

**GALION CITY COUNCIL
MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING
August 28, 2018**

The August 28, 2018 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. Clark, Mr. Comerford, Ms. Erlsten, Dr. Fellner, Mr. Richart, and Mr. Triplett.

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, and Safety-Service Director Ward.

Department Heads in attendance: Eric Baldinger and Matt Echelberry

President Watt asked for a motion to approve the minutes from August 14, 2018 regular meeting. Mr. Baldinger made the motion to approve which was seconded by Ms. Clark. Motion carried.

President Watt asked for a motion to approve the minutes from August 15, 2018 special meeting. Mr. Richart made the motion to approve which was seconded by Ms. Erlsten. Motion carried.

President Watt asked for a motion to approve the minutes from August 22, 2018 special meeting. Ms. Clark made the motion to approve which was seconded by Mr. Richart. Motion carried.

President Watt asked for a motion to add Ordinance No. 2018-55 to the agenda. Dr. Fellner made the motion which was seconded by Mr. Triplett. The roll call on the motion resulted as follows: Mr. Baldinger, yea, Ms. Clark, yea, Mr. Comerford, yea, Ms. Erlsten, yea, Dr. Fellner, yea, Mr. Richart, yea, Mr. Triplett, yea. Motion carried 7-0.

President Watt asked for a motion to add Resolution No. 2018-8 to the agenda. Ms. Clark made the motion which was seconded by Mr. Richart. The roll call on the motion resulted as follows: Mr. Baldinger, yea, Ms. Clark, yea, Mr. Comerford, yea, Ms. Erlsten, yea, Dr. Fellner, yea, Mr. Richart, yea, Mr. Triplett, yea. Motion carried 7-0.

Mr. Triplett made the motion to approve the agenda as amended which was seconded by Mr. Baldinger. Motion carried 7-0.

Citizen Comments:

None

Fair Housing Presentation:

Mr. Dale Hartle and Julie Kiser from Ohio Regional Development made a presentation on what is and what is not fair housing. Pamphlets were distributed and a sign-up sheet was circulated. The presentation started at 7:04 pm and concluded at 7:18 pm.

Legislation

Ordinance No. 2018-46 (Second Reading)

An Ordinance amending Ordinance No. 2017-66 (Permanent 2018 Appropriations) by appropriating from unappropriated funds in the Convention and Visitors Bureau Fund, and declaring an emergency.

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

Mr. Triplett made the motion to suspend the rules and proceed to the final reading on Ordinance No. 2018-46. Mr. Richart seconded the motion. The roll call on the motion resulted as follows: Mr. Triplett, yea, Mr. Richart, yea, Mr. Baldinger, yea, Ms. Clark, yea, Mr. Comerford, yea, Ms. Erlsten, yea, Dr. Fellner, yea. Motion carried 7-0.

The roll call on Ordinance No. 2018-46 resulted as follows: Mr. Richart, yea, Ms. Erlsten, yea Dr. Fellner, yea, Mr. Triplett, yea, Mr. Baldinger, yea, Ms. Clark, yea, Mr. Comerford, yea. Motion carried by a vote of 7-0 and Ordinance No. 2018-46 passed for a Final Reading.

Ordinance No. 2018-52 (First Reading)

An Ordinance amending Ordinance No. 2017-66 (Permanent 2018 Appropriations) by transferring funds and appropriating from unappropriated funds in various funds and declaring an emergency.

Mr. Baldinger made the motion to approve seconded by Ms. Clark.

Mr. Triplett made the motion to suspend the rules and proceed to the final reading on Ordinance No. 2018-52. Mr. Comerford seconded the motion. The roll call resulted as follows: Mr. Triplett, yea, Mr. Comerford, yea, Ms. Erlsten, yea, Dr. Fellner, yea, Mr. Richart, yea, Mr. Baldinger, yea, Ms. Clark, yea. Motion carried 7-0.

The roll call on Ordinance No. 2018-52 resulted as follows: Mr. Baldinger, yea, Ms. Clark, yea, Mr. Comerford, yea, Ms. Erlsten, yea, Dr. Fellner, yea, Mr. Richart, yea, Mr. Triplett, yea. Motion carried by a vote of 7-0 and Ordinance No. 2018-52 passed for a Final Reading.

Ordinance No. 2018-55 (First Reading)

An Ordinance authorizing the Safety-Service Director to advertise for bids and to enter into a contract with the lowest and best bidder therefor, as provided by the law, for a restroom building on the Galion Depot property, to proceed, authorizing a payment therefor, and declaring an emergency.

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

Mr. Triplett made the motion to suspend the rules and proceed to the final reading on Ordinance No. 2018-55. Mr. Richart seconded the motion. The roll call resulted as follows: Mr. Triplett, yea, Mr. Richart, yea, Mr. Baldinger, yea, Ms. Clark, yea, Mr. Comerford, yea, Ms. Erlsten, yea, Dr. Fellner, yea. Motion carried 7-0.

The roll call on Ordinance No. 2018-55 resulted as follows: Ms. Clark, yea, Ms. Erlsten, yea, Dr. Fellner, yea, Mr. Richart, yea, Mr. Triplett, yea, Mr. Baldinger, yea, Mr. Comerford, yea. Motion carried by a vote of 7-0 and Ordinance No. 2018-55 passed for a Final Reading.

Resolution No. 2018-8 (First Reading)

A Resolution approving the appointment of Clifford Murphy as a Prosecuting Attorney in the Crawford County Municipal Court, and declaring an emergency.

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

Mr. Triplett made the motion to suspend the rules and proceed to the final reading on Resolution No. 2018-8. Ms. Erlsten seconded the motion. The roll call resulted as follows: Mr. Triplett, yea, Ms. Erlsten, yea, Mr. Baldinger, yea, Ms. Clark, yea, Mr. Comerford, yea, Dr. Fellner, yea, Mr. Richart, yea. Motion carried 7-0.

The roll call on Resolution No. 2018-8 resulted as follows: Mr. Baldinger, yea, Ms. Erlsten, yea, Dr. Fellner, yea, Mr. Richart, yea, Mr. Triplett, yea, Ms. Clark, yea, Mr. Comerford, yea. Motion carried by a vote of 7-0 and Resolution No. 2018-8 passed for a Final Reading.

Other Business

Upcoming committees:

Parks and Recreation – September 12, 2018 at 7:00 p.m.

Finance – September 19, 2018 at 7:00 p.m.

Police, Fire and Health – August 29, 2018 at 7:00 p.m. - CANCELLED

Economic Development and Airport – September 18, 2018 at 7:00 p.m.

Streets, Alleys, Trees, & Bridges – September 13, 2018 at 7:00 p.m.

Utilities Committee – September 5, 2018 – 7:00 p.m.

Laws, Ordinances, Zoning, and Permits – September 4, 2018 at 7:00 p.m.

Auditor's Report

Mr. Treisch announced that the Audit Committee will meet at 6:30 p.m. on September 6, 2018. This committee will go over the recently completed 2017 audit. The budget is being done "in house" this year

Treasurer's Report

Not in attendance

Director of Law

Nothing new in regards to what appeared in the paper.

Mayor's Report

The Mayor stated that they have met with Sleep Inn. The TIF agreement was discussed as well as options. Such as extending the length of the agreement in order to lower their annual payments. One thing in the article was correct – their taxes are delinquent at this time. The meeting addressed paying taxes and payment of the service payments.

Mr. Baldinger's ability to get certifications changes the city's options concerning commercial permits. This would allow the movement of those services, with the exception of plumbing, back to the city from Richland County. Residential permitting will be backed with more certifications as well.

At the next meeting we will consider a CRA application from Covert Manufacturing for an \$8M project adding 35 jobs.

Ash Trees at Amann's. Will be doing in house instead of contracting. This will mean that fewer trees will be done over a longer period of time.

Glad to see that the Freese project for handicap seating at the Galion Football Stadium was well utilized.

Should be about two weeks until Harding Way West is opened. Striping may come later.

Tennis court on nearing completion. Herpich courts may run a little behind.

Eric Baldinger expressed appreciation for the opportunity and looks forward to bringing about a set standard.

President of Council

There being no further business to discuss President Watt asked for a motion to adjourn. Mr. Triplett made the motion and Ms. Erlsten seconded. The motion carried and the meeting adjourned at 7:58 p.m.

Carl W. Watt
Council President

Julie L. Bell
Clerk of Council