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Council President Baker called the meeting to order. Pastor Brad Dews from Orrville Baptist Church offered the prayer. The pledge was recited.

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

Hamsher moved to adopt the minutes as presented of the last regular meeting on January 16, 2018. Wilson seconded. Roll call vote; all yeas; motion carried.

Standing Committee Reports:

Finance – Aspiras Sr.: State Auditor's Annual Report legislation in on the docket this evening. Res. 1-18.

Utilities – Corfman: Committee of the Whole met to discuss compensation for elected officials.

Health and Safety – Aspiras Jr: Met with Safety Service Director Mr. Wheeler, Police Chief Birkbeck and Fire Chief Bishop having an opportunity to tour the police and the fire station 1 and then we sat down to discuss issues, concerns and goals. Looks forward to working with all of them.

Transportation – Shupp: Legislation on the use of golf carts on the city streets is coming up later in the meeting.

Administrative Reports:

Mayor Handwerk: Our Employee of the Month for February is Tim Schuring, is making feel old because he was in my oldest son Adam's class in grade school, which I'm sure is where he got all of his expertise in everything that he's doing – from our gym classes. Tim is Control Room Operator at the Power Plant. He was hired in June of 2005 as an Apprentice Operator, and has also held positions for Plant Operator 1, and Control Room Operator (Relief). Before working at the Power Plant, Tim served in the United States Marine Corp. as a C130 airplane mechanic. Being a control room operator can be a very stressful job during emergencies and outages, but Tim is known for his cool, calm, manner. Tim has always been a Browns fan and enjoys being in beard competitions and if you haven't seen him he's got quite a nice beard going there, and listening to heavy metal music. Tim's many skills make him a valuable part of the power plant team. Tim lives in Orrville with his fiancé, Leslie and their children Kendra, Skylar, Holleigh, Seth, Hunter, and Hanna. Congratulations Tim!

Safety Service Department Steve Wheeler: Service Department is busy with pothole repair as weather permits. The police department is pleased to announce that Sgt. Cory Seiler and Officer Corey Shane are co-officers of the year for our police department. Dominion gas line is working on Rohrer Road with it being one lane with traffic control on site. Use an alternate route if possible. Demo bids were opened on Friday for 240 West Market Street. The low bidder was below engineer estimate. We hope to get it started the next few weeks with a pre-con meeting hopefully by the end of this week.

Utility Director Brediger: The second, the larger of the two AMP solar sites went into operation last week. Both sites are still going through some testing. They are not in commercial operation as of this time but they are up and running. They are working out some bugs before they officially turn them over to the project owners. We are wrapping up our 2017 year with operational reports and final appropriations. We will schedule Utility Board committee meetings later on this month. Next week we are EPA testing Boiler 13 that was converted over to natural gas about a year and a half ago, mandatory 1 year nitrous oxide testing. January was the highest production month for all of the hydro projects since they've been in operation. That's mainly due to timing of river navigation, rain, and water level conditions. The projects continue to operate real well, but it's good to see they've exceed some pretty big operational production records already.

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Finance Director Strimlan: Fund Balance report ending December 31, 2017. Aspiras Sr. motioned to approve the fund balance report; Corfman seconded. Roll call vote; all yeas; motion carried.

Baker: Had a complaint about potholes but has seen our street department out filling them. This weather doesn't allow potholes to stay filled for long. Once the weather breaks they will be filled in a more permanent manner.

New Business

Lorson moved that Resolution 1-18 be placed on first reading. Hamsher seconded. Roll call vote; all yeas; motion carried. **RESOLUTION NO. 1-18**, A Resolution authorizing the Board of Control to enter into an Agreement and/or Agreements with the State Auditor's Office to prepare the annual audit for fiscal year ending December 31, 2017, and declaring an emergency.

Discussion: With the General Fund portion being over \$15,000 we need approval to enter into the contract with the State and granting authority to the board of control to issue the purchase order to cover that expense.

Lorson 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. Lorson moved that Resolution 1-18 be adopted as read. Corfman seconded. Roll call vote; all yeas; motion carried.

Lorson moved that Resolution 2-18 be placed on first reading. Aspiras Sr. seconded. Roll call vote; all yeas; motion carried. **RESOLUTION NO. 2-18**, A Resolution authorizing the Director of Safety and Service to enter into a contract to provide for tax abatement for real property for DSD Investments, LLC and Refractory Coating Technologies, Inc. and declaring an emergency.

Discussion: Tax abatement request for a 4500 sq ft addition at a cost of \$260,000, known as REFCOTEC. This will result in \$4700 of annual tax abated. They have 14 employees and agree to retain them. They have been in Orrville since 1997. Current building is 12,600 sq ft. The abatement was approved by Orrville Schools. Harry Seibel, Treasurer and VP of Operations (REFCOTEC) was present to answer questions. Aspiras Sr. thanked them for remaining in Orrville and the continued investment.

Lorson moved that the rules, regulations, and statutes requiring the reading of a resolution on three separate days be suspended. Aspiras Sr. seconded. Roll call vote; all yeas; motion carried. Lorson moved that Resolution 2-18 be adopted as read. Corfman seconded. Roll call vote; all yeas; motion carried.

Lorson moved that Ordinance A-18 be placed on first reading. Shupp seconded. Roll call vote; all yeas; motion carried. **ORDINANCE NO. A-18**, An Ordinance authorizing the use of under-speed vehicles – golf carts on streets in the City of Orrville, Ohio, providing an inspection program therefore and repealing inconsistent legislation.

Discussion: In order to operate golf carts on city streets that have a 35mph or less, top speed on the cart of 20 mph or less, cart must have tail and brake lights, turn signals, headlights, windshield, rearview mirror, seat belts and a valid license plate. You must carry proper insurance on the cart and the operator must have a valid driver's license. An appointment must be made with the Orrville Police Department to go over the compliance items listed. These are very similar to Ohio Revised Code 4511.214 but we've also kept it to strictly golf carts and no other type of recreation or low speed vehicles and the inspection fee is waived. We made just a few modification from the ORC. This gives us the right to govern these and set rules as we deem

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appropriate and to establish an inspection through the police department. This was spurred by request from local residents. If there are issues with it, we can always go back and rescind it, if we notice abuses that become prevalent. No other vehicles. Golf carts only. There are vehicle weight limits, design limits and also speed limits. These are not allowed on the sidewalks or in the public parks.

Lorson 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 yeas; motion carried. Lorson moved that Ordinance A-18 be adopted as read. Wilson seconded. Roll call vote; all yeas; motion carried.

Director Steve Wheeler presented the Safety Service Department Annual Report.

Question/Answers: The more we recycle, the more we get back in grant which in turn a portion is used to offset the trash bill so it is going back to our citizens in a positive way. We could have great numbers if every resident would recycle. Our current trash contract expires the end of 2019. The ODOT project of resurfacing State Route 57 is scheduled for early summer – June/July. OPWC typically start in July. These both are out of our control. Savings at the pool were mainly on the staffing side due to good management and pool attendance.

Corfman moved to adjourn the council meeting; Aspiras Sr. seconded. Roll call vote; all yeas; motion carried. Council adjourned at 8:17 p.m.

Jeanne Gault, Clerk of Council

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Date

Lyle Baker, President of Council