

**GALION CITY COUNCIL
MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING (via Zoom)
August 11, 2020 at 7:00 p.m.**

The August 11, 2020 meeting of Galion City Council held via Zoom was called to order by President Watt. The Pledge of Allegiance was followed by an invocation by Pastor Joe Stafford from Wesley Chapel.

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

Ms. Erlsten made the motion to excuse Dr. Fellner. Mr. Triplett 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, Auditor Treisch, Director of Law Palmer, Treasurer Sparks and Safety Service Director Ward.

President Watt asked for a motion to approve the minutes from the July 28, 2020 regular meeting. Mr. Baldinger made the motion to approve as presented. Mr. Triplett seconded the motion. Motion carried 6-0.

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

Legislation

Ordinance No. 2020-54 (First Reading)

An Ordinance amending Section 1193.06 (c) of the codified ordinances of the City of Galion relating to street alignments.

This Ordinance was held to a first reading.

Other Business

Mr. Triplett made the announcement that the PCA was reviewed in his committee and there would be no change made.

Ken Bodkins met with Gary Frankhouse about the Rec Center. There was discussion about having a Committee of the Whole regarding the Rec Center and the Freese funding. The Mayor stated that he would rather keep it in the Economic Development and Airport committee. Cost needs nailed down and not sure of the urgency attached to it. Wishes that the individual Port Authority members would refrain from meeting with individual council members. He hopes that the Galion Port Authority members come to the ED & A meeting with the facts. Mr. Ivy wants to know a timeline. It was determined that this is not a topic that can be discussed in executive session.

Upcoming committees:

Laws, Ordinances, Zoning, and Permits –

Utilities –

Parks and Recreation – August 12, 2020 at 7:00 p.m. via Zoom.

Finance – August 19, 2020 at 7:00 p.m. via Zoom.

Police, Fire and Health – August 20, 2020 at 7:00 p.m. via Zoom.

Economic Development and Airport – August 18, 2020 at 7:00 p.m. via Zoom.

Streets, Alleys, Trees, & Bridges – August 13, 2020 at 7:00 p.m. via Zoom.

Auditor’s Report

Nothing

Treasurer’s Report

Not able to be unmuted on Zoom

Director of Law

Nothing

Mayor's Report

Has fielded questions relating to the paving. Overview – Urban Paving Contract. Changes to the handicap ramps. Identified a dozen or more that need done. We signed a contract and in order to get the grant we have to make these improvements. Standards have changed since they were initially installed. Will have a large change order for the extra cost of about \$80k. We will have to see how much that squeezes the paving for this year. Don't want to be labeled as a difficult customer due to the Portland Way project coming up next year. Unfortunately the changes won't be very noticeable. The initial specs were done by a visual inspection. The contractor was asked to do site verifications and determined that they were not the proper specifications.

President of Council

Nothing

There being no further business to discuss President Wat asked for a motion to adjourn. Mr. Triplett made the motion and Mr. Bodkins seconded. The motion carried and the meeting adjourned at 7:34 p.m.

Carl W. Watt, Council President

Julie L. Bell, Clerk of Council