

Council met in regular session with seven of the nine members present. G. Phillips, Henderson, Payne, Fairrow, Brown, Preston, and A. Phillips. In addition to Auditor Spetnagel and Law Director Villarreal, the audience included members of the public and media representation.

Pres. Gieringer asked for a motion to excuse Mr. Proehl and Ms. Nickerson from the November 28<sup>th</sup> meeting. Ms. Payne made the motion, Mr. Greg Phillips seconded. All members in attendance voted “yea” and Pres. Gieringer declared Mr. Proehl and Ms. Nickerson excused.

Pres. Gieringer led the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

Pres. Gieringer asked for a motion to accept the minutes from the previous meeting and the previous special meeting on Nov. 7th. Ms. Henderson made the motion and Mr. Greg Phillips seconded. All members in attendance voted “yea” and Pres. Gieringer declared the minutes accepted.

## COMMITTEE REPORTS:

**Community Affairs:** Mr. Greg Phillips stated that this committee has no items on the agenda, but he called for a committee meeting on December 5<sup>th</sup> at 6:30 for assignment 22-103: Ross County Reentry Coalition.

**Development:** In the absence of Ms. Nickerson there was no report given.

**Human Resources:** Ms. Payne stated that this committee has no items on the agenda and nothing to report.

**Parks and Recreation:** Ms. Henderson stated that this committee has one item on the agenda which is a first reading of a Resolution approving the continued operation of the City’s Designated Outdoor Refreshment Area (DORA) and amending the DORA Resolution for downtown Chillicothe and the Designated Hotel Area on Bridge Street (Downtown Chillicothe Area) and declaring an emergency. Ms. Henderson will request to waive the three-read rule at the appropriate time.

**Engineering/City Service & Transit:** Mr. Fairrow stated that the City Service & Transit committee has nothing on the agenda and nothing to report. Mr. Fairrow reported that the Engineering committee has four items on the agenda. The first is an Ordinance appropriating \$4,000.00 for the replacement of a traffic signal pole near 810 East Main Street – this traffic signal is in front of Mount Logan and the base is failing and needs repaired. At the appropriate time, Mr. Fairrow will request to waive the three-read rule. The next is item four which is an Ordinance appropriating \$16,000.00 for plaster and painting repair at the City of Chillicothe Admin Building- this item will see three reads. The next item is the first reading of an Ordinance establishing an agreement between the City of Chillicothe and the Ohio Department of Transportation regarding their “Municipal Bridge Inspection Program” and declaring an emergency. At the appropriate time, Mr. Fairrow will ask to waive the three-read rule, this allows the city to use ODOT consultants to inspect our bridges at no cost to the City- they just ask that proper signage be added, and repairs made. The last item is number 7 which is an Ordinance accepting and appropriating \$4,776.20 from Ohio Mutual Insurance for repair of the wall located at the entrance of Brewer Heights, which was damaged in a traffic crash, and declaring an emergency. Most of the work has been done, and there will be a request made to waive the three-read rule.

**Finance:** Mr. Tony Phillips stated that this committee has one item on the agenda which is a second reading of an ordinance appropriating \$18,320.00 in insurance funds received as security as the result of a structure fire at 268 South Hickory Street, Chillicothe Ohio and declaring an emergency. At the appropriate time Mr. Phillips will ask Council to waive the three-read rule.

**Safety Service:** Ms. Preston stated that this committee has two items on the agenda. The first is an Ordinance amending Sections 1709.02(d) Weeds, 138.03 Nuisance Abatement Definitions, and 138.06 Notice of Nuisance Service of the Codified Ordinances of the City of Chillicothe Ohio. The second is an Ordinance accepting and appropriating the ARPA Law Enforcement Violence Reduction and Staffing grant, accepting the terms of the grant agreement, approving the creation of a new fund for tracking grant revenue and expenditures, and declaring an emergency.

**Utilities:** In the absence of Mr. Proehl, Mr. Greg Phillips reported that this committee had a 6pm committee meeting early in the evening. Mr. Brad Long and Ms. Spetnagel were in attendance and there were 5 potential options of rate heights that are going to be necessary to help fund and pay for an excess of a 60-million-dollar wastewater treatment plant. In order to meet deadlines, a committee meeting assignment will be coming through soon.

### **REPORTS OF OFFICIALS:**

**Mayor Feeney:** In the absence of the mayor, there was no report given.

**Auditor Spetnagel:** There was no report given by Auditor Spetnagel.

**Law Director Villarreal:** Ms. Villarreal stated that there was no report for her office.

**Council President Gieringer:** There was no report given by President of Council.

### **AUDIENCE PARTICIPATION:**

There was no audience participation.

### **PETITIONS AND CORRESPONDENCE RECEIVED BY THE CLERK:**

There was nothing to report from the Clerk.

### **OLD BUSINESS:**

There was no old business to report.

### **NEW BUSINESS:**

There was no new business to report.

### **READING AND PASSAGE OF LEGISLATION:**

Second reading of an Ordinance amending Sections 1709.02(d) Weeds, 138.03 Nuisance Abatement definitions, and 138.06 Notice of Nuisance or Repeat Nuisance Service of the Codified Ordinances of the City of Chillicothe. Pres. Gieringer declared this item would move to the next agenda.

Second reading of an Ordinance appropriating \$18,320.00 in insurance funds received as security as the result of a structure fire at 268 South Hickory Street, Chillicothe, Ohio, and declaring an emergency. Mr. Anthony Philips made a motion to waive the three-read rule, Ms. Henderson seconded. All members in attendance voted "yea" and Pres. Gieringer declared the motion passed. All members in attendance voted "yea" concerning the legislation and Pres. Gieringer declared Ord. #84-22 adopted.

First reading of an Ordinance appropriating \$4,000.00 for the replacement of a traffic signal pole near 810 East Main Street and declaring an emergency. Mr. Fairrow made a motion to waive the three-read rule, Ms. Payne seconded the motion. All members in attendance voted "yea" and Pres. Gieringer declared the motion passed. All members in attendance voted "yea" concerning the legislation and Pres. Gieringer declared Ord. #85-22 adopted.

First reading of an Ordinance appropriating \$16,000.00 for plaster and painting at the City of Chillicothe Administration Building. Pres. Gieringer declared this item would move to the next agenda.

First reading of an Ordinance accepting and appropriating the ARPA Law Enforcement Violence Reduction and Staffing Grant, accepting the terms of the grant agreement, approving the creation of a new fund for tracking grant revenue and expenditures, and declaring an emergency. Ms. Preston made a motion to waive the three-read rule, Ms. Henderson seconded. All members in attendance voted “yea” and Pres. Gieringer declared the motion passed. All members in attendance voted “yea” concerning the legislation and Pres. Gieringer declared Ord. #86-22 adopted.

First reading of an Ordinance establishing an agreement between the City of Chillicothe and the Ohio Department of Transportation (ODOT) regarding their “Municipal Bridge Inspection Program” and declaring an emergency. Mr. Fairrow made a motion to waive the three-read rule, Ms. Payne seconded. All members in attendance voted “yea” and Pres. Gieringer declared the motion passed. All members in attendance voted “yea” concerning the legislation and Pres. Gieringer declared Ord. #87-22 adopted.

First reading of an Ordinance accepting and appropriating \$4,776.20 from Ohio Mutual Insurance for repair of the wall located at the entrance of Brewer Heights, which was damaged in a traffic crash, and declaring an emergency. Mr. Fairrow made a motion to waive the three-read rule, Ms. Payne seconded. All members in attendance voted “yea” and Pres. Gieringer declared the motion passed. All members in attendance voted “yea” concerning the legislation and Pres. Gieringer declared Ord. #88-22 adopted.

First reading of a Resolution approving the continued operation of the City’s Designated Outdoor Refreshment Area (DORA) and amending the DORA Resolution for Downtown Chillicothe and the Designated Hotel Area on Bridge Street (Downtown Chillicothe area) and declaring an emergency. Ms. Henderson made a motion to waive the three-read rule, Ms. Preston seconded. All members in attendance voted “yea” and Pres. Gieringer declared the motion passed. All members in attendance voted “yea” concerning the legislation and Pres. Gieringer declared Res. #34-22 adopted.

Pres. Gieringer asked for a motion to adjourn the meeting. Mr. Fairrow made the motion, Ms. Preston seconded. All members in attendance voted “yea” and the meeting was adjourned at 7:22pm.