

Council met in regular session with eight of the nine members present: G. Phillips, Nickerson, Fairrow, Henderson, Preston, A. Phillips, and Park. Mr. Proehl called in with an illness. Ms. Payne moved to excuse his absence; Mr. Fairrow seconded. In addition to Mayor Feeney and Law Director Villarreal, the audience included many members of the public and media representation.

President Gieringer led the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

President Gieringer asked if anyone had any additions or corrections to the April 25th, 2022, regular meeting minutes. Ms. Henderson made a motion to accept the minutes, Mr. Fairrow seconded. All members in attendance voted "yea" and President Gieringer declared the minutes as accepted.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Community Affairs: Mr. Greg Phillips stated that Community Affairs has two items on the agenda. Number 7 is a second reading that will go on to a third reading and it is the non-profit funding procedures. Number 9 is a first reading that will support the community's yard sale weekend and waive the applicable yard sale permit fee of \$5. Mr. Phillips thanks the Auditor and her office for their flexibility. The idea for this year is that the yard sale waiver will correspond with each town section of garbage pickup for large items. Mr. Phillips stated that he will ask at the appropriate time to waive the three-read rule and add emergency language. A Committee meeting was held earlier in the evening concerning the use of the Municipal parking lot for Young Life to hold a rummage sale.

Human Resources Committee: Ms. Payne stated there wasn't anything new to report, but she will ask at the appropriate time to amend the non-bargaining ordinance.

Development Committee: Ms. Nickerson stated that the committee had one item on the agenda. Number three which is a third reading of an ordinance consenting to Ohio Enterprise Zone and Tax Abatement Agreement.

Finance Committee: Mr. Anthony Phillips stated that the committee had eight (8) items on the agenda for the evening.

Parks and Recreation Committee: Ms. Henderson stated that the committee has seven (7) items on the agenda for the evening. Items 10, 11, and 13 are street closures for Kopp Street for a Fireworks viewing party, a member of the Lost Tribe Motorcycle Club wedding and a poker run. Items 15 and 19 are for the Carver Community Center, a Lupus Awareness Day and Southend Community Day. Item 12 is for Pottery Throwdown co-hosted by Nellie Dog and Mighty Children's Museum. The last item is a closure of Paint Street for the 2nd annual Sand in the Streets volleyball tournament. Ms. Henderson shared about the highlight of Chillicothe on NBC's Live Happy Live Well broadcast. A committee meeting was held concerning the Parks and Rec department applying for a Natureworks grant, in the amount of \$150,000.00 to renovate the park entrance around Mulberry Street, which will connect sidewalks and provide wheelchair access down into the park.

Safety Services Committee: Ms. Preston shared that Safety Services had one item on the agenda. Number 4 which is an ordinance amending section 505.14 of the Codified Ordinances concerning livestock within corporation limits of the City.

City Services/Transit: Mr. Fairrow stated that this committee had nothing on the agenda and nothing to report.

Engineering: Mr. Fairrow stated that this committee had nothing on the agenda and nothing to report but he would like to call for a committee meeting next Monday May 16th at 6:30. The subject of that meeting will be a drainage easement and road traffic usage at River's Edge.

Utilities: No report in the absence of Mr. Proehl.

REPORTS OF OFFICIALS:

Mayor Luke Feeney: Mayor Feeney stated that his main comment on tonight's agenda would be number 17 which is a pending bill for the Wireless Emergency Notification Center. The City splits the cost with the county. He said he would ask respectfully for the waive of the three-read rule for that item. Mayor Feeney also shared about a dog named Ren, a social media subject, on of the service dogs for the city. Ren is a Belgian Malinois- there has been a picture circulating where the dog looked thin, and it raised some concerns. A quick google of that breed will reveal that they are muscular dogs. There has been a background of Ren's vet visits and he is in good health. Mayor Feeney wanted to highlight the K-9 units and their human handlers and what good work they do. Mayor Feeney also commented on the influx in street closure requests- the ordinances that are in place do not give a definitive way to do a street closure for a non-construction event. A committee assignment request has been drafted to present to Council on how they want to handle different scenarios. Mayor Feeney shared how happy of a day Yellow Day was the week before. He also announced that he is going to resume in-person Mayor's office hours to answer questions or have conversations with citizens.

Law Director Anna Villarreal :

Law Director Villarreal stated she agreed with the mayor on the discussion of street closures. The additional paperwork is very overwhelming for the Law Director's office, she mentioned that there are questions as to whether a resolution is needed or not.

City Council President:

President Gieringer had nothing to report.

AUDIENCE PARTICIPATION :

There was no audience participation.

OLD BUSINESS:

Mr. Greg Phillips called for a committee meeting for next Monday at 6:15 for the last outstanding Community Affairs assignment from the beginning of the year. It will be a discussion about funding for Hope Partnership and what the city may be willing or not willing to do with that.

Ms. Payne brought up the non-bargaining ordinance 15-22. It was added to the list of legislation later in the meeting.

NEW BUSINESS:

There was no new business brought up.

COUNCIL ASSIGNMENTS AND CALENDAR:

READING AND PASSAGE OF LEGISLATION:

Third reading of an ordinance accepting and appropriating \$2500.00 received from the Ohio Forestry Association. All members in attendance voted "yea" and President Gieringer declared the legislation as passed.

Third reading of an ordinance appropriating \$11,000.00 to purchase a Computer Voice Stress Analysis III System for the Chillicothe Police Department. All members in attendance voted "yea" and President Gieringer declared the legislation as passed.

Third reading of an ordinance consenting to an Ohio Enterprise Zone and Tax Abatement Agreement between the City of Chillicothe OH and J. C. Enterprises of Chillicothe, LLC DBA Chillicothe Steel. All members in attendance voted "yea" with the exception of Ms. Park who abstained from voting. President Gieringer declared the legislation as passed.

Second reading of an ordinance amending Section 505.14 of the Codified Ordinances of the City of Chillicothe as it pertains to prohibiting certain animals to be kept or harbored within the corporation limits of the City of Chillicothe. President Gieringer declared this legislation would move onto the next agenda.

Second reading of an ordinance appropriating \$2600.00 for the use toward the purchase of a Beacon Meter Reading Program for the Utilities Department. President Gieringer declared that this legislation would move to the next agenda.

Second reading of an ordinance appropriating funds to pay for the demolition of a home located at 182 Western Avenue. President Gieringer declared that this legislation would move to the next agenda.

Second reading of an ordinance establishing a non-profit funding committee and procedures for handling funding requests from community non-profit organizations. President Gieringer declared this item would move to the next agenda.

First reading of an ordinance appropriating funds in the amount of \$1500.00 for the remaining balance due for window and door replacement at Fire Station 4. President Gieringer declared that this legislation would move to the next agenda.

First reading of an ordinance supporting the City's community yard sale weekends and waiving the applicable yard sale permit fee of five dollars (\$5.00) for participants. Mr. Greg Phillips made a motion to add emergency language, Mr. Fairrow seconded. All members in attendance voted "yea" and President Gieringer declared the motion as passed. Mr. Phillips made a motion to waive the three-read rule. Ms. Payne seconded. All members in attendance voted "yea" and President Gieringer declared the motion as passed. All members in attendance voted "yea" and President Gieringer declared the legislation as passed.

First reading of a resolution expressing cooperation in granting use of Lost Tribe Motorcycle Club for its July 4 fireworks viewing party. President Gieringer declared this item would move to the next agenda.

First reading of a resolution expressing cooperation and granting use of Kopp Street to the Lost Tribe Motorcycle Club for hosting a club member's wedding on July 16th, 2022 and declaring an emergency. President Gieringer declared this item would move to the next agenda.

First reading of a resolution expressing cooperation and granting use of a certain portion of East Fourth Street to the Mighty Children's Museum for its "Pottery Throwdown" event. President Gieringer declared that this item would move to the next agenda.

First reading of a resolution expressing cooperation and granting use of Kopp Street to the Lost Tribe Motorcycle Club for its "Butterfly in the Sky" Poker Run event on July 30th, 2022. President Gieringer declared this legislation would move to the next agenda.

First reading of an ordinance appropriating funds in the amount of \$300.00 for the remaining balance due for the purchase of a diesel steam cleaner for the Sewer Department. President Gieringer declared that this legislation would move to the next agenda.

First reading of a resolution expressing cooperation and granting use of a certain portion of West Fourth Street to Carver Community Center for its "Lupus Awareness Day" event and declaring an emergency. Ms. Henderson made a motion to waive the three-read rule. Mr. Fairrow seconded. All members in attendance voted "yea" with the exception of Ms. Park who abstained from the vote. President Gieringer declared the motion as passed. All members in attendance voted "yea" with the exception of Ms. Park who abstained from voting on the legislation. President Gieringer declared the legislation as passed.

First reading of a resolution expressing cooperation and granting use of a certain portion of Paint Street to the Downtown Chillicothe Organization for its 2nd annual Sand in the Streets volleyball event. President Gieringer declared this legislation would move to the next agenda.

First reading of an ordinance appropriating \$2,074.95 to cover the cost of the City's annual subscription for the "Wireless Emergency Notification Center" (WENS). Mr. Phillips made a motion to waive the three-read rule and Ms. Henderson seconded. All members in attendance voted "yea" and President Gieringer declared the motion as passed. All members in attendance voted "yea" and President Gieringer declared the legislation as passed.

First reading of an ordinance appropriating funds in the amount of \$23,000 for costs related to HVAC repairs and the replacement of air conditioning units at Fire Station 1 and declaring an emergency. Mr. Anthony Phillips made a motion to waive the three-read rule and Mr. Greg Phillips seconded. All members in attendance voted "yea" and President Gieringer declared the motion as passed. All members in attendance voted "yea" and President Gieringer declared the legislation as passed.

First reading of a resolution expressing cooperation and granting use of a certain portion of South Walnut Street to Carver Community Center for its "Southend Community Day/Carver All Class Reunion" event. President Gieringer declared this legislation would move to the next agenda.

Item number 20 is an ordinance establishing rates and pay and other economic benefits for classified, non-classified and management level employees for the City of Chillicothe Ohio and declaring an emergency. Ms. Payne made motion to waive the three-day receipt rule, Ms. Henderson seconded. All members in attendance voted "yea" with the exception of Ms. Park who abstained from voting. President Gieringer declared the motion as passed.

Ms. Payne made a motion to waive the three-read rule, Mr. Greg Phillips seconded. All members in attendance voted "yea" with the exception of Ms. Park who abstained from voting. President Gieringer declared the motion as passed.

All members in attendance voted "yea" concerning the legislation with the exception of Ms. Park who abstained from voting. President Gieringer declared the legislation as passed.

President Gieringer asked if anyone had anything to add or bring up.

Ms. Payne welcomed Ms. Park to the Council.

Ms. Henderson made a motion to adjourn the meeting, Ms. Nickerson seconded. All members in attendance voted "yea" and the meeting was adjourned at 7:45pm.

