

Regular Meeting / Public

Monday, April 18, 2022

Council President Vance called the meeting to order and the prayer was led by Pastor Brenneman. Pledge was recited.

Roll call. Handwerk, Aspiras, Shanklin, Lorson, Carr, Mosley, Wilson were all present.

Council minutes of the regular meeting April 4, 2022, were presented for approval. Lorson moved to approve those minutes; Aspiras seconded. All ayes; motion passes.

Public Comment

Tom Hochstetler, 1991 Meadow Lane, addressed council in opposition of the Phase IV sidewalk project on behalf of some of the resident.

Standing Committee Reports

Parks & Recreation – Handwerk: Met to discuss projects, maintenance and HR staffing needs.

Committees did not meet:

Transportation – Mosley: OABGC are interviewing for a new teen director.

Planning – Carr: The Design Review Board met April 14 and approved projects.

Administrative Reports

Mayor Handwerk: Addressed Mr. Hochstetler's comments that sidewalks are a safety issue for kids walking to school when it is dark out and brings property value when an area has walkability.

Safety-Service Director Wheeler: Park restroom masonry is halfway done and inside electrical work has begun. Concrete streets contractor is set to begin this week, weather permitting.

Utility Director Jeff Brediger: High wind event brought a couple outages

There was no Old Business

New Business

Ordinance C-22, Lorson moved that it be placed on first reading. Handwerk seconded. Roll call vote; all ayes; motion passes. **Ordinance C-22**, An Ordinance opting out of H.B. 172 and reaffirming the ban on discharging, igniting, or exploding consumer grade 1.4G fireworks in the City of Orrville, except as set forth herein.

Discussion: HB172 opens the ability for consumer grade 1.4G fireworks on certain dates giving the city some options. We choose to restrict dates and times to July 3, 4, and 5, and the Friday, Saturday and Sunday before and after the 4th of July from 8am-12 midnight. If HB172 passes it would be in effect as of July 1st, 2022. Must be on private property with the owner's permission to discharge the fireworks and must be age 18 or older. These restrictions are not the same as all the neighboring communities. This does not encompass the fire fighters fireworks event. This will go three readings.

Ordinance D-22, Lorson moved that it be placed on first reading. Mosley seconded. Roll call vote; all ayes; motion passes.

The Law Director suggested he abstains on any voting on this legislation. Shanklin requested to abstain due to a family member that is working seasonal for the city making it a conflict. Vote to reconsider Shanklin's vote, motioned by Lorson, second by Aspiras, roll call vote was all ayes. Motion passed. Lorson moved to allow Shanklin to abstain from voting on this legislation, second by Mosley, all ayes. So moved.

Motion to place on first reading by Lorson, second by Carr, roll call vote; Shanklin abstained, all remaining ayes, motion passes.

Ordinance D-22, An Ordinance establishing wages for part-time and seasonal employees of the City of Orrville and declaring an emergency.

Discussion: 2008 was the last time we passed legislation regarding seasonal and part-time employment wages. With inflation and increases we have an employee that will surpass

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that. We have struggled to attract part-time seasonal employees and skilled in trade level that can give us 180 days of employment. This will establish an ongoing method of calculation for these hires. Also, we have 10 openings for positions for this summer and are seeking applicants.

Lorson moved that the rules, regulations, and statutes requiring the reading of an ordinance on three separate days be suspended. Wilson seconded. Shanklin abstained, all remaining ayes; motion passes. Lorson moved that **Ordinance D-22** be adopted as read. Wilson seconded. Roll call vote; Shanklin abstained, all remaining ayes; motion passes.

Resolution 17-22, Lorson moved that it be placed on first reading. Handwerk seconded. Roll call vote; all ayes; motion passes. **Resolution 17-22**, A Resolution authorizing the Director of Utilities and/or the Public Utilities Board of Control to enter into a contract and/or contracts, without bidding, for the purchase of major hardware, software, and agreements of maintenance support and/or consultation required by the City of Orrville and the Department of Public Utilities, to comply with current software requirements and cyber security insurance regulations and declaring an emergency.

Discussion: A memo was sent out to everyone with an explanation from our IT Manager Jeff Fenningsdorf. We are updating a number of computer systems. This is driven by our cyber security insurance being at risk without two-factor authentication. This will come out of both city funds and utility funds. Some of this has to be implemented by May 1st or we will see higher premiums until we do have it in place. This is time sensitive.

Lorson moved that the rules, regulations, and statutes requiring the reading of a resolution on three separate days be suspended. Shanklin seconded. All ayes; motion passes. Lorson moved that **Resolution 17-22** be adopted as read. Wilson seconded. Roll call vote; all ayes; motion passes.

Resolution 18-22, Lorson moved that it be placed on first reading. Mosley seconded. Roll call vote; all ayes; motion passes. **Resolution 18-22**, A Resolution declaring the necessity of constructing sidewalks on certain properties in the City of Orrville, Ohio.

Discussion: This will go three readings.

Resolution 19-22, Lorson moved that it be placed on first reading. Mosley seconded. Roll call vote; all ayes; motion passes. **Resolution 19-22**, A Resolution establishing policies for Phase IV of the Orrville Sidewalk Installation Program for the City of Orrville, Ohio.

Discussion: This piece addresses financial concerns and the differences for properties and gives qualification relief for low/moderate income households. And formulas for those that the fall under section three. City paying for the installation of curb ramps also provides relief. If council passes the legislation, every property owner would receive a detailed letter which would also include the policy and programs available.

Director Janet Strimlan presented the Finance Annual Report copy on file in the Finance office.

Adjournment

Monday, May 2nd is our next meeting. Lorson moved to adjourn the council meeting; Aspiras seconded. Roll call vote; all ayes; motion passes. Council adjourned.

Jeanne Gault, Clerk of Council

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Date

Paul Vance, President of Council