

**GALION CITY COUNCIL
MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING
January 9, 2018**

The January 9, 2018 meeting of Galion City Council was called to order by President Carl Watt. The Pledge of Allegiance was followed by an invocation by Pastor Rick Maddox from the Galion Alliance Church.

Clerk of Council Julie Bell called roll with the following members present: Mr. Baldinger, Ms. Clark, Mr. Comerford, Ms. Erlsten, Mr. Richart, and Mr. Triplett.

Mr. Comerford made a motion to excuse Dr. Fellner. Mr. Triplett seconded the motion. Motion carried.

The roll call for elected officials and officials required by Council Rules and the Ohio Revised Code to be present was called with the following present: Mayor O'Leary, Director of Law Palmer, and Treasurer Sparks.

Department Heads in attendance: Bob Johnston, Trish Factor, and Matt Echelberry.

President Watt asked for a motion to approve the minutes from December 12, 2017 regular meeting. Ms. Clark made the motion to approve the minutes which was seconded by Mr. Richart. Motion carried.

President Watt asked for a motion to approve the minutes from the December 13, 2017 Special Meeting. Mr. Baldinger made the motion to approve the minutes which was seconded by Mr. Richart. Motion carried.

President Watt asked for a motion to approve the minutes from the December 18, 2017 Special Meeting. Mr. Richart made the motion which was seconded by Ms. Erlsten. Motion carried.

President Watt asked for a motion to add Ordinance No. 2018-1 to the agenda. Mr. Baldinger made the motion which was seconded by Ms. Clark. The roll call resulted as follows: Mr. Baldinger, yea, Ms. Clark, yea, Mr. Comerford, yea, Ms. Erlsten, yea, Mr. Richart, yea, Mr. Triplett, yea. Motion carried 6-0.

President Watt asked for a motion to add Ordinance No. 2018-2 to the agenda. Mr. Comerford made the motion which was seconded by Mr. Richart. The roll call resulted as follows: Mr. Baldinger, yea, Ms. Clark, yea, Mr. Comerford, yea, Ms. Erlsten, yea, Mr. Richart, yea, Mr. Triplett, yea. Motion carried 6-0.

President Watt asked for a motion to add Resolution No. 2018-1 to the agenda. Mr. Richart made the motion which was seconded by Ms. Erlsten. The roll call resulted as follows: Mr. Baldinger, yea, Ms. Clark, yea, Mr. Comerford, yea, Ms. Erlsten, yea, Mr. Richart, yea, Mr. Triplett, yea. Motion carried 6-0.

President Watt asked for a motion to add Resolution No. 2018-2 to the agenda. Mr. Richart made the motion which was seconded by Mr. Baldinger. The roll call resulted as follows: Mr. Baldinger, yea, Ms. Clark, yea, Mr. Comerford, yea, Ms. Erlsten, yea, Mr. Richart, yea, Mr. Triplett, yea. Motion carried 6-0.

Ms. Erlsten made the motion to approve the agenda as amended which was seconded by Ms. Clark. Motion carried.

Public Comments

None

Reorganization (ORC 731.04)

Election of President Pro Tempore – Ms. Clark made the motion to nominate Gail Baldinger. Mr. Comerford seconded the motion. Mr. Richart made the motion to close the nominations which was seconded by Ms. Erlsten. The roll call on the motion resulted as follows: Mr. Baldinger, yes, Ms. Clark, yea, Mr. Comerford, yea, Ms. Erlsten, yea, Mr. Richart, yea, Mr. Triplett, yea. Motion carried. The roll

call on the original motion resulted as follows: Mr. Baldinger, abstain, Ms. Clark, yea, Mr. Comerford, yea, Ms. Erlsten, yea, Mr. Richart, yea, Mr. Triplett, yea.

Election of Clerk of Council: Mr. Baldinger made the motion to nominate Julie Bell which was seconded by Mr. Richart. Ms. Erlsten made the motion to close the nominations which was seconded by Mr. Comerford. The roll call on the motion resulted as follows: Mr. Baldinger, yes, Ms. Clark, yea, Mr. Comerford, yea, Ms. Erlsten, yea, Mr. Richart, yea, Mr. Triplett, yea. The roll call on the original motion resulted as follows: Mr. Baldinger, yes, Ms. Clark, yea, Mr. Comerford, yea, Ms. Erlsten, yea, Mr. Richart, yea, Mr. Triplett, yea.

Election of Clerk Pro Tempore: Mr. Triplett made the motion to nominate Natasha Hatfield which was seconded by Ms. Clark. Mr. Baldinger made the motion to close the nominations which was second by Mr. Comerford. The roll call on the motion resulted as follows: Mr. Baldinger, yes, Ms. Clark, yea, Mr. Comerford, yea, Ms. Erlsten, yea, Mr. Richart, yea, Mr. Triplett, yea. The roll call on the original motion resulted as follows: Mr. Baldinger, yes, Ms. Clark, yea, Mr. Comerford, yea, Ms. Erlsten, yea, Mr. Richart, yea, Mr. Triplett, yea.

The committee assignments were distributed as made by the President of Council

Public Hearing

A public hearing was held on the creation of a new zoning classification of Education Services District. This would be set up similar to the Health Services District that encompasses the hospital property. This Galion City School property located in the vicinity of the current school campus would be included in the Educational Services District. Representatives from the school board and administration were present to answer any questions. Director of Law Palmer explained the district and its purpose. After discussion the public hearing closed at 7:17 p.m.

Legislation

Ordinance No. 2018-1 (First Reading)

An Ordinance setting the duties and compensation for the position of Clerk of Council elected under section 731.04 of the Ohio Revised Code, and declaring an emergency.

Mr. Richart made the motion to approve seconded by Mr. Baldinger.

Mr. Richart made the motion to suspend the rules and proceed to the final reading. Ms. Clark seconded the motion. The roll call resulted as follows: Mr. Richart, yea, Ms. Clark, yea, Mr. Comerford, yea, Ms. Erlsten, yea, Mr. Triplett, yea, Mr. Baldinger, yea. Motion carried 6-0.

The roll call on Ordinance No. 2018-1 resulted as follows: Mr. Richart, yea, Mr. Baldinger, yea, Ms. Clark, yea, Mr. Comerford, yea, Ms. Erlsten, yea, Mr. Triplett, yea. Motion carried by a vote of 6-0 and Ordinance No. 2018-1 passed for a Final Reading.

Ordinance No. 2018-2 (First Reading)

An Ordinance authorizing and directing the Safety-Service Director to advertise for bids and to enter into contracts with the lowest and best bidders therefore, according to law, for the purchase of certain materials and equipment required and needed for the operation of the various departments of the City of Galion, Ohio, and declaring an emergency.

Mr. Triplett made the motion to approve seconded by Mr. Comerford.

Mr. Triplett made the motion to suspend the rules and proceed to the final reading. Mr. Baldinger seconded the motion. The roll call resulted as follows: Mr. Baldinger, yea, Mr. Triplett, yea, Ms. Clark, yea, Mr. Comerford, yea, Ms. Erlsten, yea, Mr. Richart, yea,. Motion carried 6-0.

The roll call on Ordinance No. 2018-2 resulted as follows: Mr. Triplett, yea, Mr. Comerford, yea, Ms. Erlsten, yea, Mr. Richart, yea, Mr. Baldinger, yea, Ms. Clark, yea,. Motion carried by a vote of 6-0 and Ordinance No. 2018-2 passed for a Final Reading.

Ordinance No. 2018-3 (First Reading)

An Ordinance enacting Chapter 1155 of the Galion Planning and Zoning Code by establishing an Educational Services (ES) District and the purpose, permitted uses, conditional uses, and developmental standards therefor.

Mr. Richart made the motion to approve seconded by Mr. Comerford.

Mr. Comerford made the motion to suspend the rules and proceed to the final reading. Mr. Richart seconded the motion. The roll call resulted as follows: Mr. Richart, yea, Mr. Comerford, yea, Ms. Erlsten, yea, Mr. Triplett, yea, Mr. Baldinger, yea, Ms. Clark, yea. Motion carried 6-0.

The roll call on Ordinance No. 2018-3 resulted as follows: Mr. Richart, yea, Mr. Comerford, yea, Ms. Erlsten, yea, Mr. Triplett, yea, Mr. Baldinger, yea, Ms. Clark, yea. Motion carried by a vote of 6-0 and Ordinance No. 2018-3 passed for a Final Reading.

Resolution No. 2018-1 (First Reading)

A Resolution appointing Jennifer Kuns to the Board of Trustees of the Egbert M. Frees Foundation

Mr. Comerford made the motion to approve seconded by Ms. Erlsten.

Mr. Comerford made the motion to suspend the rules and proceed to the final reading. Ms. Clark seconded the motion. The roll call resulted as follows:, Mr. Comerford, yea, Ms. Clark, yea, Ms. Erlsten, yea, Mr. Richart, yea, Mr. Triplett, yea, Mr. Baldinger, yea. Motion carried 6-0.

The roll call on Resolution No. 2018-1 resulted as follows: Mr. Comerford, yea, Ms. Erlsten, yea, Mr. Richart, yea, Mr. Baldinger, yea, Ms. Clark, yea, Mr. Triplett, yea. Motion carried by a vote of 6-0 and Resolution No. 2018-1 passed for a Final Reading.

Resolution No. 2018-2 (First Reading)

A Resolution approving the appointment of Wendy Kerr to the Galion City Health Board, as appointed by the City Mayor.

Ms. Erlsten made the motion to approve seconded by Ms. Clark.

Mr. Comerford made the motion to suspend the rules and proceed to the final reading. Ms. Erlsten seconded the motion. The roll call resulted as follows:, Mr. Comerford, yea, Ms. Erlsten, yea, Mr. Richart, yea, Mr. Triplett, yea, Mr. Baldinger, yea, Ms. Clark, yea. Motion carried 6-0.

The roll call on Resolution No. 2018-2 resulted as follows: Ms. Erlsten, yea, Ms. Clark, yea, Mr. Comerford, yea, Mr. Richart, yea, Mr. Baldinger, yea, Mr. Triplett, yea. Motion carried by a vote of 6-0 and Resolution No. 2018-2 passed for a Final Reading.

Other Business

Upcoming committees:

Parks and Recreation – January 10, 2018 at 7:00 p.m.

Finance – January 18, 2018 at 7:00 p.m.

Police, Fire and Health – January 24, 2018 at 7:00 p.m.

Laws, Ordinances, Zoning & Permits – February 6, 2018 at 7:00 p.m.

Utilities – February 7, 2018 at 7:00 p.m.

Auditor's Report

Nothing not in attendance

Treasurer's Report

Reconciliation done. Month and year end done the week.

Director of Law

Annual Report given out. Close took place on the acreage north of Sleep Inn. Annexation is complete.

Mayor's Report

Announced Matt Horn as an appointment to the Planning Commission to the seat formerly held by Eric Kent.

Al Baker is critiquing the process for dealing with the winter storms, along with the consumables and overtime. City is not out of salt.

President of Council

Thanked Director of Law Palmer for his work on the annexation. Thanked everyone for coming. Thanked the school representatives as well

President Watt asked for a motion to adjourn. Mr. Triplett made the motion and Mr. Baldinger seconded. The motion carried and the meeting adjourned at 7:56p.m.

Carl W. Watt
Council President

Julie L. Bell
Clerk of Council