

**GALION CITY COUNCIL  
MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING  
September 25, 2018**

The September 25, 2018 meeting of Galion City Council was called to order by President Watt. The Pledge of Allegiance was followed by an invocation 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, and SSD Ward.

Department Heads in attendance: Chief Jackson, Chief Saterfield, and Matt Echelberry

President Watt asked for a motion to approve the minutes from September 11, 2018 regular meeting. Mr. Baldinger made the motion to approve which was seconded by Mr. Richart. Motion carried.

President Watt asked for a motion to approve the minutes from the September 18, 2018 special meeting. Mr. Triplett made the motion seconded by Ms. Erlsten. Mr. Baldinger made the correction to add Dr. Fellner to the vote in both places. Motion carried and the minutes were approved as amended.

President Watt asked for a motion to add Resolution No. 2018-9 to the agenda. Mr. Comerford 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, Dr. Fellner, yea, Mr. Richart, yea, Mr. Triplett, yea. Motion carried 7-0.

President Watt asked for a motion to add Ordinance No. 2018-63 to the agenda. Mr. Comerford 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, Dr. Fellner, yea, Mr. Richart, yea, Mr. Triplett, yea. Motion carried 7-0.

President Watt asked for a motion to add Resolution No. 2018-10 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, yea, Ms. Clark, yea, Mr. Comerford, yea, Ms. Erlsten, yea, Dr. Fellner, yea, Mr. Richart, yea, Mr. Triplett, yea. Motion carried 7-0.

Dr. Fellner made the motion to approve the agenda as amended which was seconded by Ms. Clark. Motion carried 7-0.

**Executive Session:**

Mr. Comerford made the motion to go into executive session for the purpose of discussing pending litigation. Mr. Triplett seconded the motion. The roll call 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. Motion carried at 7:06 p.m.

Mr. Triplett made the motion to exit executive session which was seconded by Ms. Erlsten. Motion carried. Returned to regular session at 7:25

**Legislation**

**Resolution No. 2018-9 (First Reading)**

A Resolution supporting the City of Galion joining as an amicus party in a pending action in the Ohio Supreme Court, and declaring an emergency.

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

Mr. Triplett made the motion to suspend the rules and proceed to the final reading on Resolution No. 2018-9. Mr. Baldinger seconded the motion. The roll call resulted as follows: Mr. Triplett, yea, Mr. Baldinger, yea, Ms. Clark, yea, Mr. Comerford, yea, Ms. Erlsten, yea, Dr. Fellner, yea, Mr. Richart, yea. Motion carried 7-0.

The roll call on Resolution No. 2018-9 resulted as follows:, Mr. Triplett, yea, Ms. Clark, yea, Mr. Comerford, yea, Ms. Erlsten, yea, Dr. Fellner, yea, Mr. Richart, yea, Mr. Baldinger, yea. Motion carried by a vote of 7-0 and Resolution No. 2018-9 passed for a Final Reading.

**Ordinance No. 2018-56 (Second Reading)**

An Ordinance adopting the recommendation of the City of Galion Planning Commission and re-zoning Outlot 917 form Zoning Classification RE (Rural Estate) to GC (General Commercial), zoning Outlot 916 as zoning classification R1B (Single Family Residence), zoning Outlot 915 as zoning classification R1C (Single Family Residence).

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

Dr. Fellner made the motion to suspend the rules and proceed to the final reading on Ordinance No. 2018-56. Mr. Triplett seconded the motion. The roll call on the motion resulted as follows: Dr. Fellner, yea, Mr. Triplett, yea, Mr. Baldinger, yea, Ms. Clark, yea, Mr. Comerford, yea, Ms. Erlsten, yea, Mr. Richart, yea. Motion carried 7-0.

The roll call on Ordinance No. 2018-56 resulted as follows: Mr. Baldinger, yea, Dr. Fellner, yea, Mr. Richart, yea, Mr. Triplett, yea, Ms. Clark, yea, Mr. Comerford, yea, Ms. Erlsten, yea. Motion carried by a vote of 7-0 and Ordinance No. 2018-56 passed for a Final Reading.

**Ordinance No. 2018-58 (Second Reading)**

An Ordinance amending Section 945.01 of the City of Galion Codified Ordinances.

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

Mr. Baldinger made the motion to amend Section (k)(6) to read as follows: "No private sailboat, rowboat, canoe, or any other boat with a gasoline-powered motor shall be on any reservoir". Dr. Fellner seconded the motion. The roll call resulted as follows: Mr. Baldinger, yea, Dr. Fellner, yea, Mr. Richart, yea, Mr. Triplett, yea, Ms. Clark, yea, Mr. Comerford, yea, Ms. Erlsten, yea,. Motion carried 7-0.

The roll call on Ordinance No. 2018-58 resulted as follows: Mr. Richart, yea, Ms. Clark, yea, Mr. Comerford, yea, Ms. Erlsten, yea, Dr. Fellner, yea, Mr. Triplett, yea, Mr. Baldinger, yea. Motion carried by a vote of 7-0 and Ordinance No. 2018-58 passed for a Final Reading.

**Ordinance No. 2018-60 (First Reading)**

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

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

Mr. Comerford made the motion to suspend the rules and proceed to the final reading on Ordinance No. 2018-60. Mr. Richart seconded the motion. The roll call resulted as follows: Mr. Comerford, yea, Mr. Richart, yea, Mr. Triplett, yea, Mr. Baldinger, yea, Ms. Clark, yea, Ms. Erlsten, yea, Dr. Fellner, yea. Motion carried 7-0.

The roll call on Ordinance No. 2018-60 resulted as follows: Mr. Comerford, yea, Mr. Richart, yea, Mr. Triplett, yea, Mr. Baldinger, yea, Ms. Clark, yea, Ms. Erlsten, yea, Dr. Fellner, yea,. Motion carried by a vote of 7-0 and Ordinance No. 2018-60 passed for a Final Reading.

**Ordinance No. 2018-61 (First Reading)**

An Ordinance authorizing the Safety-Service Director to enter into a City of Galion Job Creation Tax Credit Agreement with Covert Manufacturing, Inc., and declaring an emergency.

Dr. Fellner 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 Ordinance No. 2018-61. Mr. Comerford seconded the motion. The roll call resulted as follows: Mr. Triplett, yea, Mr. Comerford, yea, Ms. Erlsten, yea, Dr. Fellner, yea, Mr. Richart, yea, Mr. Baldinger, yea, Ms. Clark, yea. Motion carried 7-0.

The roll call on Ordinance No. 2018-61 resulted as follows: Dr. Fellner, yea, Mr. Comerford, 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. 2018-61 passed for a Final Reading.

**Ordinance No. 2018-62(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 therefore, as provided by law, for self-contained breathing apparatus (SCBA) equipment, to proceed, authorizing payment therefor, and declaring an emergency.

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

Mr. Richart made the motion to suspend the rules and proceed to the final reading on Ordinance No. 2018-62. Mr. Comerford seconded the motion. The roll call resulted as follows: Mr. Richart, yea, Mr. Comerford, yea, Ms. Erlsten, yea, Dr. Fellner, yea, Mr. Triplett, yea, Mr. Baldinger, yea, Ms. Clark, yea. Motion carried 7-0.

The roll call on Ordinance No. 2018-62 resulted as follows: Mr. Comerford, yea, Ms. Erlsten, yea, Dr. Fellner, yea, Mr. Richart, yea, Mr. Triplett, yea, Mr. Baldinger, yea, Ms. Clark, yea,. Motion carried by a vote of 7-0 and Ordinance No. 2018-62 passed for a Final Reading.

**Ordinance No. 2018-63 (First Reading)**

An Ordinance authorizing the Safety-Service Director and / or Mayor to apply for and accept grant funds under Round 33 of Ohio Public Works Commission (OPWC) funding to be used for the Southeast Storm Sewer Phase III project, and declaring an emergency.

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

Mr. Richart made the motion to suspend the rules and proceed to the final reading on Ordinance No. 2018-63. Ms. Clark seconded the motion. The roll call resulted as follows: Mr. Richart, yea, Ms. Clark, yea, Mr. Comerford, yea, Ms. Erlsten, yea, Dr. Fellner, yea, Mr. Triplett, yea, Mr. Baldinger, yea. Motion carried 7-0.

The roll call on Ordinance No. 2018-63 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. 2018-63 passed for a Final Reading.

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

A Resolution providing for the 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.

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

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

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

**Other Business**

Upcoming committees:

Laws, Ordinances, Zoning, and Permits – October 2, 2018 at 7:00 p.m.

Utilities – October 3, 2018 at 7:00 p.m.  
Parks and Recreation – October 10, 2018 at 7:00 p.m.  
Finance – October 17, 2018 at 7:00 p.m.  
Police, Fire and Health – September 26, 2018 at 7:00 p.m.  
Economic Development and Airport – October 16, 2018 at 7:00 p.m.  
Streets, Alleys, Trees, & Bridges – October 11, 2018 at 7:00 p.m.

Auditor's Report

Mr. Treisch reminded everyone of the joint council meeting the Financial Planning and Supervision Commission on October 4, 2018 at 9:00 a.m.  
Working on the budget.

Treasurer's Report

Not in attendance

Director of Law

Still working on his budget. No offer made yet. There is a plan B if necessary.

Mayor's Report

The mayor stated that he missed Robert Bean. Not a criticism of the Galion Inquirer but it is hard for them to adequately cover the cities business. How does the public know? Would like to equip council chambers to stream live and have available. Put in the council / mayor's budget. \$5-7K would be adequate. Have not approached the court yet.

There are two vacancies on the Board of Health. Potentially a third. Will be working on replacements for those.

There is a new owner at SR 30 and SR 61 (old Deems property) There is city water to that area.

President of Council

Mr. Watt asked council what they thought of it. Mr. Richart voiced that he was in favor as well as Ms. Clark. Dr. Fellner was taking it under consideration. Ms. Erlsten asked if Mr. Bean was compensated for that service and was informed that the city did not pay him anything.

Chief Saterfield informed council that the speed limit change has been made on SR 598.

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 8:24 p.m.

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

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