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Council President Baker called the meeting to order. Newton Brenneman from New Hope Christian Center offered the prayer. The Pledge was recited by all.

Public Hearing was held on the 2016 Budget Resolution 19-15. No comments were made. Public Hearing closed. 7:32 p.m.

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

Hamsher moved to approve the minutes of the last regular meeting June 1, 2015; Lorson seconded. Roll call vote; Shupp abstained; all remaining yeas; motion carried.

**Public Comment:** Thomas Queen read a letter on behalf of Congressman Renacci and spoke on constituent services.

### **Standing Committee Reports:**

No report for Parks & Recreation, Transportation, Planning, Ordinance & Personnel

Finance – Aspiras – Thank you, Mr. President. Just a reminder that we do have our Special Meeting and workshop for the Orrville City 2016 Budget and assuming that Council puts Resolution 19-15 on first reading tonight, we will also have second reading on Monday, June 22, just after the Utility Board meeting. That's all I have. Thanks.

Utilities – Corfman – Thank you, Mr. President. Despite all the storms we've had lately, we have not had too many outages and our efforts have paid off. I listen to people who have lost power, rural or areas, but not in Orrville public powers. We're still doing well. That's all I have tonight. Thank you.

Health & Safety – Vance – Thank you, Mr. President. I just wanted to remind Council that following the Finance Committee meeting, we're also going to have a Healthy & Safety Committee meeting. I'm told the budget doesn't have a lot of changes from last year so we'll breeze right through it. And I don't think the Health & Safety meeting will be super long either but just a reminder that that's happening next Monday as well. Thank you.

### **Administrative Reports:**

Mayor Handwerk: Thank you, Mr. President. From the sounds of things (rain downpour) I hope all of you brought your boats with you tonight. You might need it to get home. I have one comment and that is just to mention our Employee of the Month is Sgt. Dave Marks who joined the Police Department in July 1999. He's in charge of the Investigation Bureau and is responsible for overseeing all criminal cases. Additionally Sgt. Marks manages the evidence room where numerous pieces of evidence are stored until each criminal case has a disposition. Sgt. Marks is also a negotiator for the Special Response Team and has done exceptionally well in that role. He is always willing to come to work on short notice and work long hours if necessary. In his spare time, Sgt. Marks enjoys fishing, watching the Cleveland Browns which I assume is a requirement to be hired by Chief Carozza there, and spending time with his family. Sgt. Marks and his wife Lynn reside with their son Daniel in Dalton and we'll be having lunch tomorrow at Heartland Point. And lastly, Mr. Queen, your timing was good tonight. I'd like to talk to you afterwards about something I was going to call you about tomorrow anyway so I will catch you before you leave. Thank you. And that's all I have.

Baker: Filing in for our Safety Service Director, Mrs. Endsley.

Endsley: Thank you, Mr. President. As everybody's probably aware we're kind of in the height of construction season, we've got a lot of road construction going on. East High Street, Eclipse is the contractor on that job. They have started to strip the top soil and they are doing all the work east of Mill Street until at least after the 4<sup>th</sup> of July. So when we have the extra people in town, extra traffic, all of that construction shouldn't impact any of the July 4<sup>th</sup> festivities. Jefferson Avenue, Northstar Asphalt was awarded that contract and that will be from Elm to Kirk. They will be starting the street grinding and there will be no parking while they are working on the street and they will post that in advance. So if there are any residents on Jefferson Avenue those will all be posted. We also received confirmation from the Railroad that the South Elm railroad crossing will be closed from June 22<sup>nd</sup> to June 27<sup>th</sup>. They'll be repairing that crossing which will be a huge improvement. But again, it will be closed from June 22<sup>nd</sup> until the 27<sup>th</sup>. We also have our concrete street projects which is the OPWC loan project that I believe the legislation came to Council a meeting or two ago. Those are out for bid right now and that project the bids will be open on Friday, June 26<sup>th</sup>. As for other things going on in town, our first movie of the season will be Friday night, June 19<sup>th</sup> and it is Annie. And it is sponsored by Orrville Utilities. It will happen rain or shine. If it rains we will be in Schmid Hall, if not we'll be at Rehm Pavilion for that. Also on Monday a moonlight swim at Orr Pool. So that's June 22<sup>nd</sup> from 8-10. You can get in with your pool pass or adults are \$4 and children are \$3. And then we also have another concert coming up on Thursday, June 25<sup>th</sup> at 7 p.m. and that will be Blue Lunch. That's my report.

Utility Director Brediger: Thank you, Mr. President. No utility updates but I do want to thank Mr. Queen and the Congressman for their efforts in Washington. We have been in the Congressman's office many times on utility issues and Jim gets it. He's been a friend of this City, he's a friend of the utilities for many years, and we appreciate all the work that he's been trying to do on our behalf despite a little bit of the stale mate issues on Capitol Hill there but hasn't been for lack of trying. So we appreciate all the work. We look forward to continuing working with him because we have many other challenges ahead of us. The other item that I had in addition, not to pile some more

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things on City Council on June 22<sup>nd</sup> but we will be hearing an EPA update during the Utility Board meeting and I would strongly urge all of you to attend that. With that, that would conclude my remarks for tonight.

Finance Director Strimlan: Thank you, Mr. President. As Mr. Aspiras mentioned the 2016 budget is on first reading this evening. Just quickly the major changes on the tax supported side that are included in that budget are reduction for debt services on the tax supported side that is in anticipation of the payoff of the economic development bonds later on this year that we've included in our 2015 final appropriations. For the utilities the major changes include working capital transfers, purchased power, coal and also some capital project modifications. As Mr. Aspiras also mentioned we will have the workshop on the 22<sup>nd</sup>. If you have any questions between now and then though feel free to call me. That's it.

Law Director Kirkbride: Thank you, Mr. President. I have no report this evening.

Council President Baker: I also have no report this evening. We also have no old business so we'll move to our New Business, Mr. Lorson.

**New Business:**

Lorson moved that Resolution 19-15 be placed on first reading. Corfman seconded. Roll call vote; all yeas; motion carried. **RESOLUTION 19-15**, A Resolution approving the budget for the City of Orrville, Ohio, for the calendar year 2016, and declaring an emergency.

Baker: Anyone have any questions for Mrs. Strimlan? We're going to have a meeting next week and we've already heard about this a couple times. And this will go for three readings. We'll move to our next one.

Lorson moved that Resolution 20-15 be placed on first reading. Hamsher seconded. Roll call vote; all yeas; motion carried. **RESOLUTION 20-15**, A Resolution authorizing the Board of Control to enter into a contract and/or contracts, without bidding, for chip and seal resurfacing of various City streets, in the City Of Orrville, Ohio, and declaring an emergency.

Endsley: This resolution is actually replacing an annual resolution that we do at the end of the year. And in the past we have had more than one contractor that has done chip and seal work for us. And that is no longer the case. We only have one company in our region that will do this. So instead of going out for bid knowing we're only going to receive one bid, we're asking to proceed without bidding for the one company. It is Melway Paving. At this point in time I believe the Service Department is narrowing down what streets they are going to chip and seal. It's actually been two years since we've done any chip and seal work and right now their budgeting about \$39,000 for this chip and seal work. And that's another reason to not go out for bid. The amount of chip and seal work that we do on an annual basis is probably not going to draw a contractor from far away to come to bid on a \$30 or \$40,000 project.

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

Lorson moved that Resolution 20-15 be adopted as read. Aspiras seconded. Roll call vote; all yeas; motion carried.

Baker: That should finish everything of our new business for this evening. Anyone have anything for the Good of the Order?

**Good of the Order:**

Corfman: My apologies for next Monday but because I'm here tonight I won't be here next Monday. So just the way the schedule worked. By the looks of it I'm going to sorry I missed so much.

Baker: You will be. Anyone else?

Corfman moved to adjourn the council meeting and Aspiras seconded. Roll call vote; all yeas; motion carried. Council was adjourned 7:55 PM.

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Jeanne Feudo, Clerk of Council

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Lyle Baker, President of Council