

## Regular/Public

December 16, 2019

Council President Baker called the December 16<sup>th</sup> regular meeting to order. Pastor Paul Simonsen led the prayer. The pledge was recited.

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

Council minutes of regular meeting held December 2, were presented for approval. Corfman moved to approve the minutes as posted. Wilson seconded. Roll call vote; all yeas; motion carried.

### **Standing Committee Reports**

Transportation – Shupp: No report. He thanked the voters and citizens of Ward 3 for allowing him to represent them over the past 12 years. He is very, very honored. He thanked all the council members and stated he enjoyed working with them, the Mayor and the administration.

Ordinance & Personnel – Lorson: After receiving Councilman Hamsher's resignation effective December 20<sup>th</sup> of this year, candidates were solicited to fill the unexpired term. There were 7 applicants. Council met for a Special Council meeting and, in executive session, interviewed them. Lorson moved to nominate Lisa Widmer to fill the unexpired term of Councilman Hamsher. Corfman seconded. Roll call vote; Hamsher abstained; all remaining, yeas; motion carried.

Baker commended the council for doing an excellent job in selecting from the well-qualified applicants.

### **Administrative Reports**

Mayor Handwerk: Stated he was impressed with the number of applicants for the position. They were all good candidates. Thanked those that will be stepping away from their positions; Mr. Baker, Mr. Corfman, Mr. Shupp, Mr. Aspiras Sr. and Mr. Hamsher. In his 18 years on council, 12 as Mayor, there has never been this big of a change on council. Thank you for serving our community. He welcomed the new members: Paul Vance as President, Ward 1 CJ Handwerk, Ward 3 Dino Carrozza, At-Large Darrell Mosley and At-Large Lisa Widmer. And Merry Christmas to all.

Safety Service Director Wheeler: Trash pickup is delayed Christmas week and New Years week as well. Leaf pick up is completed in the neighborhoods. They are finishing up in the cemetery and the park. Salt crews are ready for potential winter weather. The Orrville Firefighters Association announced that Firefighter/Paramedic Robert Evans was chosen as the 2019 Firefighter of the Year. Congratulations Bobby. And gave thanks to the outgoing council members and it's been an honor to work with them.

Utilities Director Brediger: AMP offers scholarships to high school students of Orrville Utility customers and Orrville Utility employees. Each community can select two finalists for consideration. We selected Nicholas McFarren and Ellen McAllister. He then thanked the outgoing council members.

Finance Director Strimlan: Addresses the outgoing council that it's been a pleasure working with them and looking forward to working with Mr. Corfman on our utility board.

Law Director Kirkbride: God speed to the outgoing council and looking forward to working with the new council members. Merry Christmas.

President Baker: It is his final day as president of council. He enjoyed every minute of it. He served first on council before becoming President. It has been very rewarding.

Regular/Public

December 16, 2019

Clerk Gault: We received a liquor license transfer from The Hartley Company at 901 North Main Street, the Starfire, transferring to Bell Stores. No objections made. It will be submitted for transfer.

**Old Business**

Lorson moved that Resolution 48-19 be placed on third reading. Aspiras Sr. seconded. Roll call vote; all yeas; motion carried. **Resolution 48-19**, A Resolution to make appropriations for current expenses and other expenditures of the City of Orrville, State of Ohio, during the fiscal year ending December 31, 2020, and declaring an emergency.

Lorson moved that Resolution 48-19 be adopted as read. Shupp seconded. Roll call vote; all yeas; motion carried.

**New Business**

Lorson moved that Ordinance F-19 be placed on first reading. Corfman seconded. Roll call vote; all yeas; motion carried. **Ordinance F-19**, An Ordinance vacating an alley which runs southwest to northeast parallel to the Wheeling & Lake Erie Railroad adjacent to Lot 3284 in the City of Orrville, Ohio.

Discussion: We vacated another section off Garfield in 2018. This stub area is a grass area. This will clean up the area there. It will be split between Wheeling Lake Erie railroad and Ms. Mullinax Diehl as per ORC.

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 F-19 be adopted as read. Shupp seconded. Roll call vote; all yeas; motion carried.

**Good of the Order:**

Corfman thanked the Orrville citizens for allowing him to serve the past 20 years. One of the greatest honors of his life.

Aspiras Sr. said it's been an honor to serve three terms and have accomplished much. When he moved in 1993 from Maine he visited Medina, Wadsworth, Wooster and Orrville and was impressed with Orrville. He raised four children here. It is a special city. We had a good run. Gave his best to the incoming council. Keep the good things going.

Hamsher thanked the citizens and council members past and present that he worked with. Thank you for trusting him and the group.

Wilson thank you and good luck to the outgoing members.

Lorson thank you all. He learned a lot from them. We heard from seven different people tonight a lot of fantastic things about Orrville and their willingness to serve shows we are doing something right.

Regular/Public

December 16, 2019

**Adjournment**

Hamsher moved to adjourn the council meeting; Aspiras Sr. seconded. Roll call vote; all yeas; motion carried. Council adjourned at 7:54 p.m.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Jeanne Gault, Clerk of Council

\_\_\_\_\_, 2020  
Date

\_\_\_\_\_  
President of Council