

RECORD OF PROCEEDINGS

MEETING OF COUNCIL

July 11, 2016

Mayor O'Callaghan called the City of Union council meeting to order on Monday, July 11, 2016 at 7:30 p.m.

Attendance was taken and the following council members were present: Mayor O'Callaghan, Mr. Bruns, Mrs. Kyle, Mrs. Perkins, Mr. Blackwell, and Ms. Tremain.

Other city staff members attending the meeting were John Applegate, City Manager, Denise Winemiller, Clerk of Council, and Joe Moore, Law Director.

Mayor O'Callaghan asked for a moment of silence.

Mayor O'Callaghan said that Mrs. Oberer had commented at the last meeting that she would not be able to attend the July council meeting because she would be out of town. He moved that her absence be excused. Ms. Tremain seconded the motion. All concurred and the motion was passed. Mrs. Oberer's absence was excused.

1. Mayor O'Callaghan asked if there were any additions, corrections, or deletions for the minutes of the June 13, 2016 council meeting. There were no corrections so Mr. Bruns moved that the minutes be accepted as prepared. Mr. Blackwell seconded the motion. All council members voted in favor of the motion. The minutes of the June 13, 2016 meeting were accepted as prepared.

2. Citizen's and Visitor's Comments

Mrs. Winemiller said there was no one who wished to address the council.

3. Motion to extend the trash collection contract with Rumpke Waste Inc. for one year. (October 1, 2016 through September 30, 2017) (Second Renewal)

Mr. Applegate said they have checked with Rumpke and they are willing to extend the contract for one additional year at the current rates.

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Mr. Bruns moved to extend the Rumpke contract an additional year for the term of October 1, 2016 through September 30, 2017. Mr. Blackwell seconded the motion. All concurred and the motion was passed.

4. **ONE READING** - RESOLUTION 16-05 – A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE CITY OF UNION TO PREPARE AND SUBMIT AN APPLICATION TO PARTICIPATE IN THE OHIO PUBLIC WORKS COMMISSION STATE CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT AND/OR LOCAL TRANSPORTATION IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM(S) AND TO EXECUTE CONTRACTS AS REQUIRED.

Mr. Applegate said this was an Issue II application. He had met with Eric Smith, Englewood's City Manager and they discussed submitting a joint application for State Route 48. Mr. Applegate said they invited Clayton also so the three cities will be submitting the Issue II application with Englewood being the lead agency. Mr. Applegate said doing the project jointly will save the city \$80,000.00 if approved.

Mr. Bruns moved that they have the one and only reading of Resolution 16-05. Mr. Blackwell seconded the motion. All concurred and the motion was passed. Resolution 16-05 was adopted on the first reading.

5. Motion to accept 2017 asking budget.

Mr. Applegate said the budget committee had met and gone over the budget. Even though it was not required, they still reviewed the budget revenue and expenses and requested the asking budget to be accepted by the council by motion. He said he didn't know if any members of the budget committee wanted to comment.

Mrs. Perkins said they had reviewed it and everything was in order. Mayor O'Callaghan said they had gone over it and were all in agreement. Mr. Bruns said the one thing that they all saw, was that all cities, including the City of Union, were having problems with street maintenance, keeping up the condition of the streets.

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Mr. Bruns added that the budget was very tight and would probably be even tighter by the end of the year. He said they had all gone over the figures and it was the best that they could do.

He said he recommended that they pass the budget for 2017. He moved that the 2017 budget be approved. Mr. Blackwell seconded the motion. All concurred and the 2017 asking budget was adopted.

6. Open Agenda

Mrs. Perkins reminded everyone of the Tri-Centennial event occurring on July 23, 2016. She said there would be a golf scramble, corn hole tournament, music, food trucks, and a silent auction with the benefits going to the Randolph Township Historical Society. The hours will be from 11:00 to 3:00 and they are still needing volunteers.

Mr. Bruns asked if there was any need to have a second meeting in July. Mr. Applegate said there were no items pending so Mr. Bruns moved that the second meeting in July be cancelled. Mr. Blackwell seconded the motion. All concurred and the motion was passed. Mr. Bruns said the next meeting would be on August 8, 2016.

Mr. Applegate said Mrs. Oberer had asked about a dead tree in the park at an earlier meeting. He said they had actually found six dead trees in the park and they have now been removed. They have about five or six more in the road right-of-way to remove. He said that they have all been ash trees that are dying. He said they have taken down about 35 to 40 trees so far.

Mr. Bruns asked if the trimming of the trees along Main Street had been scheduled. Mr. Applegate said that it was on the schedule and should be done this year. They would be trimming the lower branches.

Mr. Applegate said that the portion of West Martindale Road would be paved in the last week of July. Everything else was done and the contractors were scheduled to come in and pave.

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Ms. Tremain said a person at the VFW had asked her about trimming the trees because the branches were getting low to the signs. Mr. Applegate said it would be done. He said the trimming would have been done already except they had to cut down so many of the dead trees. He said in the spring, there were a lot of trees that never leafed out and had died over the winter.

7. Mr. Bruns moved that the council meeting be adjourned. Mr. Blackwell seconded the motion. All concurred and the motion was passed. The July 11, 2016 council meeting was adjourned. The next council meeting will be on Monday, August 8, 2016.

Respectfully submitted,

Denise A. Winemiller,
Clerk of Council

John Bruns, Vice Mayor