

**CITY COUNCIL MINUTES
FEBRUARY 11, 2019**

The meeting was called to order by Mayor Rausch at 7:00 p.m.

The pledge of allegiance was led by Mayor Rausch.

The invocation was given by Mayor Rausch.

MEMBERS PRESENT: Nevin Taylor, Deb Groat, Scott Brock, J.R. Rausch, Alan Seymour, Mark Reams, and Henk Berbee.

OTHERS PRESENT: *City Manager Terry Emery, Finance Director Justin Nahvi, Law Director Tim Aslaner, Police Chief Floyd Golden, Fire Chief Jay Riley, City Engineer Jeremy Hoyt, IT Director Aaron Story, Economic Development Director Eric Phillips, Clerk of Council Rebecca Dible, Journal Tribune Will Channell, John Kleinman, Todd Disbennett, and Jason Willis.*

APPROVAL OF MINUTES: Minutes from the January 28, 2019 meeting and the February 4, 2019 Work Session were approved as presented.

APPOINTMENTS:

Deb Groat moved to appoint Todd Disbennett to the Utility Claims Board of Appeals; affirmative voice vote was unanimous.

Alan Seymour moved to appoint John Kleinman to the Planning Commission; affirmative voice vote was unanimous.

ADMINISTRATIVE REPORT:

Mr. Emery reported the following:

City Manager

2019 State of the City Address

The 2019 State of the City Address will be held on Thursday, February 21 at The Scotts Miracle-Gro Company. Networking Reception begins at 6:00 p.m. State of the City Address begins promptly at 6:30 p.m. Schedule is as follows:

- Business Update - The Scotts Miracle-Gro Company
- State of the City Video
- Panel Discussion on Technology – Terry Emery, City Manager; Mike Andrako, Public Service Director; Aaron Story, Information Technology Director; Eric Phillips, Economic Development Director.

RSVP's are required due to limited seating, however, we will also be live streaming the event on the City's Facebook page and YouTube channel (City of Marysville, Ohio). Offering online viewing options will be convenient for the public and help create more community engagement.

City Offices Closed

City offices will be closed Monday, February 18, 2019, in observance of Presidents' Day.

Mr. Nahvi reported the following:

Finance Department

2018 Income Tax Filings

The due date for 2018 tax filings with the City is 4/15/19. The Finance Department will have extended office hours on the following dates to allow for taxpayers to visit City Hall and file their taxes or have representatives from the Income Tax section prepare their tax return:

- 4/4/19 (Thursday): 8 am to 7 pm
- 4/6/19 (Saturday): 9 am to 12 pm
- 4/10/19 (Wednesday): 8 am to 7 pm
- 4/13/19 (Saturday): 9 am to 12 pm

Mr. Hoyt reported the following:

Public Service Department

Snow & Ice Event

Street crews responded to a snow and ice event Sunday 2/10 using 83 operator hours and 94 tons of salt. This brings the season totals to 1,346 operator hours and 966 tons of salt.

Pothole Repairs

Street crews continue to patch potholes as they are reported or observed by crews.

Lewis Park

Work has begun to modify the southern parking lot at Lewis Park. The new configuration will increase the number of spaces from approximately 13 (estimate because lot is not striped) to 35. This project also relocates the southern portion of the track to make room for the parking lot work.

Schwartzkopf Park

Flooding last week generated quite a bit of debris in Schwartzkopf Park, especially along the baseball field fences. Parks & Grounds crews will be cleaning up this area throughout the week.

W. 3rd St. Water Main

Water crews continue work on the W 3rd St. water main installation.

Mr. Berbee asked if there had been substantial high-water damage to the baseball fields that winter, as damage the previous year had resulted in high cost repairs. Mr. Hoyt stated that as many fields were still under snow, he did not have an accurate assessment. Mr. Berbee replied that the water rose more slowly this year than last year, so he believed the damage would be more labor associated rather than financially draining.

REPORT OF CLERK OF COUNCIL: None

REPORT OF ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT DIRECTOR: Mr. Phillips referenced an article in the Sunday Columbus Dispatch which highlighted that Union County ranked number one in the country in the share of workers employed by foreign-owned companies. (Attachment A) He also highlighted the importance of the City's ties to Japan. Mr. Phillips then announced the upcoming Business Impact Breakfasts and stated their locations and speaker topics.

HEARING OF CITIZENS: None

RESOLUTIONS:

One Reading TO AMEND RULES OF COUNCIL
Only

ADMINISTRATION COMMENTS:

COUNCIL COMMENTS: Mayor Rausch explained the Rule associated with the Community Improvement Corporation (CIC) had been removed, as the CIC had bylaws which established who would serve, therefore the rule was unnecessary. Furthermore, Mr. Taylor confirmed with Mr. Aslaner that the rules appropriately covered a situation in which a vice-mayor chose not to assume the role as mayor, upon the mayor's resignation or incapacity to serve.

CITIZEN COMMENTS:

Mr. Taylor moved to pass the legislation, and the question put, stood:
Mr. Berbee YES; Mr. Taylor YES; Mrs. Groat YES; Mr. Brock YES;
Mr. Rausch YES; Mr. Seymour YES; Mr. Reams YES.

One Reading TO AUTHORIZE POLITICAL SUBDIVISION COOPERATIVE PURCHASING
Only

ADMINISTRATION COMMENTS: Mr. Nahvi explained this was an annual authorization that enabled participation in contracts distributed by the State for the purchase of supplies, services, equipment, and other materials.

COUNCIL COMMENTS:

CITIZEN COMMENTS:

Mr. Berbee moved to pass the legislation, and the question put, stood:
Mr. Taylor YES; Mrs. Groat YES; Mr. Brock YES; Mr. Rausch YES;
Mr. Seymour YES; Mr. Reams YES; Mr. Berbee YES.

ORDINANCES:

1st Reading TO AMEND CHAPTER 131 PARKS AND RECREATION COMMISSION SECTION
Title Only 131.01(B), TERMS OF OFFICE, OF THE CODIFIED ORDINANCES

ADMINISTRATION COMMENTS:

COUNCIL COMMENTS: Mr. Reams explained the only change would be the Council Representative term, which would better enable any Council member to serve a full term on the Parks and Recreation Commission, as currently the three year terms do not align with the Council terms.

Back for second reading, public hearing on Monday, February 25th, 2019.

2nd Reading TO AUTHORIZE THE CITY MANAGER TO ENTER INTO CONTRACTS WITH THE
Public Hearing DIRECTOR OF TRANSPORTATION NECESSARY TO COMPLETE THE RESURFACING OF A
PORTION OF STATE ROUTE 4 WITHIN THE CITY OF MARYSVILLE AND DECLARE AN
EMERGENCY

ADMINISTRATION COMMENTS:

COUNCIL COMMENTS: Mr. Reams asked if the paving would occur in the summer of 2019. Mr. Hoyt explained that the Ohio Department of Transportation anticipated that it would occur late summer or early fall 2019.

CITIZEN COMMENTS:

Back for third reading, title only on Monday, February 25th, 2019.

2nd Reading TO AUTHORIZE THE SUPPLEMENTAL APPROPRIATIONS FOR THE STREET TREE FUND
Public Hearing (FUND224) AND FOR ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT AND MODIFY THE
2019 ANNUAL BUDGET

ADMINISTRATION COMMENTS: Mr. Emery stated that he had forwarded the economic development department job position description to Council for their review.

COUNCIL COMMENTS:

CITIZEN COMMENTS:

Back for third reading, title only on Monday, February 25th, 2019.

2nd Reading TO AUTHORIZE SUPPLEMENTAL APPROPRIATIONS FOR THE 2019 PAVING
Public Hearing MAINTENANCE PROGRAM AND MODIFY THE 2019 ANNUAL BUDGET

ADMINISTRATION COMMENTS: Mr. Emery thanked Council for their support by expediting the legislation in order to obtain superior contractor bids.

COUNCIL COMMENTS:

CITIZEN COMMENTS:

Mr. Taylor moved to pass the legislation, and the question put, stood:

Mrs. Groat YES; Mr. Brock YES; Mr. Rausch YES; Mr. Seymour YES;
Mr. Reams YES; Mr. Berbee YES; Mr. Taylor YES.

3rd Reading
Title Only AUTHORIZING THE ISSUANCE OF NOTES IN THE AMOUNT OF NOT TO EXCEED \$1,800,000 IN ANTICIPATION OF THE ISSUANCE OF BONDS FOR THE PURPOSE OF ACQUIRING, DESIGNING, IMPROVING AND CONSTRUCTING VARIOUS PUBLIC SERVICE RELATED PROJECTS; AND RETIRING NOTES PREVIOUSLY ISSUED FOR SUCH PURPOSE; AUTHORIZING AND APPROVING RELATED MATTERS; AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY

ADMINISTRATION COMMENTS:

COUNCIL COMMENTS:

Mr. Seymour moved to pass the legislation, and the question put, stood:
Mr. Brock YES; Mr. Rausch YES; Mr. Seymour YES; Mr. Reams YES;
Mr. Berbee YES; Mr. Taylor YES; Mrs. Groat YES.

3rd Reading
Title Only TO ACCEPT LIMITED WARRANTY DEEDS TO SERVE AS RIGHT-OF-WAY ALONG BERMUDA WAY

ADMINISTRATION COMMENTS:

COUNCIL COMMENTS:

Mr. Brock moved to pass the legislation, and the question put, stood:
Mr. Rausch YES; Mr. Seymour YES; Mr. Reams YES; Mr. Berbee YES;
Mr. Taylor YES; Mrs. Groat YES; Mr. Brock YES.

COMMENTS OF THE CITY MANAGER, COUNCILMEN, AND GENERAL DISCUSSION:

Mr. Brock encouraged the Administration to continue pushing out information to residents via social media, as he had been told by many residents that it was appreciated. He encouraged social media blasting of the Tax Open Houses and continued sharing of the State of the City and thanked Administration for a job well done.

Mr. Seymour congratulated Mr. Kleinman on his appointment to the Planning Commission.

Mr. Berbee spoke with Mr. Phillips regarding the growth of the City, referencing information that had been received from Administration (Attachment B) which showed the status of residentially approved/zoned land in the City. He referenced growth projections and agreed on the importance of expansion in order for continued economic development in Marysville. Mr. Seymour expressed his interest in learning the housing demand percentage breakdown of homes-to-own versus homes-to-rent. He also stated he would like to know the definition of “affordable housing.” The possibility was also discussed of having an engineering intern look into the number of vacant lots available for housing in old town Marysville.

Mayor Rausch reminded everyone that the March 4th Work Session would be held at 6pm at City Hall and would be a Joint Work Session with both City Council and the Planning Commission. The Planning Commission would then have their regular meeting that same evening at 7:30pm. He also stated he had the opportunity to attend *Deputy Chief* Tony Brooks' graduation from the Certified Law Enforcement Executive Program that week. He commended Chief Golden and the Division of Police for the initiative they take to encourage their employees to take leadership training, as City residents see their leadership in action.

ADJOURN: There being no further business to come before Council, the meeting was adjourned at 7:32 p.m.