

Regular/Public

October 5, 2020

Council President Paul Vance called the, regular meeting to order and led the prayer. The pledge was recited.

Roll call. All present: Handwerk, Aspiras, Lorson, Mosley, Foy, Widmer, Wilson

Council minutes of regular meetings held September 8, 2020, and September 21, 2020, were presented for approval. Lorson moved to approve those minutes; Widmer seconded. Roll call vote; all yeas; motion carried.

Standing Committee Reports

Parks and Recreation – Handwerk: The committee met Sept. 28. Discussions were around pickleball courts opening and functional. An intro to pickleball for about 8-12 people will be next Wednesday from 5-6:30 pm. Fall park maintenance, weeding, mulching and laying gravel, will take place Saturday. Fall Festival October 24th, 3-6 pm car show, 5 pm food trucks with some a little earlier, 6 pm Jeremy Taylor from the Song Birds, and 7:30 Easton Union with Orrville’s own Nick Hoffman on the drums. We are going to be following directions and guidance with hand sanitizers, asking people to wear masks and follow precautions. A comprehensive park plan is in the works. Happy Birthday to Orr Park’s Eric Seigley today.

Transportation – Mosley: Has not met. Shared a document on OPWC roads we are hopeful to do work on with a \$500, 000, legislation is on the agenda tonight. Please pass on first reading.

Planning – Widmer: Has not met. Would like to schedule a meeting soon with regards to a citizen concern about campers and rv’s parked around the city.

Transportation and Planning will have committee meetings both on October 26. Planning at 7 pm for the purpose of discussing rv’s and campers on residential property. Transportation will immediately follow at approximately 7:30 for the purpose of discussing side-by-sides, neighborhood speed awareness, and school one-way zone.

Special Committee Reports - None

Administrative Reports

Mayor Handwerk: This latest edition of OrrViews had an article on Service Department employee Myron Miller who was chosen as the Employee of the Month in Orrville by Heartland Education Committee for local businesses. A public power week proclamation was read. Public Power Week is October 4-10, 2020.

Safety Service Director Wheeler: Northstar begins paving West Chestnut this week now that Dominion has completed their gasline work there. Leaf pick up will begin November 2-13 on the south end, north November 16-25, and one final pass through December 11. You can also bag them and put them in your trash can for regular pick up.

Utility Director Brediger: Public Power Week is a good time to remind customers of the value of a locally controlled and operated utility. We have a dedicated and committed workforce, customer focused and make sure we provide low cost reliable service. Hydrant flushing has begun and will continue for several weeks. AMP held their annual conference virtually this year. Our distribution department received a zero lost time and the power plant received a less than 1% lost time safety awards. Brediger was elected to serve as chairman of the board of trustees again. Councilman Mosely and Utility Board member Combs were recognized for completing AMP’s public power certification. Natural gas aggregation program for this year is about 10% lower at \$3.05 mcf, for a two year period November 2020-October 2022. OMEA also honored retiree Dick Smith for his years of service to utilities.

Finance Director Strimlan: No report

Regular/Public

October 5, 2020

Law Director Kirkbride: Sunshine Law Training for November 17th has been cancelled. There is an on-demand, online training available. That link will be sent to everyone. Part of our audit requires new council members to take this in their first year, and those that have not yet taken it themselves at least once. We will try for an in-person training next year.

Clerk: Once you have completed the course send a copy of your certificate which needs to be placed in the files for the auditors.

Council President Vance: Trick or Treat?

Mayor: It will be held October 31st, 6-8 pm. Leave your porch light on if you are participating. It is up to parents to decide the safest way for their children to do that. People handing out candy, there are suggestions like bagging each individual item so someone isn't reaching a hand into a bowl, or use gloves.

Old Business

Resolution 27-20, Lorson moved that it be placed on third reading. Aspiras seconded. Roll call vote; all yeas; motion carried. **Resolution 27-20**, A Resolution authorizing the Board of Control of the City of Orrville, Ohio, to enter into a contract with Kimble Recycling and Disposal, Inc., competitively bid by the City of Wooster, Ohio for refuse collection and disposal and curbside recycling services; and declaring an emergency.

Discussion: Julie Monroy from Kimble was present to answer questions. This will go into effect the first of January. After council approves, the City of Wooster needs to pass legislation permitting the piggyback. We have reached out to the director of administration and he expressed Wooster would be willing to do so, although he didn't speak for council. Mosley also spoke to some Wooster councilmembers. They felt good about the Kimble contract that they currently have.

Lorson moved that Resolution 27-20 be adopted as read. Mosley seconded. Roll call vote; all yeas; motion carried.

Ordinance C-20 Lorson moved that it be placed on second reading. Wilson seconded. Roll call vote; all yeas; motion carried. **Ordinance C-20**, An Ordinance amending Section 931.07 of Chapter 931 of the Codified Ordinances of the City of Orrville, Ohio, relating to the rates for garbage and rubbish collection.

Discussion: This would allow us to freeze the rate for the five year period. It takes into account the average of rates proposed in the Wooster contract, also the 40 cent discount we give each resident due to the recycling grant, and also we add 25 cents as the administrative fee which will pay for the city services we receive from Kimble that had not been charged. Rates have not been raised in nine years. The cost has increased and this will stabilize them for five years. Beginning in January it will be \$15.90. Currently it is \$12.45 for regular and \$11.47 for seniors. The new contract does not have a senior rate. Needs to be passed before the first of the year.

This will go to third reading.

New Business

Resolution 32-20 Lorson moved that it be placed on first reading. Mosley seconded. Roll call vote; all yeas; motion carried. **Resolution 32-20**, A Resolution authorizing the Safety – Service Director to prepare and submit an application to participate in the Ohio Public Works Commission State Capital Improvement Program for grant or loan funds and/or agreements as required to obtain said funds, and declaring an emergency.

Discussion: Mosley had previously sent a memo outlining the roads picked for this year. Engineer's estimate is about \$1.3 million. Hopefully we receive the \$500,000 grant, then \$800,000 will be left. \$300,000 to come from the permissive fund to cover West High and then \$500,000 out of Capital Fund. They are highly ranked on the PCR, our rating system for our pavement, and are some of the

Regular/Public

October 5, 2020

worst roads in the city. It is required to be submitted in the next couple of week; passage is requested for this evening.

Lorson, given the grant application is instrumental in the maintenance of our streets, moved that the rules, regulations, and statutes requiring the reading of a resolution on three separate days be suspended. Mosley seconded. Roll call vote; all yeas; motion carried. Lorson moved that Resolution 32-20 be adopted as read. Handwerk seconded. Roll call vote; all yeas; motion carried.

Resolution 33-20 Lorson moved that it be placed on first reading. Handwerk seconded. Roll call vote; all yeas; motion carried. **Resolution 33-20**, A Resolution authorizing the Board of Control to enter into a contract and/or contracts for professional planning services to create a Parks and Recreation plan for the City of Orrville.

Discussion: This arises out of the committee meeting and allows us to go out for requests for proposals from engineering firms. It is not necessary to pass this evening. The RFP process does not obligate us to go with a certain bidder. And RFP is receiving proposals with generic amounts until we narrow the focus in. It gives us an idea of what the costs might be. If too high, we can narrow the focus. It includes all parks and surveys. Proposals will be rated, we will create a subcommittee to review. There is no cost to go out and seek the proposals. There will be community surveys and some focus group meetings. They will tell us what the community says and develop a plan for our park system and what the appropriate features might be. This gives us a master plan to use for several years to come and allow us to prioritize projects to fund and complete. It will also give funding recommendations, giving us a clear pathway to what grants to apply for the various facets of the plan. Handwerk did an outstanding job collecting the various issues before us at the parks.

Lorson, this will give us direction on what direction to go with the parks and this is the first step forward moved that the rules, regulations, and statutes requiring the reading of a resolution on three separate days be suspended. Mosley seconded. Roll call vote; all yeas; motion carried. Lorson moved that Resolution 33-20 be adopted as read. Handwerk seconded. Roll call vote; all yeas; motion carried.

Resolution 34-20 Lorson moved that it be placed on first reading. Aspiras seconded. Roll call vote; all yeas; motion carried. **Resolution 34-20**, 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, 2020 or 2021 Ford COVID Police Interceptor Utility V6 AWD Vehicle; or alternatively to purchase said vehicle from another dealer upon equivalent terms, conditions and specifications, but at a lower price than it can be purchased through the State Contract as allowed by Ohio Revised Code Section 125.04; or alternatively to advertise for bids and enter into an agreement and/or agreements for said purchase, and declaring an emergency.

Discussion: A unique Ford feature specifically for the interceptor vehicle will bakes the interior at 133 degrees to kill virus including COVID and bedbugs. It will be used for transporting anyone that has COVID issues to safeguard the officers and the community. It is not unique. Sheriff Hutchinson is purchasing four for the Sheriff's department. Mansfield has purchased a few. The challenge will be delivery by the end of December which is a requirement to use the CARES Act funds to cover the total cost. White's Ford here in town think we have a good chance to get it. Tight timeline, we can move forward as soon as passed.

Lorson, given the urgency to take advantage of funds and get the vehicle into service, moved that the rules, regulations, and statutes requiring the reading of a resolution on three separate days be suspended. Widmer seconded. Roll call vote; all yeas; motion carried. Lorson moved that Resolution 34-20 be adopted as read. Aspiras seconded. Roll call vote; all yeas; motion carried.

Resolution 35-20 Lorson moved that it be placed on first reading. Aspiras seconded. Roll call vote; all yeas; motion carried. **Resolution 35-20**, A Resolution authorizing the Board of Control to enter into an agreement and/or agreements with the State of Ohio Purchasing Cooperative, Department of

Regular/Public

October 5, 2020

Administrative Services to purchase one (1) 2020 or 2021 Ford F-250 truck; or alternatively to purchase said vehicle from another dealer upon equivalent terms, conditions and specifications, but at a lower price than it can be purchased through the State Contract as allowed by Ohio Revised Code Section 125.04; or alternatively to advertise for bids and enter into an agreement and/or agreements for said purchase, and declaring an emergency.

Discussion: This is a pickup truck for the fire department. It will serve as the chaser vehicle to allow them to split their group up on the way to a scene of a call. Only half of the crew will then be exposed to potential COVID issues. We have been dealing with COVID issues already. This will help to protect them and will be covered by the CARES Act. Anticipated delivery will still be a challenge but most likely purchased through the State bid. It will be outfitted with full PPE's and extra supplies for COVID calls.

Lorson, given we need to get the COVID items taken care of before the end of the year to have them funded properly, moved that the rules, regulations, and statutes requiring the reading of a resolution on three separate days be suspended. Handwerk seconded. Roll call vote; all yeas; motion carried. Lorson moved that Resolution 35-20 be adopted as read. Aspiras seconded. Roll call vote; all yeas; motion carried.

Good of the Order:

Widmer: On behalf of the Orrville Youth Running Club, thanked the City for handling a bee issue by the park after we were chased by the bees and stung repeatedly.

Adjournment

Lorson moved to adjourn the council meeting; Mosley seconded. Roll call vote; all yeas; motion carried.

Council adjourned at 8:39 p.m.

Jeanne Gault, Clerk of Council

_____, 2020
Date

Paul Vance, President of Council