

# RECORD OF PROCEEDINGS

## MEETING OF COUNCIL

October 9, 2018

Mayor O'Callaghan called the City of Union council meeting to order on Tuesday, October 9, 2018 at 7:30 p.m.

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

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 called for a moment of silence.

Mayor O'Callaghan said that Mrs. Oberer was out of town and he moved that her absence be excused. Mr. Bruns seconded the motion. All concurred and her absence was excused.

1. Mayor O'Callaghan asked if there were any additions, corrections, or deletions for the minutes of the September 10, 2018 council meeting.

There were no corrections so Mr. Bruns moved that the minutes be accepted as prepared. Mr. Blackwell seconded the motion. Mrs. Perkins abstained and the other council members voted in favor of the motion. The minutes of the September 10, 2018 council meeting were accepted as prepared.

2. Citizen's and Visitor's Comments

There were no comments from any citizens or visitors in the audience.

3. Karen Hesser, Chief of Operations at Five Rivers Metro Park, was present to give a presentation to the council concerning their upcoming levy.

Mrs. Hesser thanked the council for allowing her to come to the meeting. She gave a brief history of the Five Rivers Metro Park, founded in 1963.

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She distributed a handout of the park improvements and talked about the variety of parks and what each one offered, like Aullwood, Englewood Metro Park, etc.

A video was shown on Five Rivers Metro Parks. The park area has 16,000 acres and ninety percent is in a natural state. They have a ten year master plan, working to maintain safe, clean parks, facilities, trails, healthy water ways and wild life habitats. Mrs. Hesser said as Chief of Operations, she oversees the 16,000 acres. She moved to Ohio because of the outstanding Park System of the Metro Parks.

Mrs. Hesser relayed additional information that the parks offer biking, walking, and has activities for everyone. Other information provided was that they have thirty park rangers that work 24/7 and have planted 90,000 tree seedlings because of the Emerald Ash borer. The parks have various programs and events, and literally have something to offer everyone. Miami Conservancy District has been a long time partner and currently they are working with Englewood on putting in a covered bridge, with a construction start date of 2020.

A levy for the park district is on the ballot for November 6. The last levy was in 2009, for 1.8 mills and they are replacing that with 2.0 mills. There have been a lot of reductions in funds from the state and this replacement levy is needed so they can maintain Five Rivers Metro Parks. She added that eighty percent of their funding comes from this levy.

Mr. Applegate asked what improvements were planned for the City of Union area and she said they had plans for the Pig Eye Creek area and improvements on the trails, shelters and the water ways.

Mr. Applegate asked for a list of those improvements and he said when he received the list he would forward the information to the council. Mrs. Hesser

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agreed to send Mr. Applegate the list of improvements and thanked the council members for letting her attend and address the council.

4. **ONE READING** – RESOLUTION 18-19 – A RESOLUTION APPROVING THE SOLID WASTE MANAGEMENT PLAN OF THE MONTGOMERY COUNTY SOLID WASTE MANAGEMENT DISTRICT.

Mr. Applegate said this resolution was concerning the adoption of the 2019 Montgomery County Solid Waste District Plan. He said the plan had been emailed to the council before the last meeting.

Mr. Applegate said they are part of the community, a member of the solid waste district, and they need a minimum of sixty percent of the members to adopt the plan. Mr. Applegate said he had read the plan and had been attending meetings on this. It was required to be a member to keep in compliance to be in the solid waste district. They did this update every five years. Mr. Applegate said he recommended the approval of this updated plan.

Mr. Bruns moved that Resolution 18-19 be approved. Mr. Blackwell seconded the motion. All concurred and Resolution 18-19 was adopted.

5. Open Agenda

Mayor O'Callaghan said they had awarded the Spirit of Union to Darcel and Kevin Myers on 417 North Main Street. He said they were featured in the recent city newsletter and the Myers had done a very good job on their property. He recommended people drive by and see their award winning landscaping.

The Mayor noted that information regarding the upcoming Police Levy was in the newsletter. Election Day is November 6, and he asked that people get out and vote and also to vote for the police levy.

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Mr. Applegate was asked about the progress on the water line on West Martindale Road.

Mr. Applegate said they had finished a major crossing at McCraw Drive and were now working on the water line for Shaw Road. They have put in a 16 inch water line on West Martindale. Mr. Applegate said they would be patching the road and then paving after that. He said they had been working with the schools and opening up the road at night so people can get through. He said that they have been able to open to let the school buses through.

Mr. Bruns reminded everyone that Beggar's Night was Wednesday, October 31, 2018, from 6:00 pm. to 8:00 pm.

Mr. Bruns asked if there was any reason to have a meeting on October 22. Mr. Applegate said there was nothing pending so Mr. Bruns moved that the October 22 council meeting be cancelled.

Mr. Bruns also commented that due to the Veteran's Day holiday, the next council meeting would be on Tuesday, November 13.

Mr. Applegate said that the work on the community building was going forward and was now under roof.

The work at the wastewater treatment plan is progressing and things are happening, and they are moving around equipment, etc. The city employees are quite busy.

Leaf pickup will start on Monday, October 15 and they are putting up the holiday lights on Main Street.

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Mrs. Winemiller said she had distributed the July and August fund sheets to the council. They did not have September yet because they were waiting on information on the final property tax settlement from Montgomery County.

She also commented that the 2017 audit was completed and was being reviewed by the state.

9. Mr. Bruns moved that the October 9, 2018 council meeting be adjourned. Mr. Blackwell seconded the motion. All concurred and the meeting was adjourned.

The next council meeting will be on Tuesday, November 13, 2018.

Respectfully submitted,

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Denise A. Winemiller,  
Clerk of Council

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John Bruns, Vice Mayor