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

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

Council minutes of regular meeting held April 15, 2019, were presented for approval. Lorson moved to approve the minutes. Corfman seconded. Roll call vote; all yeas; motion carried.

Standing Committee Reports

No reports

Special Committee Reports

No reports

Administrative Reports

Mayor Handwerk: A proclamation was read for May being Electrical Safety Month. Medway's Director Jason Waddell will be at the next council meeting with a presentation on what Medway is involved in. When you mow, please remove your grass clippings from the streets and sidewalks as this is a safety hazard for motorcycles and bicyclists as there is no traction for them with the roadway surface. Also, the grass clippings clog up the street drains if we get a heavy rain.

Safety Service Department Director Wheeler: ODOT should be in this week to work on Main Street, weather permitting. Concrete street project will start next week beginning with Maple Street which will become one-way, northbound only, weather contingent as well. The cemetery drives are being paved tomorrow, finishing up what was begun last fall.

Utility Director Brediger: Last month the electric department employees successfully installed new generator controls on units ten and eleven which replaced technology that was designed back in the 1940's. The 2018 Water Quality report was distributed to council this evening and is available on line at www.orrutilities.com/waterqualityreport which contains information about the source and quality of your drinking water. Call 330-684-5130 if you would like a paper copy mailed to you. We had no violations on those parameters to meet EPA standard. An update on the High Street water main project, we were able to accommodate Smith Dairy's schedule Sunday to tie them into the system at Main and Vine Streets. That intersection has been a little rough. Work started today and should wrap up tomorrow and allow the contractor to begin the balance of the temporary paving later this week. The gravel will come out and get the road back in fair condition in preparation of the overlay that will take place later this year. Reminder, the AMP/OMEA legislative day is in Columbus on May 29th from 10-3 pm. We will meet with elected officials down there, review several other topics related to the electric industry, talk about some things going on at the Statehouse, mainly the budget and House Bill 6 (HB6). HB6 is being fast tracked through the legislative process. If it goes thru as it, our customers received about \$170,000 worth of credits on our zero carbon energy projects last year that will be eliminated with this bill. The commercials show windmills, solar panels and kids running through the flower fields. The one thing the commercial left out are the two First Energy nuclear plants that at the heart of this bill which is basically a bailout. Look into the bill in a little more detail and follow the money there. I don't have anything against the nuclear folks but next time we get in trouble we'd like to apply for bailout money too. We will be talking a lot with the legislators about this. Scott Wiggam is pretty well up to speed on that and understands where the issues are.

Aspiras Sr.: So HB 6, the EPA came in and put pressure on us to reduce our carbon footprint and hence coal burners throttled back to 10%. We did what they told us to do. By January 2017 we were compliant. And not it's not good enough? Right? Brediger: It is not directly connected with that. They're trying to promote zero carbon. These are unrelated matters. Connected from an environmental perspective but the two don't have any legislative or political direct connections.

Aspiras Sr.: Are we receiving any credit other than we won't fine you? For January 2017?

Brediger: No. Nobody stepped in and helped us out of a situation we had no control over. That's what the investor owned utility are claiming, that they don't have any control over these new changes out there that impact our nuclear plant so if you want them still around, you need to help us out. This will be voted on or about the time that they are making decisions on the state budget. The bill drafters are hoping it is approved prior to the budget so it can be integrated into the bi-annual state budget. That's

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their plan right now. The Mayor and I are going down. It would be good for them to hear from individuals in the elected body as well and that can be accomplished through their website.

Finance – Strimlan: The Auditor of the State has authorized the establishment of the Bloomin Orrville fund. We will be adding it to our Fund Balance Report and at our next meeting we will bring legislation to amend the appropriations so that we can make the necessary expenditures that are starting to arrive for that program. We have prepared 284 baskets which will be hung on May 22nd by the Orrville Utility Distribution Department with the help of some Orrville High School seniors. Also that same week, 34 planter parents, that have agreed to maintain a downtown planter, will have those done. We appreciate all their efforts throughout the summer to keep those looking nice. The gateway flowers will also be completed that week. Thank you Mike Hedberg for his coordination efforts, the distribution personnel, the planter parents and everyone else that's responsible for making that program a big success every year.

President Baker: I have no official report this evening but I would like to congratulate Councilman John Lorson. University of Akron Wayne College recently awarded him the 2019 Distinguished Alumni Award.

Old Business

No old business

New Business

Lorson moved that Resolution 20-19 be placed on first reading. Corfman seconded. Roll call vote; all yeas; motion carried. **Resolution 20-19**, A Resolution authorizing the Safety-Service Director of the City of Orrville, Ohio, to enter into an agreement with the Board of County Commissioners of Wayne County, Ohio, for prosecutorial services with the Wayne County Prosecuting Attorney, and declaring an emergency.

Discussion: Since the courts are no longer here, historically we've had an agreement with them that we would provide the space for courts here in Orrville, in return they would provide prosecutorial services to us free of charge. Now that the courts have officially moved out effective the end of March, we are not going to have to pay for those prosecutorial services. The charge is based on a 3-year track record of our cases in proportion to Wooster and Rittman and then we were charged accordingly. We have 25% of the City of Wooster so as a result, we pay 25% of what they pay. This year, it is only 9 months so it is pro-rated for the 9-month period. The annual cost would be \$20,800 fixed. This year it is \$15,600 for the nine months. This was budgeted for. We budgeted more not knowing what the cost would be. It is in the general fund budget for 2019. With the terms of this agreement, this will continue year to year with a 5% increase unless we want to re-negotiate if there are more or less cases. Otherwise it rolls over year to year.

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 20-19 be adopted as read. Aspiras Sr. seconded. Roll call vote; all yeas; motion carried.

Lorson moved that Resolution 21-19 be placed on first reading. Corfman seconded. Roll call vote; all yeas; motion carried. **Resolution 21-19**, A Resolution authorizing the Director of Utilities of the City of Orrville, Ohio, to advertise for bids and enter into a contract and/or contracts for the replacement of the Water Plant roof and declaring an emergency.

Discussion: A letter sent on April 24 described what we are looking at. This was the original roof that was installed on the Water Plant built in 1996-1997. It is a basic flat roof. It was a 20-year roof. We are beyond that. The consultant recommended replacing it within the next year while the decking materials are still useable. They are recommending we go back in with a one piece membrane type roof that's the technology that works extremely well on flat roof applications. We have these at the various structures at the Power Plant and the Waste Water Treatment facility. This roof can be guaranteed for 30 years. This was part of the capital plan in the budget. We are looking at soliciting proposals for installation either this fall or next spring trying to work around contractor availability. Does not need to be passed this evening. The estimated cost is \$350,000.

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Lorson moved that Resolution 22-19 be placed on first reading. Corfman seconded. Roll call vote; all yeas; motion carried. **Resolution 22-19**, A Resolution authorizing the Board of Control to enter into an agreement and/or agreements with the State of Ohio Purchasing Cooperative, Department of Administrative Services, to purchase one (1) 2019 or newer Ford F-250 Pickup Truck for the Service Department of the City of Orrville, Ohio; or alternatively to purchase said vehicle from another dealer upon equivalent terms, conditions, and specifications, but at a lower price that it can be purchased through the state contract, as allowed by Ohio Revised Code Section 125.04 with a trade-in, and declaring an emergency.

Discussion: This is part of the annual vehicle replacement plan. We are replacing a vehicle well over 20 years old with almost 200,000 miles on it. It is more maintenance that return in value. We are seeking approval to purchase this with our budgeted funds.

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Lorson moved that Resolution 23-19 be placed on first reading. Corfman seconded. Roll call vote; all yeas; motion carried. **Resolution 23-19**, A Resolution authorizing the Board of Control to enter into an agreement and/or agreements with the State of Ohio Purchasing Cooperative, Department of Administrative Services, to purchase one (1) 2019 or newer Ford F-550 Truck for the Service Department of the City of Orrville, Ohio; or alternatively to purchase said vehicle from another dealer upon equivalent terms, conditions, and specifications, but at a lower price that it can be purchased through the state contract, as allowed by Ohio Revised Code Section 125.04 with a trade-in, and declaring an emergency.

Discussion: This too is part of the vehicle replacement plan. This vehicle is one of our small dump trucks, at 25 plus years old with almost 100,000 miles on it. It has given us our money's worth. Aspiras Sr.: Board of Control is made up of, Mayor, yourself, and Finance Director? Wheeler: Yes. By charter we are required to do that for major purchases.

Lorson moved that the rules, regulations, and statutes requiring the reading of a resolution on three separate days be suspended. Aspiras Jr. seconded. Roll call vote; all yeas; motion carried. Lorson moved that Resolution 23-19 be adopted as read. Shupp seconded. Roll call vote; all yeas; motion carried.

Lorson moved that Resolution 24-19 be placed on first reading. Corfman seconded. Roll call vote; all yeas; motion carried. **Resolution 24-19**, A Resolution authorizing the Board of Control to enter into an agreement and/or agreements with the State of Ohio Purchasing Cooperative, Department of Administrative Services, to purchase one (1) Zoll Manual Monitor/Defibrillator for the Fire Department of the City of Orrville, Ohio with a trade-in, and declaring an emergency.

Discussion: We are replacing a 13 year old model no longer supported by Zoll. It is critical to get a replacement. This heart monitor actually relays the data to the hospital before our arrival so they know the patients status before arrival. It also acts as a defibrillator as well. It is budgeted for in the EMS fund. Chief Bishop is here if you have questions.

Corfman: Just to clarify, this is portable and goes out with them. Wheeler: Yes.

Aspiras Sr.: What is the cost? Wheeler: \$30,000 but with the trade-in it will be \$27,000.

Aspiras Sr.: So the is the 13 years typical? Chief Bishop: They upgraded the models. We have a model 13 they are up to model 15. Ours is no longer supported by software. This will give us Zoll's on both rigs.

Shupp: How does it communicate with the hospital, through a cell phone?

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Bishop: We have a hot spot on the rig thru Verizon. When we hook up the 12 lead on the patient, it gives out a strip that gets sent straight to the ER and they will know what is coming. Our medics can read it and the ER can read it there and are ready for the situation when it arrives. We use it on every call we go on to check their heart rate, blood pressure, O2 saturation, everything.

Lorson moved that the rules, regulations, and statutes requiring the reading of a resolution on three separate days be suspended. Aspiras Jr. seconded. Roll call vote; all yeas; motion carried. Lorson moved that Resolution 24-19 be adopted as read. Aspiras Jr. seconded. Roll call vote; all yeas; motion carried.

Good of the Order

Lorson: About President Baker’s comment earlier, the Distinguished Alumni Award, Wayne College is a fantastic community asset and has been in its entire history here. If it wasn’t here, I probably wouldn’t have gone to college myself. I am very proud to be associated with it and hope it is here forever.

Shupp: HB6 – I felt we were all going to be paying a carbon tax at some point in time. Now we’re going to be paying a tax not producing carbon. They really hit us from both directions.

Brediger: That’s their plan. It comes at us from multiple directions. This is a death by a 1,000 cuts.

Lorson: Would it be safe to characterize that bill as more of a bailout of investor owned utilities?

Brediger: It’s a subsidy in its purest form. They are having a tough time competing in the market. The nuclear assets are a zero-carbon entity and the state wants to promote zero carbon resources and this is the utility struggling to make that asset available based on the amount of energy it produces for consumers in Ohio. They would like some assistance to make that happen.

Corfman: As the other member of Council on the alumni board at Wayne College, I congratulate Mr. Lorson and repeat his accolades on how good that college is for Orrville, Wayne County and I also, probably, would not have gone to college if it wasn’t for Wayne College. I’d also like to announce I will not be on the November ballot for next year. My name has been withdrawn. Nobody registered as an independent. Information will be forthcoming about that position. I will be completing just this term and then I’ve gone on as the second councilman from Orrville to go in as the Deputy Director for the Board of Elections. Thank you. There will be more information coming on that.

Adjournment

Aspiras Sr. moved to adjourn the council meeting; Shupp seconded. Roll call vote; all yeas; motion carried. Council adjourned at 8:12 p.m.

Jeanne Gault, Clerk of Council

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Date

Lyle Baker, President of Council