

**GALION CITY COUNCIL  
MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING  
February 27, 2018**

The February 27, 2018 meeting of Galion City Council was called to order by President Carl 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, Treasurer Sparks, and Safety-Service Director Ward.

Department Heads in attendance: Bob Johnston, Chief Saterfield, and Matt Echelberry.

President Watt asked for a motion to approve the minutes from February 13, 2018 regular meeting. Mr. Baldinger made the motion to approve the minutes which was seconded by Ms. Clark. Motion carried.

President Watt asked for a motion to add Ordinance No. 2018-11 to the agenda. Mr. Richart made the motion which was seconded by Ms. Erlsten. The roll call vote 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.

Dr. Fellner made the motion to approve the agenda as amended which was seconded by Mr. Baldinger. Motion carried.

**Public Comments**

Judy Lawrence, 967 Highland Avenue, Galion, OH. Expressed concerns over the rezoning of the school property and the placement of the bus garage. She asked if it could be placed where the plans show the placement of tennis courts in the future.

**Legislation**

**Ordinance No. 2018-4 (Second Reading)**

An Ordinance rezoning Outlot 674 and parts of Outlots 667, 669, 670, 671, 672, and 673 from zoning classification R-1C (Single Family Residence) to classification ES (Educational Services); Rezoning Outlots 653 and Inlots 3524, 3597, 3598, 3599, 3600, 3601, 3602, 3603, 3604, 3605, 3606, 3607, 3608, 3609, 3610, 3611, 3612, 3613, 3614, 3615, 3616, and parts of Inlots 3523 and 3526 from zoning classification R-1B (Single Family Residence) to classification ES (Educational Services); and rezoning Outlots 578 and parts of 577 and 658 from zoning classification GC (General Commercial) to classification ES (Educational Services).

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

The roll call on Ordinance No. 2018-4 resulted as follows: Mr. Richart, yea, Ms. Erlsten, yea, Dr. Fellner, yea, Mr. Baldinger, yea, Ms. Clark, yea, Mr. Comerford, yea, Mr. Triplett, yea. Motion carried by a vote of 7-0 and Ordinance No. 2018-4 passed for a Second Reading.

**Ordinance No. 2018-5 (Second Reading)**

An Ordinance rezoning amending sections of Chapter 1131 and sections 729.09 and 1151.05 of the City of Galion Codified Ordinances.

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

The roll call on Ordinance No. 2018-5 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. 2018-5 passed for a Second Reading.

**Ordinance No. 2018-10 (First Reading)**

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

Mr. Comerford made the motion to approve seconded by Dr. Fellner.

Mr. Richart made the motion to suspend the rules and proceed to the final reading on Ordinance No. 2018-10. Mr. Comerford seconded the motion. The roll call on the motion resulted as follows: Mr. Richart, yea Dr. Fellner, yea, Mr. Triplett, yea, Mr. Baldinger, yea, Ms. Clark, yea, Mr. Comerford, yea, Ms. Erlsten, yea. Motion carried 7-0.

The roll call on Ordinance No. 2018-10 resulted as follows:, Mr. Comerford, yea, Dr. Fellner, yea, Mr. Richart, yea, Mr. Triplett, yea Mr. Baldinger, yea, Ms. Clark, yea, Ms. Erlsten, yea. Motion carried by a vote of 7-0 and Ordinance No. 2018-10 passed for a Final Reading.

**Ordinance No. 2018-11 (First Reading)**

An Ordinance authorizing and directing the Safety-Service Director to execute a Revolving Loan Fund Administration Agreement with the Ohio Department of Development, and declaring an emergency.

Ms. Clark made the motion to approve seconded by Dr. Fellner.

Mr. Triplett made the motion to suspend the rules and proceed to the final reading on Ordinance No. 2018-11. Dr. Fellner seconded the motion. The roll call on the motion resulted as follows: Mr. Triplett, yea, Dr. Fellner, yea, Mr. Richart, yea, Mr. Baldinger, yea, Ms. Clark, yea, Mr. Comerford, yea, Ms. Erlsten, yea,. Motion carried 7-0.

The roll call on Ordinance No. 2018-11 resulted as follows:, Ms. Clark, yea, , Dr. Fellner, yea, Mr. Richart, yea, Mr. Triplett, yea, Mr. Baldinger, yea, Mr. Comerford, yea, Ms. Erlsten, yea. Motion carried by a vote of 7-0 and Ordinance No. 2018-11 passed for a Final Reading.

**Other Business**

Upcoming committees:

Parks and Recreation – March 14, 2018 at 7:00 p.m.

Finance – March 21, 2018 at 7:00 p.m.

Police, Fire and Health – February 28, 2018 at 7:00 p.m.

Laws, Ordinances, Zoning & Permits – March 6, 2018 at 7:00 p.m.

Utilities – March 7, 2018 at 7:00 p.m.

Economic Development and Airport – March 1, 2018 at 7:00 p.m.

Streets, Alleys, Trees, and Bridges – March 8, 2018

Galion-Crestline Area Chamber Business Forecast Breakfast is Tuesday March 6, 7:30 a.m. at Gracepoint Church. Avita is providing the food for the event.

**Auditor's Report**

Investment Committee is March 1, 2018 at 6:00 p.m. Kiwanis Chili honoring Lonnie Eagle is March 13, 2018 at Wendys. Will be down one person tomorrow.

**Treasurer's Report**

Reviewing the Financial Statements. General Fund is up. Electric Fund is down- paid a debt payment. Spoke about a busing issue due to construction on Sherman Street.

Director of Law

Is amazed that there is no generalized indexing of legal documents such as mortgages, easements etc. Need to be looked at. Put a small amount of money in the 2018 budget to address. It impedes us. The index will be geographical.

Mayor's Report

The Mayor stated that development is happening but is a few weeks from being able to tangibly make an announcement. BP is making progress now. The city is beginning the process to pursue funding for a 3<sup>rd</sup> land on PWN from Carter Drive north. Five million plus project. Hope to use small cities funds.

President of Council

President Watt stated that the lots near Arby's will soon be going to auction. Urged everyone to attend the Chamber Business Forecast Breakfast.

There being no further business to discuss President Watt asked for a motion to adjourn. Mr. Triplett made the motion and Mr. Baldinger seconded. The motion carried and the meeting adjourned at 7:46 p.m.

**Carl W. Watt**  
**Council President**

**Julie L. Bell**  
**Clerk of Council**