

**GALION CITY COUNCIL
MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING
April 11, 2017**

The April 11, 2017 meeting of Galion City Council was called to order by President Watt. The Pledge of Allegiance was followed by an invocation from Pastor Joe Stafford from Wesley Chapel.

Clerk of Council Julie Bell called roll with the following members present: Mr. Baldinger, Mrs. Bean, Ms. Clark, Mr. Comerford, Mr. Hedges 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 and Safety-Service Director Ward.

Department Heads in attendance: Bob Johnston and Matt Echelberry.

President Watt asked for a motion to approve the minutes from March 28, 2017. Mr. Baldinger made the motion to approve the minutes which was seconded by Mr. Comerford. Motion carried.

President Watt asked for a motion to add Resolution No. 2018-8 to the agenda. Mr. Hedges made the motion seconded by Mr. Triplett. Roll call resulted as follows: Mr. Baldinger, yea Mrs. Bean, yea, Ms. Clark, yea, Mr. Comerford, yea, Mr. Hedges, yea, Mr. Triplett, yea. Motion carried 6-0.

Mr. Triplett made the motion to approve the agenda as amended seconded by Mr. Comerford. Motion carried.

Ms. Clark made the motion to excuse Dr. Fellner seconded by Mr. Triplett. Motion carried.

Public Comments

George Sutton spoke about a storm water problem he is having at the corner of Harding Way West and Gill Avenue at one of his rental properties. He said it has been flooding for over three years and he needs help with the problem.

Marcia Yunker from the Galion Historical Society came to the meeting to request that council amend the Freese project ordinance to include the Grace Church handicap accessible project.

Legislation

Ordinance No. 2017-14 (Third Reading)

Entitled 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.

Mrs. Bean made the motion to approve seconded by Mr. Baldinger.

Mr. Baldinger made the motion to amend the Ordinance to include Item C, the Historical Society project. Mr. Comerford seconded the motion. The roll call on the motion resulted as follows: Mr. Baldinger, yea, Mr. Comerford, yea, Mr. Hedges, yea, Mr. Triplett, yea, Mrs. Bean, yea, Ms. Clark, yea. Motion carried by a vote of 6-0.

The roll call on Ordinance No. 2017-14 resulted as follows: Mrs. Bean, yea, Mr. Baldinger, yea, Ms. Clark, yea, Mr. Comerford, yea, Mr. Hedges, yea, Mr. Triplett, yea,. Motion carried by a vote of 6-0 and Ordinance No. 2017-14 passed for a final reading.

Ordinance No. 2017-15 (Third Reading)

Entitled an Ordinance revising current and establishing rental rates for various city owned properties and repealing inconsistent ordinances and resolutions.

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

Mr. Hedges made the motion to add the rental fee for the Depot Pavilion of \$75.00 which was seconded by Ms. Clark. The roll call on the motion resulted as follows: Mr. Hedges, yea, Ms. Clark, yea, Mr. Comerford, yea, Mr. Triplett, yea, Mr. Baldinger, yea. Mrs. Bean, yea. Motion carried by a vote of 6-0.

Mr. Comerford made the motion to make the rental fee be per day which was seconded by Mr. Triplett. The roll call vote on the motion resulted as follows: Mr. Comerford, yea, Mr. Triplett, yea, Mr. Baldinger, yea, Mrs. Bean, yea. Ms. Clark, yea, Mr. Hedges, yea. Motion carried by a vote of 6-0.

The roll call on Ordinance No. 2017-15 resulted as follows: Ms. Clark, yea, Mr. Baldinger, yea, Mrs. Bean, yea, Mr. Comerford, yea, Mr. Hedges, yea, Mr. Triplett, yea. Motion carried by a vote of 6-0 and Ordinance No. 2017-15 passed for a Final reading.

Resolution No. 2017-8 (First Reading)

Entitled a Resolution appointing Heath Watkins to the Board of Trustees of the Egbert M. Freese Foundation, and declaring an emergency.

Mr. Hedges made the motion to approve seconded by Mr. Comerford.

Mr. Triplett made the motion to suspend the rules and proceed to the final reading on Resolution No. 2017-8. Mr. Comerford seconded the motion. The roll call on the motion resulted as follows: Mr. Triplett, yea, Mr. Comerford, yea, Mr. Hedges, yea, Mr. Baldinger, yea, Mrs. Bean, yea, Ms. Clark, yea., Motion carried 6-0.

The roll call on Resolution No. 2017-8 resulted as follows: Mr. Hedges, yea, Mr. Comerford, yea. Mr. Triplett, yea, Mr. Baldinger, yea Mrs. Bean, yea, Ms. Clark, yea. Motion carried by a vote of 6-0 and Resolution No. 2017-8 passed for a final reading.

Other Business

Upcoming committees:

Laws, Ordinances, Zoning & Permits –May 2 2017 - 7:00 p.m.

Police, Fire and Health – April 26, 2017– 7:00 p.m.

Utilities –May 3, 2017 at 7:00 p.m.

Finance – April 19, 2017 at 7:00 p.m.

Economic Development and Airport – April 20, 2017 at 7:00 p.m.

Parks and Recreation – April 12, 2017 at 7:00 p.m.

Streets, Alleys, Trees and Bridges – April 18, 2017 at 7:00 p.m.

Ms. Clark stated that the boys for the Disc Golf club planted new trees and are building benches with the proceeds from their tournaments.

Auditor’s Report

March reconciliation is done and was done all in house and then checked by the state. Reports have been sent. Auditor will be in training tomorrow and Thursday.

Treasurer’s Report

No Report- Absent

Director of Law

Nothing

Mayor's Report

The PWN meeting that was held a week ago was poorly attended for whatever reason. Trying to get the out about the maintenance of traffic during construction. The mayor's office can brief anyone that is interested.

Working on a lease with Mosier. Lease for two years then an option to purchase. Investment will come toward the later part of the lease. Appreciate council's confidence in accepting the lease. Turned out to be a good investment. Lease begins tomorrow April 12.

President of Council

Carl had Thomas explain the taxes regarding the SSCC. With taxes being paid in arrears we will pay the 2016 taxes this year and the first three months of 2017 in 2018.

If anyone is interested in the Memorial Day Parade please get with Carl or Julie.

President Watt asked for a motion to adjourn. Mr. Triplett made the motion seconded by Mr. Baldinger Motion carried and the meeting adjourned at 7:40 p.m.

Carl W. Watt
Council President

Julie L. Bell
Clerk of Council