

**Urbana City Council**  
**Regular Session Meeting**  
**Tuesday, November 2, 2021**

President Hess called the City of Urbana Regular Session Meeting to order at 6:00pm

**City Staff attending:** Mayor Bill Bean, Director of Administration Kerry Brugger, Director of Finance Chris Boettcher, Chief Ortleib (UFD).

**President Called Roll:** Mr. Fields, absent; Mr. Hoffman, present; Mr. Paul, present; Mr. Scott, present; Mr. Thackery, present; Mrs. Collier, absent.

### **Minutes**

Urbana City Council Regular Session Meeting Minutes of October 19, 2021.

Mr. Scott moved to approve minutes as presented. Mr. Thackery seconded.

Motion passed 4-0

### **Communications**

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

1. Salary Commission Meeting Minutes of October 12, 2021
2. Public Safety Committee Meeting Minutes of October 21, 2021
3. Email from Joe S. regarding Energy Aggregation Programs
4. Letter of Resignation from Clerk of Council, Amy Deere.

Mr. Brugger added information to item #3 above stating that Council passed Ordinance 2512-17 in October 2017. The city approved the measure in May 2018 resulting in Ordinance 2530-18 Dynegy agreement to provide energy aggregation. This agreement expires in Dec 2021. New agreement with Energy Harbor for 3 years will result in a .001¢ increase. This agreement requires an active opt-out by residents.

Motion passed 4-0

### **Board of Control**

1. Chief Ortlieb addressed this BOC item explaining this addresses changes to the Fire/EMS cloud-based computer system. The additional amount requested will cover the transition from the old, near end-of-life system called "Firehouse" which will no longer be supported at EOY 2022. "Emergency Networking" package will be the cloud-based, go-forward platform. This expenditure will simply pull forward by 2 months transition costs and get the migration completed with plenty of time to spare in case of issues before Firehouse is not supported anymore.

Mr. Thackery moved to put this item on the floor for passage. Mr. Scott seconded.

Motion passed 4-0

### **Citizen Comments**

None

### **Ordinances and Resolutions**

First Reading:

Resolution No. 2618-21

A Resolution setting rules for the Salary Commission. (May be passed on 1<sup>st</sup> reading). This was tabled at last meeting by Mr. Paul.

Various discussion occurred on the subject

President Hess declared the Resolution to have had a first reading.

Mr. Hess declared that Resolution 2433-21 had a first reading.

Second Reading:

None

Third Reading:

Ordinance No. 4553-21

An Ordinance accepting the annexation of two tracts totaling 1.378 acres, more or less, to the City of Urbana, Ohio.

Mr. Thackery moved to place the item on the floor for discussion and possible passage. Mr. Paul seconded.

Mr. Crabill explained that this item was to annex 2 homes on E Hwy 36 across from the O'Reilly auto parts store at 1675 & 1693 US Hwy 36. This will finalize the annexation process and being the 30 day required waiting period after which the annexation will be recorded and completed.

Mr. Hoffman inquired as to how far out of the city were these properties?

Mr. Crable responded that the annexation would extend the city limits by 2 properties towards Dugan Rd, but that S&L Lumber remained between the properties and Dugan and that the lumber yard remains in the county.

No further questions by Council.

President Hess called for a roll call on passage: Mr. Paul, yes; Mr. Scott, yes; Mr. Thackery, yes; Mr. Hoffman, yes

Ordinance passed 4-0

## **Committee Reports**

Safety Committee –

Mr. Thackery commented that the Safety Committee discussed the computer system transition, which was the item Council passed in Board of Control.

## **Miscellaneous Business**

Mr. Thackery – thanked Council Clerk Amy Deere for her service. Requested that Mr. Paul continue with his search for a digital voice record for Council and committee meetings.

Mr. Crabill commented that all 88 counties will have Water Ohio projects from the \$250,000,000 fund established recently. Urbana will get a project with a grant of \$2.85m that will be put towards the booster pump station at the park and extending the water main and replace the E Water St booster station. Consulting Engineering is working on the plans and attempting to go to bid in Jan-Feb 2022 with the project to finish up at the end of Summer 2022.

Mr. Brugger stated that the North Central Ohio Waste District meeting occurred the previous week. Will meet again in Jan 2022 which will work to create an overall plan. The Cemetery Tour sold out all 4 sessions held over the weekend and was enjoyed by all. Many thanks to Mr. Bry. The Inclusion Playground equipment and mulch are in. Took a look at the 1953 Centennial city celebration pictures and noticed how little space there was in the square compared to how much space there is now.

Mayor Bean thanked Amy Deere for her service. He encouraged everyone to attend the Veteran's Day memorial with speaker at the cemetery on November 11, which is Veteran's Day.

Mr. Hess mentioned that since joining the Electric Aggregation program his bill has decreased by 4¢. He asked if the recently completed Washington Ave paving/curb/gutter project met with curb standards. Mr. Brugger responded that, "yes, it did as curb heights also depend on street slope and

other factors.” Mr. Hess then asked why there are sections with no curb. Mr. Brugger responded that adequate funding was not available at the time and they will have to go back to finish these later.

Mr. Thackery moved to move to Executive Session. Mr. Scott seconded.

Motion passed 4-0

Executive session held. No business concluded.

Mr. Scott moved to adjourn Executive Session. Mr. Thackery seconded.

Motion passed 4-0

Meeting adjourned.