

A regular meeting of the City Commission of The City of Springfield, Ohio, held on Tuesday, August 14, 2018, in the Forum of City Hall, was called to order.

Roll call was answered by Mrs. Chilton, Dr. Estrop, Mr. O'Neill, Mr. Rue, and Mr. Copeland.

The invocation was offered by Mr. Copeland, who then led the assembly in the Pledge of Allegiance.

On motion of Dr. Estrop, seconded by Mr. O'Neill, members approved the minutes of the July 17, 2018, regular meeting as presented.

Yeas, Mrs. Chilton, Dr. Estrop, Mr. O'Neill, Mr. Rue, and Mr. Copeland.

Yeas 5, Nays 0.

### **FIRST READINGS—ORDINANCES**

The following legislation was presented for the first time and requires presentation at a second regular meeting before vote on passage:

**184-18** An Ordinance titled, "Vacating the first alley south of East Auburn Avenue from Erie Avenue west to the first intersecting north-south alley."

**163-18** An Ordinance titled, "Vacating the first alley east of South Lowry Avenue from Pleasant Street north to Mayflower Place."

**164-18** An Ordinance titled, "Vacating the first alley east of Sigler Street from West Jefferson Street north to the first east-west intersecting alley."

**191-18** An Ordinance titled, "Suspending the operations of the Port Authority of Springfield, Ohio."

**192-18** An Ordinance titled, "Authorizing the City Manager to enter into an Employment Incentive Agreement with International Steel Wool Corporation to incentivize establishment of a manufacturing facility located at 4300 Gateway Boulevard to create employment in the City; and authorizing the City Manager, Finance Director and Law Director to do all things necessary to implement the said Employment Incentive Agreement."

**193-18** An Ordinance titled, "Confirming and approving a Development Incentive Agreement (Non-Residential Development) with MRVS, LLC to provide for sewer services to real property outside the City limits."

~~~~~ Next regular City Commission meeting: August 28, 2018. ~~~~~

### **SECOND READINGS—ORDINANCES**

The following legislation was presented for a second time:

**144-18** An Ordinance No. 18-208 titled, "Amending the Zoning Map of Springfield, Ohio by rezoning 27.4 acres on McCreigh Avenue, Springfield, Ohio from RM-12, Low-Density, Multi-Family Residence District, to A, Agricultural District."

On motion of Mr. O'Neill, seconded by Mrs. Chilton, the ordinance was defeated.

Yeas, None. Nays, Mrs. Chilton, Dr. Estrop, Mr. O'Neill, Mr. Rue, and Mr. Copeland.

Yeas 0, Nays 5.

**145-18** An Ordinance No. 18-209 titled, "To amend Ordinance No. 91-90, passed March 12, 1991, and commonly known as the Codified Ordinances of The City of Springfield, Ohio, by amending Section 1120.02 of Chapter 1120 titled *Central Business District*; and repealing existing Section 1120.02."

On motion of Mrs. Chilton, seconded by Dr. Estrop, the ordinance passed.

Yeas, Mrs. Chilton, Dr. Estrop, Mr. O'Neill, Mr. Rue, and Mr. Copeland.

Yeas 5, Nays 0.

**27-18** An Ordinance No. 18-210 titled, "Confirming purchases and the obtaining of services for the City and providing for payments therefor."

On motion of Mrs. Chilton, seconded by Mr. Rue, the ordinance passed.

Yeas, Mrs. Chilton, Dr. Estrop, Mr. O'Neill, Mr. Rue, and Mr. Copeland.

Yeas 5, Nays 0.

**115-18** An Ordinance No. 18-211 titled, "To appropriate the interests in real property hereinafter described for the purpose of providing necessary rights in real estate needed for the public purpose of making and repairing roads which shall be open to the public, without charge, to wit, the pavement reconstruction and resurfacing, curb and walk replacement and drainage improvements on Belmont Avenue between Mitchell Boulevard and Home Road."

On motion of Mr. O'Neill, seconded by Dr. Estrop, the ordinance passed.

Yeas, Mrs. Chilton, Dr. Estrop, Mr. O'Neill, Mr. Rue, and Mr. Copeland.

Yeas 5, Nays 0.

**187-18** An Ordinance No. 18-212 titled, "Authorizing the Finance Director to purchase 4,300 tons of rock salt for the 2018-2019 winter season from Compass Minerals America for an amount not to exceed \$326,499.00, through the Ohio Department of Transportation Cooperative Purchasing Program in accordance with the provisions of Section 5513.01(B) of the Ohio Revised Code."

On motion of Dr. Estrop, seconded by Mr. O'Neill, the ordinance passed.

Yeas, Mrs. Chilton, Dr. Estrop, Mr. O'Neill, Mr. Rue, and Mr. Copeland. Yeas 5, Nays 0.

**134-18** An Ordinance No. 18-213 titled, "Authorizing the acceptance of donations in support of CultureFest 2018."

On motion of Dr. Estrop, seconded by Mr. Rue, the ordinance passed.

Yeas, Mrs. Chilton, Dr. Estrop, Mr. O'Neill, Mr. Rue, and Mr. Copeland. Yeas 5, Nays 0.

**188-18** An Ordinance No. 18-214 titled, "Authorizing the purchase and installation of an IBM Power 9 Hardware and Software Computer System, to include three years of maintenance and warranty, from Mapsys Systems and Solutions, Inc., for an amount not to exceed \$279,675.00, through the Ohio Department of Administrative Services, pursuant to Ohio's Cooperative Purchasing Act in accordance with the provisions of Section 125.04 of the Ohio Revised Code."

On motion of Dr. Estrop, seconded by Mr. Rue, the ordinance passed.

Yeas, Mrs. Chilton, Dr. Estrop, Mr. O'Neill, Mr. Rue, and Mr. Copeland. Yeas 5, Nays 0.

### **EMERGENCY ORDINANCES**

The following emergency legislation was presented for the first time:

**14-18** An Ordinance No. 18-215 titled, "Providing for Supplemental Appropriations within various funds; and declaring an emergency."

On motion of Mrs. Chilton, seconded by Dr. Estrop, the ordinance passed.

Yeas, Mrs. Chilton, Dr. Estrop, Mr. O'Neill, Mr. Rue, and Mr. Copeland. Yeas 5, Nays 0.

**139-16** An Ordinance No. 18-216 titled, "Authorizing the City Manager to enter into an amendment to the FY2016 Grant Agreement with the Federal Transit Administration, for aid in the financing of planning and capital assistance projects, to increase the grant in an amount not to exceed \$179,200.00; authorizing the City Manager, Law Director and the Director of Finance to perform all acts and execute all documents they consider necessary to fulfill the City's obligations under said grant amendment and to comply with all relevant local, state and federal legal; authorizing an additional local matching expenditure of \$44,800.00; and declaring an emergency."

On motion of Dr. Estrop, seconded by Mr. Rue, the ordinance passed.

Yeas, Mrs. Chilton, Dr. Estrop, Mr. O'Neill, Mr. Rue, and Mr. Copeland. Yeas 5, Nays 0.

**194-18** An Ordinance No. 18-217 titled, "Authorizing the acceptance of a Firefighter Exposure to Environmental Elements Grant in an amount up to \$10,344.38 from the Ohio Bureau of Workers' Compensation to be used for the purchase of 135 Innotex Gray Phoenix Safety Hoods for use by the Fire Rescue Division; authorizing an expenditure of up to \$2,068.87 to be used as local matching funds; authorizing the City Manager, Finance Director, Law Director and Fire Chief to perform all acts and execute all documents they consider necessary to fulfill the City's obligations under said grant and to comply with all relevant local, state and federal legal requirements; and declaring an emergency."

On motion of Dr. Estrop, seconded by Mr. O'Neill, the ordinance passed.

Yeas, Mrs. Chilton, Dr. Estrop, Mr. O'Neill, Mr. Rue, and Mr. Copeland. Yeas 5, Nays 0.

**195-18** An Ordinance No. 18-218 titled, "Authorizing the City Manager to enter into a contract with Champion Cleaning Specialists, Inc. for Sewer Cleaning Services for an amount not to exceed \$71,428.00; and declaring an emergency."

On motion of Mrs. Chilton, seconded by Dr. Estrop, the ordinance passed.

Yeas, Mrs. Chilton, Dr. Estrop, Mr. O'Neill, Mr. Rue, and Mr. Copeland. Yeas 5, Nays 0.

**196-18** An Ordinance No. 18-219 titled, "Authorizing the City Manager and the Chief of Police to submit a grant application for the 2018 Byrne Justice Assistance Grant (JAG) Program Award, to provide funding in the amount of \$40,177.00 to purchase various safety/technology equipment; authorizing the City Manager to enter into an Interlocal Agreement between the City and The Board of County Commissioners of Clark County, Ohio in connection with the 2018 Byrne Justice Assistance Grant; and declaring an emergency."

On motion of Mr. O'Neill, seconded by Dr. Estrop, the ordinance passed.

Yeas, Mrs. Chilton, Dr. Estrop, Mr. O'Neill, Mr. Rue, and Mr. Copeland. Yeas 5, Nays 0.

## **EMERGENCY RESOLUTION**

The following emergency legislation was presented for the first time:

**197-18** A Resolution No. 6021 titled, "Appointing Becky Krieger to the Historic Landmarks Commission; and declaring an emergency."

On motion of Mr. O'Neill, seconded by Dr. Estrop, the resolution was adopted.

Yeas, Mrs. Chilton, Dr. Estrop, Mr. O'Neill, Mr. Rue, and Mr. Copeland.

Yeas 5, Nays 0.

## **COMMUNICATIONS**

The following communications were ordered received and filed:

**107-18** Minutes of the July, 2018, Community Beautification Committee meeting.

**132-18** File-stamped copy of Ordinance No. 18-183 from the Clark County Auditor and Recorder.

**143-18** Notification from the Ohio Public Utilities Commission of a renewal certificate for the City of Springfield as a Competitive Retail Electric Service Provider to provide governmental aggregation services.

**190-18** Notification from Ohio Division of Liquor Control for a new liquor permit for Pritchett's LLC, dba Pritchett's, 436 Sheridan Avenue, Springfield.

**198-18** Minutes of the May 30, 2018, Tax Incentive Review Council meeting.

**199-18** Notification from the Ohio Environmental Protection Agency of the final National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System permit, Ohio EPA Permit No. 1PE00007\*PD, Facility Name: City of Springfield WWTP.

## **COMMENTS ON AGENDA ITEMS**

**144-18** Dr. Estrop asked for the staff's recommendation on the McCreight Avenue rezoning request. Planning, Zoning and Code Administrator Thompson stated both staff and City Planning Board recommended denial of the request as agricultural zoning is not appropriate for the location; the property is best suited for residential use.

Mr. Rue asked for the applicant's planned use of the property, and Mr. Thompson replied the applicant planned for a tree farm.

Mr. O'Neill asked if the property was a former landfill, and Mr. Thompson confirmed that it was.

Mrs. Chilton commented that she would vote against the rezoning because she believes it should remain residential.

**145-18** Dr. Estrop asked for additional information on the proposed change to Zoning Code Chapter 1120. Mr. Thompson explained the addition of single-family attached dwellings to the Central Business District would stimulate housing in the downtown area.

Mr. O'Neill asked about the fire codes for residences above existing structures. Mr. Thompson explained that all structures would be subject to the Ohio Basic Building Code's fire suppression guidelines as adopted by the City.

**115-18** Mr. Copeland stated that he was happy to share with citizens that the Belmont Avenue street reconstruction would occur soon.

**134-18** Mrs. Chilton and City Manager Bodenmiller both thanked the community and The Assurant Group for the recent donations to CultureFest 2018.

**188-18** Dr. Estrop asked for additional information on the IBM hardware and software purchase. Finance Director Beckdahl explained the new system would be used by the Municipal Court Clerk of Courts office. Their existing system would be subsequently be utilized for another city function.

**139-16** Mrs. Chilton asked if the FTA Grant would be for the SCAT buses and paratransit operations. Mr. Beckdahl stated the grant funds planning and other projects. Mr. Beckdahl added that several grants will be consolidated for ease of management.

**194-18** Mrs. Chilton asked Fire Chief Miller to describe the safety hoods proposed for purchase with grant funding. Chief Miller explained the hoods are personal protection equipment that protect firefighters from potential carcinogenics and particulates that may be present at fire scenes.

**196-18** Mr. Rue asked Police Chief Grant to explain the Byrne Justice Assistance Grant. Chief Graf stated that the city and county share the subject grant funds annually. Upgraded gas masks and communications equipment for the SWAT Team are under consideration for this year.

## **COMMENTS FROM COMMISSIONERS**

**025-18** Mr. Copeland spoke on Mr. Bodenmiller's announcement that he would retire from his City Manager position in early 2019, and thanked him for this service.

**025-18** Mrs. Chilton offered her sympathy to the family of the house fire victims this week. Mrs. Chilton asked Fire Chief Miller if free smoke detectors are available. Chief Miller stated that smoke detectors are provided by the American Red Cross and may be obtained by contacting the Springfield Fire Rescue Division with no requirements.

**025-18** Dr. Estrop reminded citizens that local schools would be in session the following day and asked that everyone be mindful of school buses and the students walking to school.

**COMMENTS FROM THE AUDIENCE**

**025-18** Mr. Raymond Upshaw, 325 West Liberty, spoke on the changes in crimes and the need for police officers to wear bulletproof vests. He also spoke on kids not caring for others as well as inequality in government for business owners.

**025-18** Mr. David Sanford, 528 Yellow Springs, clarified his statements from the previous meeting that the average wages for local residents is \$38,000 per year, but there are higher wages in the area such as a starting police officer's salary of \$48,000. Mr. Sanford also spoke on the three-minute time limit for citizen comments which he believes infringes on his rights to ask questions about the agenda items.



On motion of Mr. Rue, seconded by Mr. O'Neill, the meeting adjourned into executive session on Personnel Appointment.

Yeas, Mrs. Chilton, Dr. Estrop, Mr. O'Neill, Mr. Rue, and Mr. Copeland. Yeas 5, Nays 0.

On motion of Dr. Estrop, seconded by Mr. Rue, the executive session adjourned.

Yeas, Mrs. Chilton, Dr. Estrop, Mr. O'Neill, Mr. Rue, and Mr. Copeland. Yeas 5, Nays 0.

There being no further business, on motion of Dr. Estrop, seconded by Mr. O'Neill, the meeting adjourned.

Yeas, Mrs. Chilton, Dr. Estrop, Mr. O'Neill, Mr. Rue, and Mr. Copeland. Yeas 5, Nays 0.

PRESIDENT OF THE CITY COMMISSION

CLERK OF THE CITY COMMISSION