

Regular/Public

February 18, 2019

Public Hearing on **Ordinance A-19**, An Ordinance vacating an alley running North and South parallel to South Main Street, between the Northeast part of Lot 203 and Lot 3688, in the City of Orrville, Ohio was opened at 7:30 pm. There were no comments and no objections from the public. Public hearing was closed. 7:30 pm.

Council President Baker called the regular meeting to order. Pastor Paul Simonsen led the prayer. The pledge was recited.

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

Council minutes of regular meeting held February 4, 2019 were presented. Hamsher moved to adopt the minutes as submitted. Wilson seconded. Roll call vote; all yeas; motion carried.

Standing Committee Reports

None

Administrative Reports

Mayor Handwerk: County commissioners have Wayne County Comprehensive Plan meetings scheduled. Among those meetings, there will be one at Schmid Hall on Thursday, March 7th at noon-2pm. They would like input on where you would like to see the county go, where to see it grow, what directions and what sort of things you would like to see. This is a plan, a guide, for the future. The City has done the same to update our comprehensive plan in years past and are in the middle of updating our zoning ordinance now. This is a large undertaking. We have had more windy trash days so as snow starts to melt, look around and pick up bottles, papers, cups and things that people throw out or get blown away from the trash and help keep our community a great place to live by keeping the litter picked up especially in front of your own place. I appreciate that.

Safety Service Department Director Wheeler: Pine Street construction bids will open March 1. Pine Street construction oversight requests for proposals will be opened on March 8. And I'd like to congratulate the 2018 Officers of the Year, Officer Nate Maimone and Sgt. Andrew Dalessandro. Also, I'd like to congratulate our 2018 Firefighter of the Year, Firefighter/EMT John Bischoff.

Utility Director Brediger: Last January 31st was a bit chilly around town. Our system operator AEP, who controls the electric transmission grid in our area, we established a new peak. We had the plant up and running at full capacity that day and the day before. We are in a good position to hopefully maximize the full amount of credits that get returned to us over the course of the year. That will represent roughly about half of the \$7.5 million dollars of transmission fees that we'll be paying this year. The Utility Board elected to keep the 4th quarter power cost adjustment factor frozen. We kept electric rates frozen for all of 2018 and we kept them frozen all of 2017. All utility committees did support moving the 2019 final appropriations to the Utility Board. We'll be going over those with the joint workshop on March 11th. West water tower refurbishment bids were opened. Bids were from \$220,000-\$320,000. Working with our consultant and our staff, we are in the process of putting a contract together for the lowest which turned out to be the best bid for that. That work will be this spring and that work done in the neighborhood of \$220,000.

Finance – Strimlan: The Fund Balance Report ending 12/31/18 was presented. A motion to approve, subject to audit, by Corfman and seconded by Lorson. Roll call vote; all yeas; motion carried. Across all funds in 2018 we had positive net income of about \$5 Million and we will discuss that in more detail in her annual report in April.

President Baker: We have one item from the clerk.

Clerk Gault: A request for a liquor license for Family Dollar at Hostetler Road was presented. There were no questions, objections or requests for a hearing. It will be sent through.

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Old Business

Lorson moved that Ordinance A-19 be placed on second reading. Corfman seconded. Roll call vote; all yeas; motion carried. **Ordinance A-19**, An Ordinance vacating an alley running North and South parallel to South Main Street, between the Northeast part of Lot 203 and Lot 3688, in the City of Orrville, Ohio.

Discussion: No discussion was held. Public hearing has been held.

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 Ordinance A-19 be adopted as read. Wilson seconded. Roll call vote; all yeas; motion carried.

New Business

Lorson moved that Resolution 6-19 be placed on first reading. Hamsher seconded. Roll call vote; all yeas; motion carried. **Resolution 6-19**, A Resolution authorizing the Board of Control to enter into a contract and/or contracts for a period not to exceed three (3) years, without bidding, for selected insurance needs of the City of Orrville, Ohio, and declaring an emergency.

Discussion: This is a tri-annual resolution for liability and vehicle insurance giving us the opportunity to go out for quotes. Bidding is not possible with trying to find apples-to-apples quotes. In 1991 we paid about \$80,000 in insurance. It is now in the low \$40's. It does not have to be approved tonight.

Lorson moved that the rules, regulations, and statutes requiring the reading of a resolution on three separate days be suspended. Wilson seconded. Roll call vote; all yeas; motion carried. Lorson moved that Resolution 6-19 be adopted as read. Corfman seconded. Roll call vote; all yeas; motion carried.

Lorson moved that Ordinance B-19 be placed on first reading. Corfman seconded. Roll call vote; all yeas; motion carried. **Ordinance B-19**, An Ordinance An Ordinance approving the editing and inclusion of certain Ordinances as parts of the various Component Codes of the Codified Ordinances of Orrville, Ohio, and declaring an emergency.

Discussion: This is an annual ordinance that codifies all legislative action taken by the Council in 2018. It also includes any updates Ohio Revised Code (ORC) has made as well and simply codifies it into our ordinance book. Corfman brought up the "declaring an emergency" clause as he had been asked by a resident about it. He stated it requires an extra vote to pass council and takes effect tomorrow rather than 30 days. It's simply a legislative function.

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 Ordinance B-19 be adopted as read. Corfman seconded. Roll call vote; all yeas; motion carried.

Lorson moved that Resolution 7-19 be placed on first reading. Corfman seconded. Roll call vote; all yeas; motion carried. **Resolution 7-19**, 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, 2018, and declaring an emergency.

Discussion: Last fall Council approved entering into a 3-year agreement with the State Auditor's office to perform our annual audit. Now it is time to issue the purchase order for that 2018 expense. Based on past years, we will issue it for \$45,000. That cost is spread among several funds. We anticipate the tax supported side will bear about \$15,000, potentially a little over that, so we bring this legislation to council for approval of that expenditure.

Lorson moved that the rules, regulations, and statutes requiring the reading of a resolution on three separate days be suspended. Wilson seconded. Roll call vote; all yeas; motion carried. Lorson moved that Resolution 7-19 be adopted as read. Corfman seconded. Roll call vote; all yeas; motion carried.

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Annual Report

Chief Matt Birkbeck presented the Orrville Police Department annual report. The annual report is available in the Safety and Service Department, also via a link on our webpage under City Departments/Safety-Service/Police and an audio file of tonight's meeting, including the annual report, can be found under council minutes for today's date. Chief Birkbeck thanked council for their support over the years including providing resources to train officers, the canine program and the nuisance ordinance. The nuisance ordinance has play a major role in Orrville and with working in partnership with landlords. It has helped us in the hot spots around the city.

There were no questions or comments.

Good of the Order - No comments

Adjournment

Corfman moved to adjourn the council meeting; Wilson seconded. Roll call vote; all yeas; motion carried. Council adjourned at 8:11 p.m.

Jeanne Gault, Clerk of Council

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Date

Lyle Baker, President of Council