting we went to the public and several of us got some negative feedback on that. So that's why Mr. Shupp called the second meeting in September and those are the results I read to you. So two years go by, 2011, 2010, and Mr. Hamsher called a Planning Committee meeting on September 23 as a second attempt to get the permanent change. So what we did as Council during that committee meeting, you guys all remember, we agreed to send it to the Planning Commission. We wanted those guys to take a shot at it. And on November 21 of 2013 the Planning Commission had a meeting and they voted it down. So additionally I will just share that I've had some negative feedback, actually quite a bit, and I will say though with the negative feedback that I've received I've asked those people would you be okay with a commemorative sign and every single one of 'em said yeah that would be good. So you know, I believe the commemorative sign is the best way to go if we are going to do anything at all and I think it's a win-win and I think it will support the petition that these people signed that are for it. That's my take.

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Hamsher: I had some similar conversations and my conversations have resulted in people saying that's be too confusing. Two signs on one street are too confusing. It's either just name the street. It seems to be a no-brainer. In fact when we talked to some businesses they thought it was a done deal already.

Aspiras: Well you mentioned, I wasn't going to share this but seeing you said that, you mentioned that there is 15 other districts that have done this.

Hamsher: At least.

Aspiras: In Manhattan alone there are 400 commemorative signs. I give you one example 11th Street. Okay and most of those signs are from the 911 there's police that died going to those towers and there's a guy by the name of Keith Roy Maynard and he lived on 11th Street, grew up, was a fireman all his life. And if you go there today you'll see 11th Street in Brooklyn, NY, and you'll see below it Keith Roy Maynard Place. There are 399 other signs just in that area, one city. Now I know New York's a big city so this isn't anything revolutionary and I don't think those, if you are going to get confused in New York you're going to get confused. So I don't think they get confused with those commemorative signs.

Shupp: By my recollection on that, Mr. Aspiras' information is pretty much correct by the meetings and the order that they transpired in. I would thank you for looking back and making that available to us again for your research. Thank you.

Mayor: The initial meeting we had on that, first of all just remember how this was brought about, it was brought about by alumni that came to the reunion of ten thousand, enjoyed himself so much, saw the new school buildings going up, contacted me later and said wouldn't it be a cool idea to name that, his idea was Red Rider Road for Ella Street. From there we talked to the people that would be involved first of all and that would be the schools, the Boys Club and the residents there. Schools and Boys Club were absolutely fine with that, thought it was a good idea. When we had the meeting with Council the concern, major concern at that meeting was confusion. GPS will be messed up. We tried to say that yes for a while it will be but when we changed Smithville-Hostetler Road to just Hostetler Road we left both signs up for about 6 months so people would get used to the other sign. As far as I know GPS's have done just fine with Hostetler Road. The whole idea here was just to do something nice with what we have in town with the good school district that we have out there, the new buildings, two new streets now. I was at a meeting in Columbus not too long ago and I was in between sessions and I was looking at the news and somebody was interviewing somebody in front of Westerville High School. What's in the background? Wild Cat Drive with red and white signs. It's just a neat thing to do. I would be curious all the people that you say are against it, Mr. Aspiras, what were their reasons?

Aspiras: Well I guess there's some history behind. I haven't dug into the history.

Mayor: We've dug into that. We have looked into that.

Aspiras: What would be the reason...I agree with you Dave it's a nice thing to do. What would be a bad reason for not going with a commemorative sign?

Mayor: Well I'll tell you right now after that other Council meeting Mr. Wheeler and I sat together and said we're either going to do this one way or not at all.

Aspiras: I understand that but why?

Mayor: Because your concern was confusion. Why put two signs up for a street when it can be either, if you want to leave it Ella and you want to leave it at Mineral Springs, fine. Like I said this was something that we just thought would be a neat idea. I don't see a good reason to put two signs up.

Aspiras: Commemorative signs, Dave, they're all over the United State. They're all over the United States.

Hamsher: I think that Orrville is fairly unique and obviously I'm biased. And I think that the school system is, we're a city that supports it's school system and that's not common in a lot of places. I think this is a gesture from the community kind of something neat. Hey where's the Orr High School? Down Red Rider Road, Red Rider Drive. Great. There it is. We've got one sign. You mention the Planning Commission yes they voted it down. Two members though were missing and in my conversation with those two members they indicate they supported it so the Planning Commission as a whole are for it. The GPS changes you mentioned, we're creating a whole another road with Raspberry Road, we're not going to be able to find that for a couple years either. As soon as we hand it into the County and they put it on their GIS information system then that's taken care of. I guess I don't see the issue. We had no issue changing it from Smithville to Hostetler. I mean it was boom. I guess I'm not sure why with the community support that this seems to have, why we're not going to go ahead and do it.

Shupp: I think, if I remember right what the meaning of the confusion, Dave, was more on the fact that we would still have South Ella, North Ella, the Red Rider section of the street and as was mentioned we also had Congress Street which was all the same venue. The way I remember it we all thought was a lot

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of confusion with several different names. I think the consensus went that if we were going to change it, it was all going to change. Change the whole thing not just two blocks of it.

Mayor: We talked that going from High Street to Hostetler Road.

Shupp: You were going from High Street to Hostetler Road. After discussion originally it was High Street to Mineral Springs and myself I felt that was too confusing to have the same venue of road have three different names on it. And even incorporating it to Hostetler Road we still have South Elm, or South Ella, North Ella and now the Red Rider Blvd. or Red Rider Drive.

Mayor: Why would we have two Ella's?

Shupp: That's what I took as the confusion part of it. I don't know that Council was talking about being confused with two signs a commemorative sign and the Ella Street sign on there. And talking about your Hostetler Smithville Road that was a road that had two names that we were going to one name. Not taking a road and putting two names on it. So that's why that went pretty quick.

Mayor: I still didn't get an answer really from Mr. Aspiras on what people were opposed to it for? What was their opposition to it? Because you said a lot of people were opposed to that.

Aspiras: I didn't get into, they didn't provide me with details of why they don't want it changed. I know one guy was very adamant and said whatever you do as my councilman, do not let them change that road.

Mayor: But he didn't give you a reason?

Aspiras: Nope.

Mayor: Huh that's interesting.

Aspiras: What would be the reason Dave not to put a commemorative sign?

Mayor: I gave you what my reason was I think it's just confusing. If you're going to make a change, then

make a change.

Aspiras: I think that's silly.

Shupp: I'd like to men...most people I've talked about this are very non-committal. They don't care one way or the other. So it's not like it was a passionate thing from anyone that I've talked to that they wanted to make a change. Most people are like, you know.

Baker: Any other discussion? Mr. Vance.

Vance: Thank you, Mr. President. There are three areas where I would like to explore. And one would be what has our process been. I know we've all had antidotal conversations but what has the City done to inform and discuss these changes with the residents that would be affected. I would like to explore that. And I think another area would be to simply say well why would people want to do this at all. And talk about that idea about why people are wanting to do this at all. But I think I'd just like to maybe begin with and then the historical aspect too we haven't really addressed that if there's any historical significance to the names of why these streets were named the way they were. I think that's a consideration that we should take into account if we're considering changing the name of the street does it have historical significance. We found that out with Lechot Avenue after we decided to change the name of the street here was a family that had that street was named after that family and so we commemorate that. You can drive by there now and see the commemoration to that family. So I just want to make sure we address that before we went too far. So if I could begin first of all asking whoever would like to respond what has the City done to discuss this change with residents. I mean you have to change your address those kinds of things. People may be concerned about that. What has the City done to inform and discuss these changes with those who might be affected?

Wheeler: If I could answer that Councilman Vance, we've actually done a little bit more than what the normal process is. I mean absolutely we wanted to hear from the property owners in that area if they have concerns or any issues. Initially when it came up the Mayor did go door-to-door in that area to just talk with the residents and see what their feel was on it in that particular area. We also sent out a letter notifying them that the Planning Commission was going to be meeting. After that letter was sent and after they had time to get that letter I actually then went out and went door-to-door as well with another notice that if they didn't answer the door I hung on the door so that they were able to get it when they got home. I was able to talk to some of the property owners there at that time and they had the same concerns what kind of steps were involved in changing the name, changing their information on their checks and stuff like that. So we did spend time in regards to discussing all of those issues. We also put it in the newspaper that there was a public notice in the newspaper. Not everyone reads that section I get that, which is why that's one part of that process. Then we also sent out another notice to them notifying them of this meeting here tonight as well so that folks were able to, if not attend, then at least call. I understand, I know there's some seniors in that area as well, anyone at this point wouldn't want to come out in this weather. They were welcome to call or email as well and to date I haven't

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heard anything in that notice as well. So we actually have four different methods of touches if you will with the property owners that would be directly affected and of course we reached out to the school and the Boys and Girls Club as well as the apartment complex as well.

Vance: Mr. President if I could ask some follow-up questions. I said I have three different areas here I want to explore.

Baker: Go ahead.

Vance: Thank you. What has been the feedback been, what have these people told you directly as you've talked with them.

Wheeler: To be very honest, I think Councilman Vance, most of them didn't high five me but I didn't hear any opposition either. Most of them were just interested in regards to the process that they would have to go through to change their mailing address and those kinds of things. So I didn't hear any opposition. I did hear one property owner said I get the idea of the name change, I don't love Education Lane but she understood and was okay with the change. Honestly very little feedback beyond those comments.

Vance: And you're talking to people who are directly affected by this living on those streets.

Wheeler: Yes.

Vance: So that's a different group that has different concerns than just the general community who was just talking about the idea. These are the people that have to do something with that.

Wheeler: Absolutely. Which is why we wanted to reach out to them as much as possible. Those are the ones I definitely wanted to hear from for or against or any concerns.

Vance: Okay. I have some additional follow-up questions.

Baker: Go ahead.

Shupp: I have a question. Vance: Regarding that?

Shupp: Yes. Well I mean when you were approaching the homeowners did you give them a choice between the consensus that Council had come up with of either going with a commemorative sign, an honorary sign or did you only give them the idea of going to a renaming of the street.

Wheeler: To be very honest, it was just to rename and the reason being was we were having a public hearing at the Planning Commission on the renaming. So that's why I wanted them to be aware of that and so they could voice concerns.

Shupp: If they would have been aware of the compromise that Council tried to make two years prior, they may have gone with the commemorative sign.

Wheeler: Very possibly, yes, sir, very possible

Vance: Thank you, Mr. President. Wheeler: I feel like I'm testifying here.

Vance: Hey, we don't get a chance to grill you very often. Has anyone discovered any information on the historical significance of these streets? Were they named after significant historical figures? Or do we know? What have we learned about that?

Wheeler: In the Planning Commission, Ned Hostetler which we all know is a local historian and fabulous at that, had mentioned that it may be directly related to naming of one of the Smucker ancestors. And that was the first we had heard of that. As I had mentioned we had done our research and was never able to connect it with anyone that may have been with anyone that may have been named after. I believe the Mayor reached out to the J. M. Smucker Company to talk to them so I'll let him answer that.

Mayor: Yes, Ned had thought maybe it was named after Jerome Hostetler's wife which was Ella. But Karen Flinner looked back on maps we found back, in fact Ned brought one in to her that he had found as far back as 1899 or '98 somewhere in there, where Ella was already named. And so that wasn't obviously after Jerome's wife because that was later in time. So could have been somebody's name but nobody knows who. Tim and Richard both said they're not aware of it being connected with the Smucker family at all. In fact they both were very encouraged about that name because with the Heartland Education Committee and so forth they just thought it would be neat for the whole school system. And I did talk, the very first year that this came up, which is clear back in 2010, I talked to the Postmaster about what's the process. And she said well we work with the people. Quite frankly the reason I wanted to stay away from doing all of Ella Street is to stay away from as many houses, residentials, as we can. From High Street over to Market you're looking at and in fact beyond Market Street, you're looking at three blocks of residential houses. If we leave that as Ella, even if it was originally named after somebody historically, that would have been the street that was named. The part that we're talking about changing wasn't until the late 1950's, it was a field before that.

Vance: So that street hasn't been named for Ella Street for 117 year or whatever.

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Mayor: No. In fact we found one map this morning that showed Ella as Ella and that would be that block between Market and High and then Sterling Avenue at one time was named Nella. We were sitting there trying to decide were they twins? Was it Ella and Nella? And then how did that get changed to Sterling Avenue? We have no idea how that happened.

Vance: Very good. Then just had the one last area that I wanted to explore. The reason why this idea is coming out at all. I think we have to recognize that this community had a significant accomplishment. It has built a brand new campus of schools with over \$51 million has been invested in creating a new school campus here in Orrville. That's a significant accomplishment. Of the local funding, nearly 12% of the local funding was donated by individuals and companies and that reflects a significant commitment on the part of this community to make sure that education is a priority in Orrville. And it is. It's a key to our future. It's one of the most important aspects of any community is the school system. So I think it perfectly appropriate to consider the request of those who have asked us to consider changing the names of these streets to reflect a significant contribution, commitment and a real success story for the City of Orrville in creating this new school campus. I think that's certainly worthy of us to give that good consideration, serious consideration. That', I think, the part about it that I think we need to all keep in mind is the reason why this subject is here is because of a true success story. I think it's an amazing story really to see what has been accomplished here in Orrville. We ought to be proud of that. I think any community that has a good school system ought to do everything it can to promote that. Because it's hard to do and it's important, hugely important factor in the success of the community is their school system. So I certainly agree with those who feel that we need to do everything we can to promote how important education is and the priority that it is. Thank you. I will yield my time. Thank you.

Baker: Okay. Mr. Corfman.

Corfman: Yeah, on the historical part, I went off an 1897 map. Christian Brenneman had a wife Ella Singer Brenneman. Maiden name was Ella Singer of Apple Creek. She married Brenneman, this is Christian Brenneman, son of Christian Brenneman that was part of bringing the railroad in with the other crew along with that and it does date back to the early start of the railroad coming through. Nothing says it, I can't find anything that says that's what the name of the street was for but there was, she was there, she was the wife of one of the founding fathers, or son of, right down to the 1865 dates and times. But there is an older that would pre-date Ella Smucker.

Mayor: And if that is the case we still have a portion that is Ella Street.

Corfman: Well if the part that was named after her was strictly between Main, or not Main, Market and High.

Vance: I was not honest, apparently I had one more thing I wanted to share. Regarding this idea of this compromise that Council tried to reach on the commemorative sign. I remember I shared that idea hey can we do a commemorate thing and that way we wouldn't have to change the name we could still put a new sign up. And I remember the Mayor especially saying look let's not do that. We don't want to have two signs on one street. And look, here's my view. There are some things, my colleagues on Council, that we need to stand on that hill and say no, we're not going to give in on this point. Some things that are truly important. Honestly the name of a street isn't that important to sit there and say we're going to vote this whole thing down because we didn't get one thing in there. This is our Mayor. He's elected by the people of this City. And there are some things that we can defer to him on without completely giving up our principals. This is not that important to vote down, I think, something over. I respect his opinion and his judgment on that matter and there are some times when you say you know, it's not exactly the way I want but I can live with it. And I think if we all adopt that attitude more often it's easier to work together as a community because none of us agree on everything. We all have different views and opinions. So let's learn what's really important and let's learn to give some in some areas that aren't really important. And that's what I'd like to see us do in this situation. Thank you.

Baker: Mr. Hamsher do you have something else?

Hamsher: No. It was covered. Thank you. Baker: Anyone else have any comments.

Mayor: Yes. One more. I'd just like to say thank you Mr. Vance. And I'd like to say that we have a population of 8300 people and if we actually could poll every single person tonight and ask them if they thought it was cold outside you would still get some people that would disagree. Because you're right, not everybody is going to agree on everything. Again, this wasn't my idea to begin with, it was a Mr. Geigtey from the class of, and I don't remember, I think it was '58 or 59' somewhere in there that thought it would really be cool. And that's why I brought it to you in the first place. So again, if it works great, if it doesn't, then it doesn't. We've tried. We've tried twice. Thank you. And we're not expecting a vote on this tonight unless that's what you guys want.

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Baker: Any other comments? I see none. Leathers: That will go for second reading.

Leathers moved that Ordinance B-14 be place on first reading. Hamsher seconded. Roll call vote; all yeas; motion carried. **ORDINANCE B-14**, An Ordinance changing the name of portions of North Ella Street, Olive Street, and Congress Street in the City of Orrville, County of Wayne, State of Ohio, to Red Rider Drive.

Baker: Any further comments? This one is really going to tag along with everything that we've said before.

Vance: I have no comments on this.

Leathers moved that Ordinance C-14 be place on first reading. Corfman seconded. Roll call vote; all yeas; motion carried. **ORDINANCE C-14,** An Ordinance vacating an alley running North and South parallel to South Main Street, between Lots 203 and 3740, in the City of Orrville, Ohio.

Baker: Any comments on this one?

Wheeler: Thank you, Mr. President. As I mentioned in the memo to you this was recommended and approved by the Planning Commission. It is basically a small stub of an extension of an alleyway that runs parallel to Vine Street and Main Street. It is sort of a stub to nowhere other than I guess if you were to drive into it you could jump the tracks potentially but that is all. The adjacent property owners asked that it be vacated. They had sort of a safety concern in that regards and requested that it be vacated. There was no opposition to it in the Planning Commission meeting.

Baker: Questions or comments? None.

Leathers moved that the rules, regulations, and statutes requiring a reading of an ordinance on three separate days be suspended. Aspiras seconded. Roll call vote; all yeas; motion carried.

Leathers moved that Ordinance C-14 be adopted as read. Vance seconded. Roll call vote; all yeas; motion carried.

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

Good of the Order:

Vance: I just wanted to add, I wanted to welcome Mr. Wilson to City Council. And I have had the pleasure of serving with him. We were classmates together in our MBA class and now we get to work on this other project. I would encourage everyone on Council to give him as hard a time as you possibly can. He deserves it. I have enjoyed getting to know you over the past couple of years and have come to know you as somebody who is very level-headed, down to earth. You do what you say you're going to do, follow up on your commitments, and so that's why I'm happy to support the idea of inviting you to run for City Council and very glad that you accepted. Welcome. Thank you.

Wilson: Appreciate it.

Lyle Baker, President of Council

Baker: One last thing, a reminder to everyone don't run away, you need to get your picture taken. Our next meeting will be on a Tuesday because Monday is a holiday for Martin Luther King.

Leathers moved to adjourn the council meeting and Corfman seconded. Roll call vote; all yeas; motior carried. Council was adjourned at 8:20 p.m.	
Jeanne Gault, Clerk of Council	 Date