

**REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING –August 11, 2016 - GATEWAY- 5:00 p.m.**

**CALL TO ORDER** - Mayor Ladd Wendelin called the meeting to order at 5:00 pm and the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag was recited.

**Roll Call of the Members of the City Council** - Josh Williby, Brandon Oien and Rusty Addleman. **Majority of the Body Present.**

Absent: Jim Marchello and Marilyn Horn

**Others Present:** City Attorney Steve Hirsch, Police Chief Troy Haas and Amy, City Treasurer Steve Zodrow, Marilyn Black, Heather McDougal, Cynthia Haynes with Oberlin Herald, Mike & Bernita Gawith, Frieda & Bernard Goetz and City Clerk Sandy Rush

**PROCLAMATIONS** – none

**APPOINTMENTS** – Williby moved, second by Addleman to reappoint Mirla Coleman for three years to the Arts & Humanities Commission. **Motion carried.** Williby moved, second by Oien to appoint Theresa Shaughnessy for three years to the Arts & Humanities Commission. **Motion carried.** Both terms to end in 2019.

**PUBLIC COMMENT** – Heather McDougal with the Decatur County Area Chamber of Commerce requested and received permission from the Council to use the grassy area along the road at the Sappa Park for parking for the Sappa Fest to be held September 10, 2016.

Bernard and Frieda Goetz requested the Council to review the current zoning ordinance regarding vacant lots. They would like to see if the guidelines could be changed to allow new construction on vacant lots whether or not you live next to it. The Council assured them that it was an agenda topic to be discussed.

**CONSENT AGENDA**

Approval of minutes - for July 21, 2016 regular Council meeting.

Appropriation Ordinance - Payment of Bills.

Williby moved, second by Oien, to approve the Consent Agenda. **Motion carried.**

**CLOSE REGULAR MEETING: Open 2017 Budget Hearing** – Oien moved, second by Williby to close the regular meeting and open the Budget Hearing. **Motion carried.**

City Treasurer Steve Zodrow clarified the mill levy would be close to the same as last year at 84.564 and asked if there were any concerns. There were none. Williby moved, second by Oien to close the budget hearing and open the regular meeting. **Motion carried.**

Williby moved, second by Addleman to approve the proposed 2017 Budget as published. **Motion carried.**

**#1 Executive Session** - At 5:20 pm, Williby moved, second by Oien to enter into executive session for 15 minutes to discuss non-elected personnel. To include Mayor, Council, City Attorney, City Clerk and Police Chief Troy Haas. **Motion carried.** Back in session at 5:35 pm with no decision made.

**#2 Executive Session** – At 5:40 pm Williby moved, second by Oien to enter into a second executive session for 10 minutes to discuss non-elected personnel. To include Mayor, Council and City Attorney and City Clerk. **Motion carried.** Back at 5:50 pm with no decision made.

**#3 Executive Session** – At 5:55 pm Oien moved, second by Williby to enter into a third executive session for 10 minutes to discuss matters deemed privileged in attorney-client relationship. To include Mayor, Council, City Attorney and City Clerk. **Motion carried.** Back at 6:05 pm with no decision made.

## OLD BUSINESS

Discuss 612 N Rodehaver Resolution No. 697 – After a short discussion, the Council decided no action would be taken on property at 612 N Rodehaver since the owners were working on complying with the city requirements.

## NEW BUSINESS

Discussion on permitted uses for “R” Residential Single & Two Family Dwelling Districts – After a long discussion, the Council requested City Attorney Hirsch to draft a proposal for amending the “R” zone that prohibits building an accessory building on a lot without a house or residential unit on the same lot. Williby moved, second by Oien to approve the proposal to start the process for the changes. **Motion carried.**

## OTHER REPORTS

Mayors Report – Mayor Wendelin encouraged all to attend Senator Jerry Moran’s town-hall meeting.

Public Works Report – City Foreman David Sporn’s report is attached.

Treasurers Report – July Cash flow and the Sales Tax collection report is attached.

Mr. Zodrow updated the Council on behalf of Gary Anderson with the Oberlin Convention & Visitors Bureau (CVB) commission. They will be advertising for a part-time Marketing Director to work for the CVB. The museum would manage the payroll in exchange for eight hours per month of work at the museum. This would be funded by the transient guest tax money.

Mr. Zodrow also informed the Council a test file had been sent to Itron for a trial run on the radio reads.

## ADJOURNMENT

At 6:40 pm Williby moved, second by Oien to adjourn. **Motion carried.**

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Sandy Rush, City Clerk

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Ladd Wendelin, Mayor