

**GALION CITY COUNCIL
MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING
March 26, 2019**

The March 26, 2019 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, Mr. Richart, and Mr. Triplett.

Mr. Triplett made the motion to excuse Dr. Fellner which was seconded by Mr. Baldinger. Motion carried 6-0

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, Director of Law Palmer, and Safety Service Director Ward.

Department Heads in attendance: Chief Saterfield, Eric Baldinger, and Matt Echelberry

President Watt asked for a motion to approve the minutes from March 12, 2019 regular meeting. Mr. Triplett made the motion to approve. Ms. Clark seconded the motion. Motion carried 6-0.

President Watt asked for a motion to add Ordinance No. 2019-16 to the agenda. Mr. Richart made the motion which was seconded by Ms. Erlsten. The roll call on the motion resulted as follows: Mr. Baldinger, yea, Ms. Clark, yea, Mr. Comerford, yea, Ms. Erlsten, yea, Mr. Richart, yea, Mr. Triplett, yea. Motion carried 6-0.

President Watt asked for a motion to add Ordinance No. 2019-17 to the agenda. Mr. Richart made the motion which was seconded by Ms. Clark. The roll call on the motion resulted as follows: Mr. Baldinger, yea, Ms. Clark, yea, Mr. Comerford, yea, Ms. Erlsten, yea, Mr. Richart, yea, Mr. Triplett, yea. Motion carried 6-0.

President Watt asked for a motion to add Ordinance No. 2019-18 to the agenda. Ms. Erlsten 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, Mr. Richart, yea, Mr. Triplett, yea. Motion carried 6-0.

President Watt asked for a motion to add Ordinance No. 2019-20 to the agenda. Mr. Richart made the motion which was seconded by Ms. Clark. The roll call on the motion resulted as follows: Mr. Baldinger, yea, Ms. Clark, yea, Mr. Comerford, yea, Ms. Erlsten, yea, Mr. Richart, yea, Mr. Triplett, yea. Motion carried 6-0.

President Watt asked for a motion to add Ordinance No. 2019-21 to the agenda. Mr. Comerford made the motion which was seconded by Mr. Richart. The roll call on the motion resulted as follows: Mr. Baldinger, nay, Ms. Clark, yea, Mr. Comerford, yea, Ms. Erlsten, yea, Mr. Richart, yea, Mr. Triplett, nay. Motion carried 4-2.

President Watt asked for a motion to add Ordinance No. 2019-22 to the agenda. Mr. Comerford made the motion which was seconded by Ms. Erlsten. The roll call on the motion resulted as follows: Mr. Baldinger, nay, Ms. Clark, yea, Mr. Comerford, yea, Ms. Erlsten, yea, Mr. Richart, yea, Mr. Triplett, nay. Motion carried 4-2.

Mr. Richart made the motion to approve the agenda as presented which was seconded by Mr. Comerford. Motion carried 6-0.

Swearing in – Officer Basco

K9 Officer Basco was officially sworn in as an officer of the Galion Police Department. Officer Johnson is his handler. How the program came to be was explained as well as the training Basco and Officer Johnson have had. He was presented with the Badge that was donated back by the family of honorary officer Craig Taylor.

Legislation

Ordinance No. 2019-10 (Second Reading)

An Ordinance adopting the recommendation of the City of Galion Planning Commission and rezoning permanent parcel identification numbers (PIN) 48-00-08462-100, 48-00-08462-001, 48-00-08462-003, and 48-00-08462-004 from (RE) Rural Estate to (IP) Industrial Park.

This Ordinance was held to a second reading.

Ordinance No. 2019-11 (First Reading)

An Ordinance authorizing the Safety-Service Director to enter into an agreement with Richland Engineering Limited for engineering design services relating to the FAA FY18 Grant funding runway and taxiway lighting improvements at the airport, and declaring an emergency.

Mr. Richart made the motion based upon timing, to suspend the rules and proceed to the final reading on Ordinance No. 2019-11. Mr. Comerford seconded the motion. The roll call on the motion resulted as follows: Mr. Richart, yea, Mr. Comerford, yea, Ms. Erlsten, yea, Mr. Triplett, yea, Mr. Baldinger, yea, Ms. Clark, yea. Motion carried 6-0.

Mr. Richart made the motion to approved Ordinance No. 2019-11. Mr. Comerford seconded the motion. The roll call on the motion resulted as follows: Mr. Richart, yea, Mr. Comerford, yea, Ms. Erlsten, yea, Mr. Triplett, yea, Mr. Baldinger, yea, Ms. Clark, yea. Motion carried 6-0 and Ordinance No. 2019-11 passed for a final reading.

Ordinance No. 2019-12 (First Reading)

An Ordinance amending Ordinance No. 2018-71 (Permanent 2019 Appropriations) by appropriating from unappropriated funds and transferring funds in various funds, and declaring an emergency.

Based upon the recommendation by the Auditor, Mr. Baldinger made the motion to strike Section 2 and renumber the sections accordingly. Mr. Richart seconded the motion. The roll call on the amendment resulted as follows: Mr. Baldinger, yea, Mr. Richart, yea, Mr. Triplett, yea, Ms. Clark, yea, Mr. Comerford, yea, Ms. Erlsten, yea. Motion carried 6-0.

Mr. Richart made the motion to suspend the rules and proceed to the final reading on Ordinance No. 2019-12. Mr. Baldinger seconded the motion. The roll call on the motion resulted as follows: Mr. Richart, yea, Mr. Baldinger, yea, Ms. Clark, yea, Mr. Comerford, yea, Ms. Erlsten, yea, Mr. Triplett, yea. Motion carried 6-0.

Mr. Baldinger made the motion to approved Ordinance No. 2019-12. Ms. Clark seconded the motion. The roll call on the motion resulted as follows: Mr. Baldinger, yea, Ms. Clark, yea, Mr. Comerford, yea, Ms. Erlsten, yea, Mr. Richart, yea, Mr. Triplett, yea. Motion carried 6-0 and Ordinance No. 2019-12 passed for a final reading.

Ordinance No. 2019-13 (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 law, for pavement crack sealing and marking at the airport, to proceed, authorizing payment therefor, and declaring an emergency.

Mr. Richart made the motion based upon timing, to suspend the rules and proceed to the final reading on Ordinance No. 2019-13. Mr. Baldinger seconded the motion. The roll call on the motion resulted as follows: Mr. Richart, yea, Mr. Baldinger, yea, Ms. Clark, yea, Mr. Comerford, yea, Ms. Erlsten, yea, Mr. Triplett, yea. Motion carried 6-0.

Mr. Triplett made the motion to approved Ordinance No. 2019-13. Ms. Erlsten seconded the motion. The roll call on the motion resulted as follows: Mr. Triplett, yea, Ms. Erlsten, yea, Mr. Richart, yea, Mr. Baldinger, yea, Ms. Clark, yea, Mr. Comerford, yea. Motion carried 6-0 and Ordinance No. 2019-13 passed for a final reading.

Ordinance No. 2019-14 (First Reading)

An Ordinance authorizing the preliminary legislation for the LPA-ODOT Let Project Agreement, PID 108736, CRA SR0598 00.46 Galion, Agreement No. 32871.

Mr. Comerford made the motion to suspend the rules and proceed to the final reading on Ordinance No. 2019-14. Mr. Richart seconded the motion. The roll call on the motion resulted as follows: Mr. Comerford, yea, Mr. Richart, yea, Mr. Triplett, yea, Mr. Baldinger, yea, Ms. Clark, yea, Ms. Erlsten, yea. Motion carried 6-0.

Mr. Richart made the motion to approved Ordinance No. 2019-14. Mr. Comerford seconded the motion. The roll call on the motion resulted as follows: Mr. Richart, yea, Mr. Comerford, yea, Ms. Erlsten, yea, Mr. Triplett, yea, Mr. Baldinger, yea, Ms. Clark, yea. The motion carried 6-0 and Ordinance 2019-14 passed for a final reading.

Ordinance No. 2019-15 (First Reading)

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

Mr. Richart made the motion to suspend the rules and proceed to the final reading on Ordinance No. 2019-15. Mr. Baldinger seconded the motion. The roll call on the motion resulted as follows: Mr. Richart, yea, Mr. Baldinger, yea, Ms. Clark, yea, Mr. Comerford, yea, Ms. Erlsten, yea, Mr. Triplett, yea. Motion carried 6-0.

Mr. Richart made the motion to approved Ordinance No. 2019-15. Ms. Erlsten seconded the motion. The roll call on the motion resulted as follows: Mr. Richart, yea, Ms. Erlsten, yea, Mr. Triplett, yea, Mr. Baldinger, yea, Ms. Clark, yea, Mr. Comerford, yea. The motion carried 6-0 and Ordinance 2019-15 passed for a final reading.

Ordinance No. 2019-16 (First Reading)

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

Mr. Richart made the motion to suspend the rules and proceed to the final reading on Ordinance No. 2019-16. Mr. Comerford seconded the motion. The roll call on the motion resulted as follows: Mr. Richart, yea, Mr. Comerford, yea, Ms. Erlsten, yea, Mr. Triplett, yea, Mr. Baldinger, yea, Ms. Clark, yea. Motion carried 6-0.

Mr. Richart made the motion to approved Ordinance No. 2019-16. Mr. Comerford seconded the motion. The roll call on the motion resulted as follows: Mr. Richart, yea, Mr. Comerford, yea, Ms. Erlsten, yea, Mr. Triplett, yea, Mr. Baldinger, yea, Ms. Clark, yea. The motion carried 6-0 and Ordinance 2019-16 passed for a final reading.

Ordinance No. 2019-17 (First Reading)

An Ordinance authorizing and directing the Safety-Service Director to enter into an agreement between the City of Galion and the Galion Community Center YMCA to provide for the operation of Heise Park Pool during the 2019 Summer Swimming Season, and declaring an emergency.

Mr. Triplett made the motion to remove any reference to the Splash Park in the ordinance due to the fact there is a separate agreement for the Splash Park. 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. Motion carried 6-0.

Mr. Comerford made the motion to suspend the rules and proceed to the final reading on Ordinance No. 2019-17. Ms. Erlsten seconded the motion. The roll call on the motion resulted as follows: Mr. Comerford, yea, Ms. Erlsten, yea, Mr. Richart, yea, Mr. Triplett, yea, Mr. Baldinger, yea, Ms. Clark, yea. Motion carried 6-0.

Mr. Richart made the motion to approved Ordinance No. 2019-17. Ms. Erlsten seconded the motion. The roll call on the motion resulted as follows: Mr. Richart, yea, Ms. Erlsten, yea, Mr. Triplett, yea, Mr. Baldinger, yea, Ms. Clark, yea, Mr. Comerford, yea. The motion carried 6-0 and Ordinance 2019-17 passed for a final reading.

Ordinance No. 2019-18 (First Reading)

An Ordinance authorizing and directing the Safety-Service Director to enter into an agreement between the City of Galion and the Galion Community Center YMCA to provide for the operation of the Splash Park during the 2019 Summer Swimming Season, and declaring an emergency.

Mr. Richart made the motion to suspend the rules and proceed to the final reading on Ordinance No. 2019-18. Ms. Erlsten seconded the motion. The roll call on the motion resulted as follows: Mr. Richart, yea, Ms. Erlsten, yea, Mr. Triplett, yea, Mr. Baldinger, yea, Ms. Clark, yea, Mr. Comerford, yea. Motion carried 6-0.

Mr. Triplett made the motion to approved Ordinance No. 2019-18. 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. The motion carried 6-0 and Ordinance 2019-18 passed for a final reading.

Resolution No. 2019-4 (First Reading)

A Resolution providing for future maintenance by the City of Galion of various streets within the city limits as presented in the legal descriptions and maps as hereby attached. The Resolution was held to a first reading.

Ordinance No. 2019-19 (First Reading)

An Ordinance requesting the trustees of the Egbert M. Freese Foundation to distribute income therefrom to the City of Galion for the purposes outlined herein, and declaring an emergency.

Mr. Richart made the motion to suspend the rules and proceed to the final reading on Ordinance No. 2019-19. Ms. Clark seconded the motion. The roll call on the motion resulted as follows: Mr. Richart, yea, Ms. Clark, yea, Mr. Comerford, yea, Ms. Erlsten, yea, Mr. Triplett, yea, Mr. Baldinger, yea. Motion carried 6-0.

Mr. Richart made the motion to approved Ordinance No. 2019-19. Ms. Erlsten seconded the motion. The roll call on the motion resulted as follows: Mr. Richart, yea, Ms. Erlsten, yea, Mr. Triplett, yea, Mr. Baldinger, yea, Ms. Clark, yea, Mr. Comerford, yea. The motion carried 6-0 and Ordinance 2019-19 passed for a final reading.

Ordinance No. 2019-20 (First Reading)

An Ordinance authorizing and directing the Safety-Service Director to enter into a real estate purchase agreement for the property known as the South Street Commerce Center, and declaring an emergency.

Mr. Richart made the motion to suspend the rules and proceed to the final reading on Ordinance No. 2019-20. Ms. Clark seconded the motion. The roll call on the motion resulted as follows: Mr. Richart, yea, Ms. Clark, yea, Mr. Comerford, yea, Ms. Erlsten, yea, Mr. Triplett, yea, Mr. Baldinger, yea. Motion carried 6-0.

Mr. Richart made the motion to approved Ordinance No. 2019-20. Ms. Clark seconded the motion. The roll call on the motion resulted as follows: Mr. Richart, yea, Ms. Clark, yea, Mr. Comerford, yea, Ms. Erlsten, yea, Mr. Triplett, yea, Mr. Baldinger, yea. The motion carried 6-0 and Ordinance 2019-20 passed for a final reading.

Ordinance No. 2019-20 (First Reading)

An Ordinance authorizing and directing the Safety-Service Director to purchase under the State Purchasing Program, pursuant to R. C. 125.04 (B) without competitive bidding, playground equipment through Sourcewell for Heise Park, and declaring an emergency. This Ordinance was held to a first reading.

Ordinance No. 2019-21 (First Reading)

An Ordinance authorizing and directing the Safety-Service Director to advertise for bids and to enter into a contract with the lowest and best bidder therefor, as provided by law, for concrete work as Heise Park, to proceed, authorizing payment therefor, and declaring an emergency. This Ordinance was held to a first reading.

Other Business

Upcoming committees:

Laws, Ordinances, Zoning, and Permits – April 2, 2019 at 7:00 p.m.

Utilities – April 3, 2019 at 7:00 p.m.

Parks and Recreation – April 10, 2019 at 7:00 p.m.

Finance – April 17, 2019 at 7:00 p.m.

Police, Fire and Health – March 27, 2019 at 7:00 p.m.

Economic Development and Airport – April 16, 2019 at 7:00 p.m.

Streets, Alleys, Trees, & Bridges – April 11, 2019 at 7:00 p.m.

Liquor Permit – Transfer of Eighteen O’ Three Taproom license to Brewwerx the new owners of the 1803 Taproom.

Auditor’s Report

The Auditor explained what our current balances were compared to what the State Auditor required when we were under Fiscal Emergency. Based on our current finances we are in solid shape.

Treasurer’s Report

Had a family emergency.

Director of Law

Mr. Palmer explained what he would be sharing with the Police, Fire, and Health Committee. As part of the accreditation process the Health Department is reviewing all the services they provide to the City of Galion. This would be to determine what to keep, what needs deleted, and what would need to be in an agreement with the health department. There is also a court case that could also affect this as well. After concern expressed by Mr. Baldinger it was determined that after the initial introduction at the Police, Fire, and Health it would be best to be address this as a Committee of the Whole.

Mayor’s Report

Had close to 50 people take the meter reader test yesterday and over 35 signed up to take the WWTP Operator Trainee test on Wednesday.

Will need to appropriate funds received from Mosier in the capital improvement fund.

President of Council

Mr. Watt announced that there is a ribbon cutting at 107 Harding Way East at noon on Saturday.

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 8:50 p.m.

**Carl W. Watt
Council President**

**Julie L. Bell
Clerk of Council**