

**GALION CITY COUNCIL
MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING
March 24, 2020**

The March 24, 2020 meeting of Galion City Council was called to order by President Watt. The Pledge of Allegiance was followed by a moment of silence.

Clerk of Council Julie Bell called roll with the following members present: Mr. Baldinger, Ms. Erlsten, Dr. Fellner, Mr. Ivy, Mr. Richart, and Mr. Triplett. Mr. Richart made the motion to excuse Mr. Bodkins. Ms. Erlsten seconded the motion. Motion carried 6-0.

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, Auditor Treisch, Treasurer Sparks, and Safety Service Director Ward.

President Watt asked for a motion to approve the minutes from the March 10, 2020 regular meeting. Mr. Baldinger made the motion to approve as presented. Mr. Triplett seconded the motion. Motion carried 6-0.

President Watt asked for a motion to add Ordinance No. 2020-8 to the agenda. Mr. Triplett made the motion seconded by Mr. Richart. Roll call resulted as follows: Mr. Baldinger, abstain, Ms. Erlsten, yea, Dr. Fellner, yea, Mr. Ivy, yea, Mr. Richart, yea, Mr. Triplett, yea. Motion carried 5-0 with 1 abstention.

President Watt asked for a motion to add Ordinance No. 2020-16 to the agenda. Mr. Ivy made the motion seconded by Mr. Triplett. Roll call resulted as follows: Mr. Baldinger, yea, Ms. Erlsten, yea, Dr. Fellner, yea, Mr. Ivy, yea, Mr. Richart, yea, Mr. Triplett, yea. Motion carried 6-0.

President Watt asked for a motion to add Ordinance No. 2020-18 to the agenda. Mr. Triplett made the motion seconded by Mr. Ivy. Roll call resulted as follows: Mr. Baldinger, yea, Ms. Erlsten, yea, Dr. Fellner, yea, Mr. Ivy, yea, Mr. Richart, yea, Mr. Triplett, yea. Motion carried 6-0.

President Watt asked for a motion to add Ordinance No. 2020-19 to the agenda. Mr. Richart made the motion seconded by Mr. Triplett. Roll call resulted as follows: Mr. Baldinger, yea, Ms. Erlsten, yea, Dr. Fellner, yea, Mr. Ivy, yea, Mr. Richart, yea, Mr. Triplett, yea. Motion carried 6-0.

President Watt asked for a motion to add Resolution No. 2020-7 to the agenda. Mr. Richart made the motion seconded by Mr. Ivy. Roll call resulted as follows: Mr. Baldinger, yea, Ms. Erlsten, yea, Dr. Fellner, yea, Mr. Ivy, yea, Mr. Richart, yea, Mr. Triplett, yea. Motion carried 6-0.

Mr. Triplett made the motion to approve the agenda as amended which was seconded by Mr. Baldinger. Motion carried 6-0.

Council Rules

Mr. Triplett made the motion to approve the amendment to the council rules. Mr. Richart seconded the motion. The roll call on the motion resulted as follows: Mr. Baldinger, yea, Ms. Erlsten, yea, Dr. Fellner, yea, Mr. Ivy, yea, Mr. Richart, yea, Mr. Triplett, yea. Motion carried 6-0.

Legislation

Ordinance No. 2020-8 (First Reading)

An Ordinance clarifying employee pay ranges for certain non-bargaining unit employees, repealing ordinance Nos. 2008-54, 2008-25, 2011-17, 2013-46, and 2014-28 to the extent it conflicts with provisions of the ordinance, and declaring an emergency.

The ordinance was held to a first reading.

Ordinance No. 2020-12 (First Reading)

An Ordinance authorizing an advance repayment from the Cheshire Debt Service Fund (303) to the General Fund (101), and declaring an emergency.

Dr. Fellner made the motion to suspend the rules and proceed to the final reading on Ordinance No. 2020-12. Mr. Ivy seconded the motion. The roll call on the ordinance resulted as follows: Dr. Fellner, yea, Mr. Ivy, yea, Mr. Richart, yea, Mr. Triplett, yea, Mr. Baldinger, yea, Ms. Erlsten, yea. Motion carried 6-0.

Mr. Triplett made the motion to pass Ordinance No. 2020-12. Mr. Richart seconded the motion. The roll call on the motion resulted as follows: , Mr. Triplett, yea, Mr. Richart, yea, Mr. Baldinger, yea, Ms. Erlsten, yea, Dr. Fellner, yea, Mr. Ivy, yea. Motion carried 6-0 and Ordinance No. 2020-12 passed for a final reading.

Ordinance No. 2020-13 (First Reading)

An Ordinance amending Ordinance No. 2019-85 (Permanent 2020 Appropriations) by transferring funds within the Health Department Funds and declaring an emergency.

Dr. Fellner made the motion to suspend the rules and proceed to the final reading on Ordinance No. 2020-13. Mr. Ivy seconded the motion. The roll call on the ordinance resulted as follows: Dr. Fellner, yea, Mr. Ivy, yea, Mr. Richart, yea, Mr. Triplett, yea, Mr. Baldinger, yea, Ms. Erlsten, yea. Motion carried 6-0.

Mr. Triplett made the motion to pass Ordinance No. 2020-13. Mr. Richart seconded the motion. The roll call on the motion resulted as follows: Mr. Triplett, yea, Mr. Richart, yea, Mr. Baldinger, yea, Ms. Erlsten, yea, Dr. Fellner, yea, Mr. Ivy, yea. Motion carried 6-0 and Ordinance No. 2020-13 passed for a final reading.

Ordinance No. 2020-14 (First Reading)

An Ordinance amending Ordinance No. 2019-85 (Permanent 2020 Appropriations) by appropriating funds from unappropriated funds to the Port Authority Fund, and declaring an emergency.

After discussion Mr. Triplett made the motion to amend the amount from \$150,000 to \$75,000. Mr. Richart seconded the motion. The roll call on the amendment resulted as follows: Mr. Triplett, yea, Mr. Richart, yea, Mr. Baldinger, yea, Ms. Erlsten, yea, Dr. Fellner, yea, Mr. Ivy, yea. Motion carried 6-0.

Mr. Triplett made the motion to suspend the rules and proceed to the final reading on amended Ordinance No. 2020-14. Mr. Baldinger seconded the motion. The roll call on the ordinance resulted as follows: Mr. Triplett, yea, Mr. Baldinger, yea, Ms. Erlsten, yea, Dr. Fellner, yea, Mr. Ivy, yea, Mr. Richart, yea. Motion carried 6-0.

Mr. Triplett made the motion to pass amended Ordinance No. 2020-14. Dr. Fellner seconded the motion. The roll call on the motion resulted as follows: Mr. Triplett, yea, Dr. Fellner, yea, Mr. Ivy, yea, Mr. Richart, yea, Mr. Baldinger, yea, Ms. Erlsten, yea. Motion carried 6-0 and Ordinance No. 2020-14 passed for a final reading.

Ordinance No. 2020-15 (First Reading)

An Ordinance adopting a credit card policy for the City of Galion.

After much discussion Dr. Fellner made the motion to amend article 1 section 2 to read “The maximum limit for the use of a Credit Card or Charge Account will be Five Thousand Dollars (\$5,000). Mr. Ivy seconded the motion. The roll call on the amendment resulted as follows: Dr. Fellner, yea, Mr. Ivy, yea, Mr. Richart, yea, Mr. Triplett, yea, Mr. Baldinger, yea, Ms. Erlsten, yea,. Motion carried 6-0.

Dr. Fellner made the motion to suspend the rules and proceed to the final reading on amended Ordinance No. 2020-15. Ms. Erlsten seconded the motion. The roll call on the ordinance resulted as follows: Dr. Fellner, yea, Ms. Erlsten, yea, Mr. Ivy, yea, Mr. Richart, yea, Mr. Triplett, yea, Mr. Baldinger, yea. Motion carried 6-0.

Mr. Triplett made the motion to pass Ordinance No. 2020-15. Mr. Ivy seconded the motion. The roll call on the motion resulted as follows: Mr. Triplett, yea, Mr. Ivy, yea, Mr. Richart, yea, Mr. Baldinger, yea, Dr. Fellner, yea, Ms. Erlsten, yea. Motion carried 6-0 and Ordinance No. 2020-15 passed for a final reading.

Ordinance No. 2020-16 (First Reading)

An Ordinance requesting the Trustees of the Egbert M. Freese Foundation to distribute income therefrom to the City of Galion for the purposes outlined herein, and declaring an emergency.

Mr. Richart made the motion to suspend the rules and proceed to the final reading on Ordinance No. 2020-16. Mr. Ivy seconded the motion. The roll call on the ordinance resulted as follows: Mr. Richart, yea, Mr. Ivy, yea, Mr. Triplett, yea, Mr. Baldinger, yea, Ms. Erlsten, yea, Dr. Fellner, yea. Motion carried 6-0.

Mr. Triplett made the motion to pass Ordinance No. 2020-16. Ms. Erlsten seconded the motion. The roll call on the motion resulted as follows: Mr. Triplett, yea, Ms. Erlsten, yea, Dr. Fellner, yea, Mr. Ivy, yea, Mr. Richart, yea, Mr. Baldinger, yea. Motion carried 6-0 and Ordinance No. 2020-16 passed for a final reading.

Ordinance No. 2020-17 (First Reading)

An Ordinance authorizing the Safety Service Director to enter into a Land Transfer Agreement to transfer property to the Galion Port Authority and declaring an emergency.

Mr. Triplett made the motion to suspend the rules and proceed to the final reading on Ordinance No. 2020-17. Mr. Ivy seconded the motion. The roll call on the ordinance resulted as follows: Mr. Triplett, yea, Mr. Ivy, yea, Mr. Richart, yea, Mr. Baldinger, yea, Ms. Erlsten, yea, Dr. Fellner, yea. Motion carried 6-0.

Mr. Ivy made the motion to pass Ordinance No. 2020-17. Mr. Triplett seconded the motion. The roll call on the motion resulted as follows: Mr. Ivy, yea, Mr. Triplett, yea, Mr. Baldinger, yea, Ms. Erlsten, yea, Dr. Fellner, yea, Mr. Richart, yea. Motion carried 6-0 and Ordinance No. 2020-17 passed for a final reading.

Ordinance No. 2020-18 (First Reading)

An Ordinance amending Ordinance No. 2019-85 (Permanent 2020 Appropriations) by appropriating funds from unappropriated funds in various city funds and declaring an emergency.

Mr. Triplett made the motion to suspend the rules and proceed to the final reading on Ordinance No. 2020-18. Mr. Ivy seconded the motion. The roll call on the ordinance resulted as follows: Mr. Triplett, yea, Mr. Ivy, yea, Mr. Richart, yea, Mr. Baldinger, yea, Ms. Erlsten, yea, Dr. Fellner, yea. Motion carried 6-0.

Mr. Triplett made the motion to pass Ordinance No. 2020-18. Mr. Richart seconded the motion. The roll call on the motion resulted as follows: Mr. Triplett, yea, Mr. Richart, yea, Mr. Baldinger, yea, Ms. Erlsten, yea, Dr. Fellner, yea, Mr. Ivy, yea. Motion carried 6-0 and Ordinance No. 2020-18 passed for a final reading.

Ordinance No. 2020-19 (First Reading)

An Ordinance authorizing the Safety-Service Director to submit an application for Loan Funds under the Ohio Department of Transportation State Infrastructure Bank (SIB) Program, and declaring an emergency.

After discussion Mr. Richart made the motion to amend Section 4 to remove “at the Airport” and replace it with “for the Citizens of Galion.” Mr. Ivy seconded the motion. The roll call on the amendment resulted as follows: Mr. Richart, yea, Mr. Ivy, yea, Mr. Baldinger, yea, Ms. Erlsten, yea, Dr. Fellner, yea, Mr. Triplett, yea. Motion carried 6-0.

Mr. Triplett made the motion to suspend the rules and proceed to the final reading on amended Ordinance No. 2020-19. Mr. Richart seconded the motion. The roll call on the ordinance resulted as follows: Mr. Triplett, yea, Mr. Richart, yea, Mr. Baldinger, yea, Ms. Erlsten, yea, Dr. Fellner, yea, Mr. Ivy, yea. Motion carried 6-0.

Mr. Triplett made the motion to pass amended Ordinance No. 2020-19. Mr. Ivy seconded the motion. The roll call on the motion resulted as follows: Mr. Triplett, yea, Mr. Ivy, yea, Mr. Richart, yea, Mr. Baldinger, yea, Ms. Erlsten, yea, Dr. Fellner, yea. Motion carried 6-0 and Ordinance No. 2020-19 passed for a final reading.

Resolution No. 2020-7 (First Reading)

A Resolution approving the appointment of Shellie Burgin to the Galion City Health Board, as appointed by the city mayor, and declaring an emergency.

Dr. Fellner made the motion to suspend the rules and proceed to the final reading on Resolution No. 2020-7. Mr. Triplett seconded the motion. The roll call on the motion resulted as follow: Dr. Fellner, yea, Mr. Triplett yea, Mr. Baldinger, yea, Ms. Erlsten, yea, Mr. Ivy, yea, Mr. Richart, yea. Motion carried 6-0.

Mr. Ivy made the motion to pass Resolution No. 2020-7. Mr. Richart seconded the motion. The roll call on the motion resulted as follows: Mr. Ivy, yea, Mr. Richart yea, Ms. Erlsten, yea, Dr. Fellner, yea, Mr. Triplett, yea, Mr. Baldinger, yea. Motion carried 6-0 and Resolution No. 2020-7 passed for a final reading.

Other Business

Upcoming committees: NO COMMITTEE MEETINGS ANNOUNCED DUE TO THE CURRENT SITUATION

Laws, Ordinances, Zoning, and Permits –

Utilities –

Parks and Recreation –

Finance –

Police, Fire and Health –

Economic Development and Airport –

Streets, Alleys, Trees, & Bridges –

Auditor's Report

Income Tax – the legislature is looking to follow the Federal tax date. As the Auditor he has the ability to waive any fees and penalties.

Treasurer's Report

Reconciliation is complete. \$19.7M \$6M in the general fund.

Director of Law

Concerned about sunshine law issues. Requested that we not schedule any more meetings until we know how to proceed. Legislature is meeting on it yet this week to address.

Mayor's Report

The mayor expressed his concern about people not being able to speak at the meetings.

Thanked everyone for a productive meeting.

He said the city is asking for rescheduling of various debt.

Concerned about indirect costs to the general fund. Would like to see the funds back in the utility funds.

Has concerns that funds 103 and 104 will need money from the general fund later this year.

President of Council

Thanked everyone for their time and getting all this done.

There being no further business to discuss President Wat asked for a motion to adjourn. Mr. Triplett made the motion and Ms. Erlsten seconded. The motion carried and the meeting adjourned at 9:03 p.m.

Carl W. Watt, Council President

Julie L. Bell, Clerk of Council