

 APPROVED

**URBANA CITY COUNCIL  
REGULAR SESSION MEETING  
TUESDAY, DECEMBER 3, 2019**

President Hess called the City of Urbana Regular Session Meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. City staff attending: Mayor Bill Bean, Director of Administration Kerry Brugger, Director of Finance Chris Boettcher, Director of Law Mark Feinstein, Police Chief Matt Lingrell, Community Development Director Doug Crabill, and Water Reclamation Supervisor Chad Hall.

**PRESIDENT CALLED ROLL:** Mr. Fields, present; Mr. Hoffman, absent; Mr. Scott, present; Mr. Thackery, present; Mr. McKee, present; and Mr. Piper, absent.

**UPD Civilian Service Award** – Police Chief Matt Lingrell presented this award to Randy and Terra Fraley. Chief Lingrell stated that on October 1, 2019, there was a subject suffering from an overdose, and Randy and Terra Fraley stepped forward to help this individual. He added that emergency agencies look for citizens help and in Urbana, we are very lucky to have such individuals that choose to get involved. He further stated that after Randy and Terra notified 911, they worked to get the vehicle shut off, gave a sternum rub to the individual and tried to communicate with the victim. Chief Lingrell showed his gratitude as well as everyone in attendance, by giving the recipients of the award a standing ovation.

**MINUTES** of the Regular Session Meeting Minutes of November 19, 2019 were presented for approval. Mr. Thackery moved for the approval of said minutes and Mr. Fields seconded. Voice vote on approval: all ayes, nays, none.  
Motion passed 5-0.

**COMMUNICATIONS**

1. Charter Review Committee Meeting Minutes of November 13, 2019, in addition to November 20, 2019.
2. Shade Tree Commission Minutes of October 10, 2019.
3. Letter from Champaign County Commissioners regarding Public Defender – In Court Fees – Increased.
4. Oak Dale Cemetery Board Meeting Minutes of September 19, 2019.
5. Proposed City Council meeting schedule for calendar year 2020.

Mr. Paul asked Mr. Feinstein if he felt that the Charter Committee was losing momentum. Mr. Feinstein stated that he didn't feel that way, that the Charter Committee was just taking a break until after the holidays. Mr. Paul asked Mr. Crabill how long of a list did the Shade Tree Commission have. Mr. Crabill stated that they have not updated the inventory list yet, but that would be completed around the month of May or June.

Mr. Feinstein spoke of the Public Defender in Court Fees increase. He stated that recently, on the State level, they increased the amount of money for the Court appointed fees from \$60.00 to \$65.00. He also stated that there will be a proposed Ordinance to approve the agreement with the County.

Mr. Fields asked how many wreaths were going out in the cemetery this year. Mr. Brugger stated that he wasn't sure on the count.

Mr. Thackery moved to put all communications on the floor for discussion and possible passage. Mr. Paul seconded. Voice vote on approval: all ayes; nays, none.

Motion passed 5-0.

## **ADMINISTRATIVE REPORTS – BOARD OF CONTROL**

None

## **CITIZEN COMMENTS**

Marcia Bailey and Doug Crabill spoke of good news. Mrs. Bailey began by stating that they were interviewed by Channel 7 News and advised the funding for Legacy Place is all in place. She added that the remodeling is forthcoming. Mr. Crabill added that the grant for \$700,000.00 was approved in November.

## **Ordinances and Resolutions**

### **First Reading**

#### **Ordinance No. 4516-19**

An Ordinance repealing and replacing Chapter 935 of the City of Urbana Codified Ordinances, Industrial Pretreatment, to comply with the requirements of the Ohio EPA, and declaring an emergency. (Requires three readings)

Mr. Hall stated that this Ordinance was basically a housekeeping issue that is streamlining rules from the EPA. He added that there was nothing significant and that most of it revolved around definitions.

President Hess declared this Ordinance to have its first reading.

#### **Resolution No. 2568-19**

A Resolution authorizing the transfer of an approved tax abatement at 1958 E. St. Rt. 36, Urbana, Ohio, within an Enterprise Zone Area (EZ) from "Urbana MOB LLC" to "Columbus Urbana, LLC" upon transfer of title. (May be passed on first reading)

Mrs. Bailey stated that if there is a different owner, the tax abatement goes with the building. Additionally, a new LLC was formed, therefore the title is being transferred, but only the title. She also added that this will not show up on the TIRC review until 2021.

Mr. Thacker moved to put this Resolution on the floor for discussion and possible passage. Mr. Paul seconded.

President Hess call for a roll call for passage: Mr. Paul, yes; Mr. Scott, yes; Mr. Thackery, yes; Mr. McKee, yes; and Mr. Fields, yes.

Resolution passes 5-0.

**Second Reading –**

**Ordinance No. 4515-19**

An Ordinance repealing Section 549.01 and Chapter 761 of the City of Urbana Codified Ordinances, and amending Chapter 301, 375, and 505 and in particular Section 301.12, 375.03(a) and 505.11, of the City of Urbana Codified Ordinances, relating to the ownership, possession, purchase, other acquisition, transport, storage, carrying, sale, other transfer, manufacture, taxation, keeping, and reporting of loss or theft of firearms, their components, and their ammunition, and declaring an emergency. (Requires three readings)

Mr. Feinstein said that the Ohio Legislature passed a new code effective 12/28/19 that the City must comply with. Further, he stated that this change has not yet been challenged. He also stated that any fines will now go to the State and not to the City and this should not have an impact on the City, for there was no current Ordinance on the books regarding the same.

President Hess declared this ordinance to have its second reading.

**Third Reading –**

**Resolution No. 2433-19**

A Resolution to appropriate money for the several objects and purposes which the City of Urbana, Ohio must provide for the fiscal year ending December 31, 2020. (Requires three readings)

Mr. Thackery moved to put this Resolution on the floor for discussion and possible passage. Mr. Paul seconded.

President Hess called for a roll call for passage: Mr. Paul, yes; Mr. Scott, yes; Mr. Thackery, yes; Mr. McKee, yes; and Mr. Fields, yes.

Resolution passes 5-0.

**MISCELLANEOUS BUSINESS/WORK SESSION**

Mr. Crabill said that President Hess, Councilman Paul, Councilman Thackery and himself, went to the Rumpke Recycling Plant in Dayton for a tour. He said they all had a great time and that it was very interesting. He added that a magnet went out in the mail for citizens from Rumpke giving more information on what is allowed in the recycling cart. He also added that renewals were upcoming.

Mr. Hall advised that the Compost Facility would be closing for the season this Saturday. He also said that the leaf pick up was going well.

Mr. Brugger said that the Legacy Place Project has been bubbling for a while and he wanted to share the importance of everyone pushing and pulling together to get something done. He said that the Government, the school and the private parties working together was a key in the success thus far. He added that he went to a meeting, and the Legacy Place Project came up as a topic and the people attending were very impressed to see this happening, having three historic buildings being redone for senior housing. He emphasized how impressed he was of working with a group working together as “we” not “me”.

Mayor Bean added that a lot of people were involved in this project, attending a lot of meetings, and putting in a lot of hours. He stated that everyone saw the goal line and “We are there.” He thanked everyone for all of their help. Mayor Bean continued by advising that Dick Nau had passed away. He advised that Attorney Nau was originally on the Charter Committee, and he helped write the Charter. He said that he was also on the Civil Service Commission for numerous years. Mayor Bean then spoke about the recent Friday night activities. He stated there were over 80 horses in the parade and Santa has arrived. He said the tree was lit and there was a lot of food and everyone seemed to have a great time.

Mr. Paul asked Mrs. Bailey now that the funding was lined up, what was next. Mrs. Bailey advised that they would know more this coming Friday at the meeting.

Mr. Scott stated he was approached by a BZA member that showed concerned how the concrete Ordinance mandates sidewalks, when there is no curb or gutter. He further stated this issue must be discussed.

Mr. Thackery spoke about the Legacy Park Project. He stated that when you think back, the Douglass Inn was going to be torn down. Now, with all the cooperation, it will be redone to house our senior citizens. He thanked everyone involved for making this happen. He further said that the Roundabout is working very well and he hasn't heard any negativity of the same. He then spoke about the timing of the South Main Street Corridor Project. Mr. Crabill said the timeline was coming sometime in the first quarter of next year and that the regarding the BR1 districts, there will be some sort of change.

President Hess stated that his thoughts and prayers go out to all of Dick Nau's family and friends. He also stated that the trip to Rumpke was wonderful, and there were mountains of cardboard. He also stated that he attended a dinner put on by Big Willie's, which a free dinner was supplied to anyone who attended. He also stated that small business such as Big Willie's do not get the recognition they deserve, when they make this community what it is. President Hess then spoke about Home Rule, and that we needed to really get this going. He also thanked everyone involved in the Legacy Park Project.

Mr. Fields moved to excuse Council members Ray Piper and Doug Hoffman. Mr. Paul seconded. Voice vote on approval: all ayes, nays, none.

Motion passes 5-0.


Mr. McKee moved to adjourn and Mr. Paul seconded. Voice vote on approval: all ayes, nays none.

Motion passes 5-0.

**ADJOURN AT 7:02 p.m.**

**NEXT SCHEDULED MEETING**

December 17, 2019, at 6:00 p.m.

  
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Council Clerk

  
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Council President

**WORK SESSION**

Mr. Crabill spoke of the Community Revitalization District. He stated the City is allowed one D5 License per 2,000.00 residents, for which the City had a total of 6 licenses. He stated that all existing D5 Licenses are currently issued. He said that an establishment of a Community Revitalization District allows for additional D5L Licenses. Further, he stated that within this district there could be more D5L Licenses available:

- Application from private property owner within district
- District boundaries approved by Mayor and City Council through legislative process
- Submitted with documentation to Ohio Division of Liquor Control for approval
- One D5L Permit for every five acres in district
- Existing B-3 District (Approximately 65 acres)
  - 12-13 New D5L licenses/Permit; Market Driven
- Sidney, Medina, Wooster, Bellefontaine (Community Revitalization Districts)

**Work Session Adjourned at 7:16 p.m.**