

COUNCIL MINUTES
December 7, 2015

St. Clairsville City Council met in Council Chambers on Monday, December 7, 2015 with the following present

Terry Pugh, Council President	Robert Vincenzo, Mayor
Mark Bukmir, Council 3 rd Ward	Tom Murphy, Planning & Zoning Administrator
Jake Olsavsky, Council, 1 st Ward	Cindi Henry, Finance Director
David Trouten, Council, 4 th Ward	Jeff Henry, Police Chief
Frank Sabatino, Council, 2 nd Ward	Dennis Bigler, Service Director
Jim Weisgerber, Council-At-Large	Don Smithberger, Electric Superintendent
	Richard Myser, Law Director

The meeting was called to order by Council President Terry Pugh

The pledge of allegiance was led by James Facemyer & Daniel Traczyk of Troupe 66

CITIZENS HEARING:

Mike Kasper: Mr. President thank you for recognizing me tonight. The first thing I would like to say is congratulations on your win in the past election and also to Beth. Good luck to you in the coming years also. Another thing I would like to say and I know this is early but next year there is going to be a shuffle of Council you will take the Mayor, Council will vote on a President, now depending on which way it goes that seat becomes at large or if Mr. Trouten becomes President it comes in my Ward. I would just like to make the statement that I am interested in running for that position and I would appreciate very much to be recognized for that. **Terry Pugh:** Sure, thank you very much Mike and thanks for coming. **Mike Kasper:** Merry Christmas and Happy Holidays. **Terry Pugh:** Same to you and to your family.

MINUTES

Everyone received the November 16th minutes. Are there any additions or deletions? Do I have a motion to accept the minutes as presented? A motion was made by Jim Weisgerber and seconded by David Trouten to accept the minutes of the November 16, 2015 meeting as presented.

Roll Call Vote

Bukmir	Yes	Sabatino	Yes
Trouten	Yes	Weisgerber	Yes
Olsavsky	Yes		

Roll Call Vote Five (5) Yes Zero (0) No Motion Approved

REPORTS

Service Director, Dennis Bigler

- The Street Department advises me that they are done picking up loose leaves but they will continue to pick up bagged leaves. The weather has been cooperating this year.
- We are in the process of interviewing candidates for the Water/Wastewater Superintendent position. We have four qualified applicants that we are in the process of interviewing right now. We are hoping to have a selection there very soon.

- We have an ordinance here tonight for equipment purchase for various pieces of equipment. We haven't purchased equipment for a number of years because of the city's financial situation and we are trying to get some badly needed equipment in here and this is a start toward that.
- Cindi and I are working on a OWDA loan for the RBC project a two million dollar project so they are going to be meeting in mid-January so that is when the decision will be made. If we are lucky enough to get the funding that will be awarded then we bid on a contract and issue a notice of award. I would expect that there is going to have to be a rate increase in order to get that funding. We don't know exactly what that is yet. We are working on that right now but that is something that Council will be seeing in the next meeting or two.
- I wanted to invite Council and everyone here to an event tomorrow. The noon Rotary Club in conjunction with Judge Edmund Sargus who has become quite an authority on a historical figure buried here in St. Clairsville Thomas Drummond. Ed wrote a book on that and there is an article in the New York Times that he did on Drummond's life. There is another addition to the Historical markers that we have in the city. This is one that Ed and the Rotary championed and got the Ohio History Connection the State Agency. Officials from there will be here tomorrow along with Judge Sargus and some other folks to dedicate the memorial which is going to be located on Newell Avenue.

Mayor, Robert Vincenzo

- I would really like to complement the City Electric Department particularly and the other departments that put up the Christmas decorations this year. I can't tell you how many compliments I have had since the lights have been on about how great the downtown area looks I get compliments to our departments for making that happen. The lights are very outstanding this year.
- Councilman, Perry Jones is in the hospital. **Terry Pugh:** Perry went in Friday night and they are doing more tests today. He has been in a lot of pain and his wife will let me know later tonight what action they will have to take.

Monthly Police Report – November 2015

Calls and Complaints	163
Special Teams Call Outs	2
Drug Task Force	1
Special Operations Branch	1
Assist Other Agency	8
Accidents	16
On Roadway	11
Private Property	5
Arrests	56
Traffic	37
Criminal	7
Domestic	3
Juvenile	7
Warrant	2

Parking Tickets Issued	35
Traffic Citations Issued	20
Warnings Given	32
Domestic Calls	2
Alarm Drops Answered	16
Breaking & Entering	1
Theft	13
Burglary	1
Miles Put on Cruisers	6,547
Gasoline Used	523 gallon

Police Chief, Jeff Henry

- We made it through the Christmas Parade without any major problems.

Finance Director, Cindi Henry

- Next Council Meeting I will have all the money moves that have to be done to clean up the appropriations to make everything to run to the black and not the red. This time of year I get to where I am taking money from different places and there is not always enough to cover it. I have to pull it from another place and put it there. That will be prepared for next meeting.
- I met with Lindsay from the Rec. Center today and she has a new program and it is fantastic. She presented her first bantam basketball where they checked everybody in through the window down there and they paid as they came through and the POS system on the software they have produced reports that were spot on balanced right to the dime and we ran it past the Auditor because there are no longer tickets. They were thrilled to death with what this software does. I think we are on the right track headed the right way.

Planning & Zoning Administrator, Tom Murphy

- You have Ordinance No. 2015-48. The ordinance approves the zone change requested by Kelly Cappelletti. It does have the emergency language in there as Council requested. If you have questions feel free to ask me or Richard.
- I just talked to Preston Kress from ODOT and they are going to start working on some of those punch list items. They will have everything finalized out in approximately two months.

COUNCIL COMMITTEES:

Finance, Libby Heintzelman – Not Present

Utilities, Frank Sabatino

- **Don Smithberger:** I would like to thank Council the Citizens and the Administration for their support this year and helping us move forward.
- **Frank Sabatino:** I want to thank Donnie & Shelley for attending the Utility Meeting.

Police, Perry Jones – Not Present

Street North Side, David Trouten – No Report

Street South Side, Jim Weisgerber – No Report

Safety, Libby Heintzelman – Not Present

Building and Grounds, Mark Bukmir – No Report

Planning Commission, Jim Weisgerber – No Report

Fire District, Frank Sabatino

- The Fire Board met in regular session last Monday, November 30th. Personnel was the topic of the evening. We hired two full time Firefighters and EMS personnel and the Board approved the hiring of Tim Hall as a Lieutenant to replace the retired Steve Cupryk.
- We will have a special meeting this Thursday, December 10th at the Rec. Center.
- Our next regular scheduled meeting will be December 30th at 11:00 a.m. and that will start off with the reorganization and then the regular meeting.

Recreation, David Trouten – No Report

Park District, Perry Jones – Not Present

ORDINANCES & RESOLUTIONS

Law Director, Richard Myser

We have four different ordinances tonight that we need to discuss. First of all we have the third reading for Resolution No. 2015-46. This was the resolution prohibiting the installation of any further utility lines or fiber optic lines being attached to utility poles located along the Route 40 corridor. This will be the third reading and if we want to we can pass that tonight. We have for a first reading Ordinance No. 2015-48. This is an Ordinance changing the zoning district classification at 235 W. Main Street from (CD) to (DD). And declaring this an emergency. We also have two other ordinances that Dennis referred to Ordinance No. 2015-49 is to allow the city to purchase equipment and vehicles. These would be purchased through the Ohio cooperative purchasing program for its first reading tonight and it is also drafted for an emergency reading. Ordinances 2015-49 & 2015-50 were just drafted to day so that is why council did not receive them on Friday. Ordinance No. 2015-50 is another ordinance to purchase a 1 ton and a ½ ton pickup. This ordinance grants permission to advertise for bids. **Mark Bukmir:** I have a question on Ordinance 2015-49. I think it should say Director of Public Services and the money doesn't seem correct there should be a decimal point in there in the \$25,000.00. **Richard Myser:** You are right that is a typographical error. We can act on it tonight and I can get that changed.

We will be going into executive session tonight under Ohio Revised Code Section 121.22 (G) (1) to consider appointments for public officials and Section 121.22 (G) (4) consultation with Legal Counsel regarding certain Court action.

There was presented and read to Council on its third and final reading by title only, RESOLUTION NO. 2015-46; A RESOLUTION PROHIBITING THE INSTALLATION OF ANY FURTHER UTILITY LINES OR FIBER OPTIC LINES BEING ATTACHED TO

UTILITY POLES LOCATED ALONG THE U.S. ROUTE 40 CORRIDOR AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY. A motion was made by Jim Weisgerber and seconded by Jake Olsavsky that Resolution No. 2015-46 be passed by Council.

Roll Call Vote

Bukmir	Yes	Sabatino	Yes
Trouten	Yes	Weisgerber	Yes
Olsavsky	Yes		
Roll Call Vote	Five (5) Yes	Zero (0) No	Motion Approved

There was presented and read to Council on its first reading by title only, ORDINANCE NO. 2015-48; AN ORDINANCE CHANGING THE ZONING DISTRICT CLASSIFICATION OF A 0.53 ACRE PARCEL OF REAL PROPERTY COMMONLY KNOWN AS 235 WEST MAIN STREET FROM (CD) CORRIDOR DISTRICT TO DOWNTOWN DISTRICT (DD) AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

There was presented and read to Council on its first reading by title only, ORDINANCE NO. 2015-49; AN ORDINANCE PROVIDING AUTHORIZATION TO THE DIRECTOR OF PUBLIC SERVICES TO SOLICIT COMPETITIVE BIDS FOR CERTAIN EQUIPMENT AND VEHICLES UNDER THE COOPERATIVE PURCHASING PROGRAM, AUTHORIZING AN EXPENDITURE IN EXCESS OF \$25,000.00 AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

There was presented and read to Council on its first reading by title only, ORDINANCE NO. 2015-50: AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE DIRECTOR OF PUBLIC SERVICES TO ADVERTISE FOR BIDS FOR THE PURCHASE OF A USED 1 TON 4WD PICKUP AND USED ½ TON 4WD PICKUP AND AUTHORIZING AN EXPENDITURE IN EXCESS OF \$25,000.00 AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY

EXECUTIVE SESSION:

A motion was made by Jim Weisgerber and seconded by Jake Olsavsky to go into Executive Session per Ohio Revised Code Section 121.22 (G) (1) to consider appointments for public officials and Section 121.22 (G) (4) consultation with Legal Counsel regarding certain Court action.

Roll Call Vote

Bukmir	Yes	Sabatino	Yes
Trouten	Yes	Weisgerber	Yes
Olsavsky	Yes		
Roll Call Vote	Five (5) Yes	Zero (0) No	Motion Approved

A motion was made by Jim Weisgerber and seconded by Jake Olsavsky to return to regular session.

Roll Call Vote

Bukmir	Yes	Sabatino	Yes
Trouten	Yes	Weisgerber	Yes

Olsavsky Yes
Roll Call Vote Five (5) Yes Zero (0) No Motion Approved

There being no further business to come before Council a motion to adjourn was made by Jim Weisgerber and seconded by David Trouten.

NEXT MEETING: The next regular scheduled meeting will be Monday, December 21, 2015 at 7:30 in the Council Chambers.

Kathleen M. Kaluger, Clerk

D. Terry Pugh, Council President