

RECORD OF PROCEEDINGS
Minutes of Rossford City Council Meeting
Held February 8, 2021

The meeting was called to order by Mayor Mackinnon via online Zoom meeting followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

ROLL CALL: Staczek, Eckel, Marquette, Ruse, and Densic all present. Mr. Staczek moved and Mr. Densic seconded the motion to excuse Mr. Oberdorf. All ayes. Motion carried. Mr. Staczek moved and Mr. Densic seconded the motion to excuse Mr. Heban. All ayes. Motion carried.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES: Minutes of January 25, 2021 regular council meeting were presented to council. Mr. Densic moved and Mr. Staczek seconded the motion to approve the minutes. All ayes except Mr. Staczek who abstained. Motion carried.

Mrs. Eckel and Mr. Oberdorf joined the meeting.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA: Agenda for regular council meeting of January 25, 2021 was presented to council. There is not a marina committee report. Mr. Densic moved and Mr. Staczek seconded the motion to accept the agenda. All ayes. Motion carried.

SWEARING IN: Mayor Mackinnon swore in two new police officers Derek Fillmore and Keon Domanski

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Finance & Insurance committee report from January 25, 2021 was presented by Mr. Densic (see written report).

Recreation committee report from February 2, 2021 was presented by Mr. Oberdorf (see written report). Mr. Densic asked that the administration look at the full-time recreation maintenance position and possibly broaden to make it maintenance across the city and pay from the general fund. Mr. Oberdorf said the committee will look at that. Mayor Mackinnon asked why the removal of the ballfield at Veterans Park is being looked at. Mr. Oberdorf said it is one of several options being looked at but said it would not be eliminated until we had another location and that the marina ends at the shoreline as far as he's concerned and the park is the park and any decisions will be made by the recreation committee. Mayor Mackinnon said our goal should be to add facilities not eliminate and that last year it was removing the basketball courts now it's the ballfield. Mr. Staczek said this is just the first step of gathering information and is part of the O'Brien study. Mr. Densic said he echoes Mr. Staczek's comments and there is no intent to take out anything without replacing with something better. He said the best scenario is for a recreation complex with multiple fields.

Public Safety committee report from January 27, 2021 was presented by Mrs. Eckel (see written report). Mrs. Eckel would like a motion approved that Chief Drouard be allowed to schedule overnight shifts. Attorney Heban said the motion is appropriate but should be in resolution form which he will prepare for the next meeting.

Mrs. Eckel moved and Mr. Marquette seconded the motion that Chief Drouard be allowed to schedule overnight shifts with resolution to follow. All ayes. Motion carried

Chief Drouard said he appreciated Mrs. Eckel's motion and that it will take to March 1st to work out a Method of Understanding with the union.

REPORT OF MAYOR AND/OR ADMINISTRATOR

Ms. Murray again thanked city employees for their outstanding service to the public during the pandemic and our citizens for their patience and support. She reviewed the legislation on tonight's agenda and asked

Chief Kitzler to report on his meeting with ODNR regarding the deer population. Chief Kitzler said he met with Bob Ford, a deer biologist with ODNR who recommended we do not do a survey of the population as they are unreliable and costly. Mr. Ford recommended tracking complaints, deer/auto crashes, damage caused by deer, and the number of deer we euthanize for the next year at which time we can set goals and what methods to use to control the population. He said the feeding of deer causes more problems by attracting more deer and contributing to wasting disease. He also talked about the geese problem and said he is not against lethal options for geese or deer but that should be a last option and gave other options such as harassing them and shaking the eggs in the nest. Mr. Densic questioned what kind of damage from deer they were looking for and Chief Kitzler said he will discuss that with Mr. Ford when they meet on the 18th. Mr. Ruse said not only do we have a deer problem but a coyote problem and asked that be discussed on the 18th. Mayor Mackinnon said let's determine the extent of the problem first. Mayor Mackinnon welcomed and thanked Scannell Properties for the investment in the community, said we are in competition for three other large companies, one of which would have about 650 employees. We have great momentum and a great team working on it and this will help with our problem of lack of revenue.

CORRESPONDENCE

None

ORDINANCES

#2021 – 04 - AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE LEASING OF (3) THREE POLICE VEHICLES THROUGH THE STATE OF OHIO COOPERATIVE PURCHASING PROGRAM, WAIVING COMPETITIVE BIDDING AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

Mr. Oberdorf moved and Mr. Staczek seconded the motion to read by title only. All ayes. Motion carried. Mr. Densic asked what is the impact on our debt capacity and Ms. Schell said at this point she has not done an analysis. Mrs. Eckel moved and Mr. Oberdorf seconded the motion to suspend with the second and third readings. Audience comments were requested and none received. Vote on the motion was Eckel, Oberdorf, Staczek, and Marquette aye; Densic and Ruse no. Vote is 4-2 and motion fails as five votes needed to suspend. This was given a first reading only.

#2021 – 05 - AN ORDINANCE APPROVING A COOPERATIVE AGREEMENT WITH THE WOOD COUNTY PORT AUTHORITY, LAKE TOWNSHIP AND THE CITY OF NORTHWOOD TO PARTICIPATE IN A SAFETY FORCES STUDY FOR THE 795 CORRIDOR, AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

Mr. Oberdorf moved and Mr. Staczek seconded the motion to read by title only. All ayes. Motion carried. Mr. Densic said this does not include Perrysburg Township and Mayor Mackinnon said they could be added. Mr. Oberdorf said this is a great opportunity and a step in the right direction. Mr. Densic moved and Mr. Oberdorf seconded the motion to suspend with the second and third readings. Audience comments were requested and none received. Vote on the motion all ayes. Motion carried. Mr. Densic moved and Mr. Staczek seconded the motion to declare an emergency. All ayes. Motion carried. Mr. Densic moved and Mr. Staczek seconded the motion to adopt. All ayes. Motion carried.

RESOLUTIONS

#2021 – 03 - A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO ACCEPT FUNDS FROM THE STATE OF OHIO HOUSE BILL 481, SECTION 223.15 AND ENTER INTO AN AGREEMENT WITH THE STATE OF OHIO DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES FOR THE PURPOSE OF MAKING CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS TO THE ROSSFORD MARINA. SECOND READING

Mr. Densic moved and Mr. Oberdorf seconded the motion to read by title only. All ayes. Motion carried. Mr. Densic moved and Mr. Staczek seconded the motion to suspend with the third reading. Audience comments were requested and none received. Vote on the motion all ayes. Motion carried. Mr. Densic moved and Mr. Staczek seconded the motion to adopt. All ayes. Motion carried.

#2021 – 05- A RESOLUTION TO APPROVE THE MAYOR’S RE- APPOINTMENT OF VICKIE GALLAGHER TO THE STREET TREE COMMISSION; AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY

Mr. Staczek moved and Mrs. Eckel seconded the motion to read by title only. All ayes. Motion carried.
Mr. Staczek moved and Mrs. Eckel seconded the motion to suspend with the second and third readings. Audience comments were requested and none received. Vote on the motion all ayes. Motion carried. Mr. Staczek moved and Mrs. Eckel seconded the motion to declare an emergency. All ayes. Motion carried.
Mr. Staczek moved and Mrs. Eckel seconded the motion to adopt. All ayes. Motion carried.

#2021 – 06 - A RESOLUTION TO APPROVE THE MAYOR’S RE-APPOINTMENT OF LARRY SHAW TO THE BOARD OF ZONING APPEALS; AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY

Mr. Staczek moved and Mr. Densic seconded the motion to read by title only. All ayes. Motion carried.
Mr. Staczek moved and Mr. Densic seconded the motion to suspend with the second and third readings. Audience comments were requested and none received. Vote on the motion all ayes. Motion carried. Mr. Staczek moved and Mr. Densic seconded the motion to declare an emergency. All ayes. Motion carried.
Mr. Staczek moved and Mr. Densic seconded the motion to adopt. All ayes. Motion carried.

#2021 – 07 - A RESOLUTION TO APPROVE THE MAYOR’S APPOINTMENT OF ANDREA HENLINE TO THE MUNICIPAL PLANNING COMMISSION; AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY

Mr. Staczek moved and Mrs. Eckel seconded the motion to read by title only. All ayes. Motion carried.
Mr. Densic thanked the mayor for forwarding her resume and also thanked outgoing member Judy Heban for her years on service on the Municipal Planning Commission. Mr. Densic moved and Mr. Staczek seconded the motion to suspend with the second and third readings. Audience comments were requested and none received. Vote on the motion all ayes. Motion carried. Mr. Densic moved and Mrs. Eckel seconded the motion to declare an emergency. All ayes. Motion carried. Mr. Densic moved and Mrs. Eckel seconded the motion to adopt. All ayes. Motion carried.

#2021-08 - A RESOLUTION SUPPORTING THE TARTA 2021 OHIO LOVES TRANSIT PARTNERSHIP PROJECT AND PLEDGE FORM AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY

Mr. Staczek moved and Mrs. Eckel seconded the motion to read by title only. All ayes. Motion carried.
Mrs. Eckel moved and Mr. Marquette seconded the motion to suspend with the second and third readings. Audience comments were requested and none received. Vote on the motion all ayes. Motion carried. Mrs. Eckel moved and Mr. Marquette seconded the motion to declare an emergency. All ayes. Motion carried.
Mrs. Eckel moved and Mr. Marquette seconded the motion to adopt. All ayes. Motion carried.

COUNCIL REMARKS

Mr. Staczek said he echoed Mr. Densic’s comments regarding Judy Heban and that we are thankful for the time and energy she devoted to the Planning Commission.

Mr. Oberdorf asked if we planned to start meeting in person any time soon.

Mr. Oberdorf moved and Mr. Staczek seconded the motion to begin in person meetings on February 22nd. All ayes except Mrs. Eckel who voted no.

Mrs. Eckel thanked Mrs. Heban for her years of service and dedication to the community and said without people giving their time like that we could not function.

AUDIENCE REMARKS

None

Mr. Staczek moved and Mr. Densic seconded the motion to adjourn. All ayes. Motion carried.

Neil A. Mackinnon III
Mayor

Robert P. Watrol
Clerk of Council