

**GALION CITY COUNCIL
MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING
January 8, 2019**

The January 8, 2019 meeting of Galion City Council was called to order by President Watt. The Pledge of Allegiance was followed by an invocation by Joshua Cole from the Tabernacle of Praise.

Clerk of Council Julie Bell called roll with the following members present: Mr. Baldinger, Mr. Comerford, Ms. Erlsten, Dr. Fellner, and Mr. Richart.

Mr. Comerford made the motion to excuse Ms. Clark. Mr. Richart seconded the motion. Motion carried 5-0.

Mr. Richart made the motion to excuse Mr. Triplett. Dr. Fellner seconded the motion. Motion carried 5-0.

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 SSD Ward.

Department Heads in attendance: None

President Watt asked for a motion to approve the minutes from December 11, 2018 regular meeting. Mr. Baldinger made the motion to approve with corrections for the yeas. Dr. Fellner seconded the motion. Motion carried 5-0.

President Watt asked for a motion to approve the minutes from December 18, 2018 special meeting. Mr. Richart made the motion to approve. Dr. Fellner seconded the motion. Motion carried 5-0.

President Watt asked for a motion to add Ordinance No. 2019-1 to the agenda. Dr. Fellner made the motion which was seconded by Mr. Richart. The roll call on the motion resulted as follows: Mr. Baldinger, yea, Mr. Comerford, yea, Ms. Erlsten, yea, Dr. Fellner, yea, Mr. Richart, yea. Motion carried 5-0.

President Watt asked for a motion to add Ordinance No. 2019-2 to the agenda. Mr. Baldinger made the motion which was seconded by Dr. Fellner. The roll call on the motion resulted as follows: Mr. Baldinger, yea, Mr. Comerford, yea, Ms. Erlsten, yea, Dr. Fellner, yea, Mr. Richart, yea. Motion carried 5-0.

President Watt asked for a motion to add Ordinance No. 2019-3 to the agenda. Dr. Fellner made the motion which was seconded by Ms. Erlsten. The roll call on the motion resulted as follows: Mr. Baldinger, yea, Mr. Comerford, yea, Ms. Erlsten, yea, Dr. Fellner, yea, Mr. Richart, yea. Motion carried 5-0.

Mr. Richart made the motion to approve the agenda as amended which was seconded by Mr. Baldinger. Motion carried 5-0.

Citizen Comments

Jean Wireman wanted to thank Andy Muntis for addressing her leaves in about 10 minutes after her call. She was very grateful for the prompt service.

Michael Swick, 780 East Brandt Road, Galion, Ohio. Came to council to express his concern over the need for a traffic light at Brandt and SR 598. The Mayor addressed his question and explained the process and traffic results before the intersection became part of the city and the process now that annexation has the intersection in the city. The Mayor stated that he optimistically hoped the traffic light would be installed by Labor Day. Mr. Swick expressed his appreciation for the update on the status of the study and installation.

Legislation

The following Ordinances received and were held to a first reading

Ordinance No. 2019-1

An Ordinance authorizing and directing the Safety-Service Director to advertise for bids and to enter into contracts with the lowest and best bidders therefore, according to law, for the purchase of certain

materials required and needed for the operation of the various departments of the City of Galion, Ohio, and declaring an emergency.

Ordinance No. 2019-2

An Ordinance amending Ordinance No. 2018-71 (Permanent 2019 Appropriations) by appropriating funds in the General Fund, and declaring an emergency.

Ordinance No. 2019-3

An Ordinance amending Ordinance No. 2018-71 (Permanent 2019 Appropriations) by making corrections in various funds, and declaring an emergency.

Other Business

Upcoming committees:

Laws, Ordinances, Zoning, and Permits – February 5, 2019 at 7:00 p.m.

Utilities – February 6, 2019 at 7:00 p.m.

Parks and Recreation – January 9, 2019 at 7:00 p.m. - CANCELLED

Finance – January 16, 2019 at 7:00 p.m.

Police, Fire and Health – January 23, 2019 at 7:00 p.m.

Economic Development and Airport – January 15, 2019 at 7:00 p.m.

Streets, Alleys, Trees, & Bridges – January 10, 2019 at 7:00 p.m.

Auditor’s Report

Nothing

Treasurer’s Report

Reconciliation not done yet.

Director of Law

Annual Report was submitted. Prosecuting Attorney’s office transition has went well. Working on space / shuffling. Mr. Bear has started as is working on indexing and other projects.

Mayor’s Report

Pass for tonight. We have a more detailed report at the next meeting.

President of Council

Nothing

There being no further business to discuss President Watt asked for a motion to adjourn. Mr. Comerford made the motion and Ms. Erlsten seconded. The motion carried and the meeting adjourned at 7:35 p.m.

Carl W. Watt
Council President

Julie L. Bell
Clerk of Council