

**GALION CITY COUNCIL
MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING
May 8, 2018**

The May 8, 2018 meeting of Galion City Council was called to order by President Watt. The Pledge of Allegiance was followed by an invocation from Pastor Roy Hughes from Wellspring Church.

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.

President Watt asked for a motion to approve the minutes from April 24, 2018 regular meeting. Mr. Baldinger made the motion to approve which was seconded by Ms. Erlsten. Motion carried.

Dr. Fellner made the motion to approve the agenda as presented which was seconded by Ms. Clark. Motion carried.

Citizen Comments

Mr. Howard Morrow expressed his concerns over the Niss Property and the procedures concerning the platting of the property. He asked that council not approve the legislation concerning said property. Dr. Fellner asked Mr. Palmer to address some of Mr. Morrow's concerns. Mr. Palmer addressed council with the research he had done regarding the concerns and opinions of Mr. Morrow.

Legislation

Ordinance No. 2018-25 (Second Reading)

An Ordinance authorizing and directing the Safety-Service Director and/or Mayor to execute and submit an application for financial assistance to the Ohio Department of Natural Resources under the NatureWorks Program, and declaring an emergency.

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

Due to the grant deadlines, Mr. Richart made the motion to suspend the rules and proceed to the final reading on Ordinance No. 2018-25. Dr. Fellner 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 by a vote of 7-0.

The roll call on Ordinance No. 2018-25 resulted as follows:, Ms. Clark, yea, Mr. Richart, yea, Mr. Triplett, yea, Mr. Baldinger, yea, Mr. Comerford, yea, Ms. Erlsten, yea, Dr. Fellner, yea. Motion carried by a vote of 7-0 and Ordinance No. 2018-25 passed for a Final Reading.

Ordinance No. 2018-26 (First Reading)

An Ordinance enacting Galion Codified Ordinance Section 521.04, as amended, relating to the disposal of garbage or refuse in public containers, and repealing existing Section 1361.06.

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

The roll call on Ordinance No. 2018-26 resulted as follows:, Mr. Richart, yea, Ms. Erlsten, yea, Dr. Fellner, yea, Mr. Triplett, yea, Mr. Baldinger, yea, Ms. Clark, yea, Mr. Comerford, yea. Motion carried by a vote of 7-0 and Ordinance No. 2018-26 passed for a First Reading.

Ordinance No. 2018-27 (First Reading)

An Ordinance enacting Galion Codified Ordinance Section 521.04, as amended, relating to the disposal of garbage or refuse in public containers, and repealing existing Section 1361.06.

Ms. Erlsten made the motion to approve seconded by Ms. Clark.

Mr. Richart made the motion to include the language in Section C (2) as follows: remove an amount set by the City's Schedule of Fees ordinance and replace with: the amount of two hundred dollars (\$200.00) per small cell facility on such a structure, which rate shall be added to the City's Schedule of Fees ordinance. Beginning on the effective date of this section, this amount shall be increased by ten (10) percent every five (5) years, rounded to the nearest five dollars (\$5.00). This may be added incrementally or as a single adjustment at the Safety-Service Director's discretion. Dr. Fellner seconded the motion and the roll call 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. 2018-27 as amended resulted as follows:, Ms. Erlsten, yea, Dr. Fellner, yea, Mr. Richart, yea, Mr. Triplett, yea, Mr. Baldinger, yea, Ms. Clark, yea, Mr. Comerford, yea. Motion carried by a vote of 7-0 and Ordinance No. 2018-27 passed for a First Reading.

Ordinance No. 2018-28 (First Reading)

An Ordinance authorizing the City of Galion to participate in the ODOT Winter Contract (018-19) for Road Salt, and declaring an emergency.

Mr. Richart made the motion to approve seconded by Mr. Triplett.

Due to the ODOT deadline, Mr. Triplett made the motion to suspend the rules and proceed to the final reading on Ordinance No. 2018-28. 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 by a vote of 7-0.

The roll call on Ordinance No. 2018-28 resulted as follows:, Mr. Richart, yea, Mr. Triplett, yea, Mr. Baldinger, yea, Ms. Clark, yea, Mr. Comerford, yea, Ms. Erlsten, yea, Dr. Fellner, yea. Motion carried by a vote of 7-0 and Ordinance No. 2018-28 passed for a Final Reading

Ordinance No. 2018-29 (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(s) therefor, as provided by law, for the infrastructure located in the vicinity of SR 598 and Brandt Road, and declaring an emergency.

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

Due to the ODOT deadline, Mr. Richart made the motion to suspend the rules and proceed to the final reading on Ordinance No. 2018-29. 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, Dr. Fellner, yea, Mr. Triplett, yea. Motion carried by a vote of 7-0.

The roll call on Ordinance No. 2018-29 resulted as follows: Ms. Erlsten, yea, Mr. Triplett, yea, Mr. Baldinger, yea, Ms. Clark, yea, Mr. Comerford, yea, Dr. Fellner, yea, Mr. Richart, yea. Motion carried by a vote of 7-0 and Ordinance No. 2018-29 passed for a Final Reading

Ordinance No. 2018-30 (First Reading)

An Ordinance authorizing the Safety-Service Director to request that the Ohio Department of Transportation (ODOT) perform a speed zone study on State Route 598 from the school zone north to the city limits, and declaring an emergency.

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

In order to expedite the study, Dr. Fellner made the motion to suspend the rules and proceed to the final reading on Ordinance No. 2018-30. Mr. Baldinger seconded the motion. The roll call on the motion resulted as follows: Dr. Fellner, yea, Mr. Baldinger, yea, Ms. Clark, yea, Mr. Comerford, yea, Ms. Erlsten, yea, Mr. Richart, yea, Mr. Triplett, yea. Motion carried by a vote of 7-0.

The roll call on Ordinance No. 2018-30 resulted as follows: Ms. Clark, yea, Mr. Richart, yea, Mr. Triplett, yea, Mr. Baldinger, yea, Mr. Comerford, yea, Ms. Erlsten, yea, Dr. Fellner, yea. Motion carried by a vote of 7-0 and Ordinance No. 2018-30 passed for a Final Reading

Other Business

Upcoming committees:

Parks and Recreation – May 9, 2018 at 7:00 p.m.

Finance – May 16, 2018 at 7:00 p.m.

Police, Fire and Health – May 23, 2018 at 7:00 p.m.

Economic Development and Airport – May 10, 2018 at 7:00 p.m.

Clerk is checking on information for the Memorial Day Parade and will forward as soon as possible.

Clean Up Day – Council / Elected Officials and Staff discussed the clean-up day and how it would look this year. Last year the whole process took in excess of 4 weeks to complete at the cost of approximately \$800.00 a day. They hauled 122 loads equaling over 60 tons. This kept the service department from focusing on the tasks that needed done during this same time frame. The discussion focused around how to hold a clean-up day without taxing the service department. After much discussion it was a consensus that the city could not provide curb pick up this year but would have dumpsters available for residents to bring items for disposal. They would be taking tires as part of the mosquito grant. The landfill prices are currently unknown due to Rumpke now being the operator of the Crawford County Landfill. Mattresses / Box Springs could not be taken and appliance will not be accepted either. There are no churches volunteering this year as crews were overwhelmed last year. Private haulers were contacted to see if they would be interested in contracting to do curbside. None were interested in providing the service.

Auditor's Report

Fund Balance reports sent out. Income Tax is up. Electric Fund is up. Expected release from Fiscal Emergency is September 1, 2018. Commended Council and Staff on all the work done to achieve this.

Treasurer's Report

Statement of Cash we are at \$19.8M. \$100K up in General Fund.

Director of Law

Has an overview of the House Bill concerning the Small Cell Towers.

Mayor's Report

Appreciated the discussion on Clean-Up day. Had questions regarding the interest income being less than projected. Should come in July. Homestead is less than projected. Brian will check on this. The Mayor stressed that most revenue projects are very conservative.

President of Council

Reminded about the Memorial Day Parade. Thanks council for the discussion as well. Also commended Tammy for the good job she is doing as the Chair of the Streets, Alleys, Trees, and Bridges committee as it has been very busy lately.

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 8:16 p.m.

Carl W. Watt
Council President

Julie L. Bell
Clerk of Council