

**MINUTES OF THE REGULAR COUNCIL**  
**MEETING OF THE FOSTORIA CITY COUNCIL HELD (TUESDAY)**  
**SEPTEMBER 15th, 2020 AT 6:00 O’CLOCK P.M.**

Council Pro Tempora President Lake called the regular meeting to order at 6:00 p.m., via Zoom.

Invocation by a moment of silence.

Pledge of Allegiance.

All Councilpersons were in attendance.

It was moved by Councilperson Dillon and seconded by Councilperson Logsdon to excuse Council President Kauffman; passed by seven (7) votes; Council President Kauffman was excused.

It was moved by Councilperson Cassidy and seconded by Councilperson Shaver to approve the minutes of the regular City Council meeting; passed by seven (7) votes; minutes were approved.

**COMMUNICATION(S):** None.

**REPORT OF COMMITTEES**

**A. FINANCE COMMITTEE:**

Finance Committee met on September 15<sup>th</sup> prior to the Council Meeting, still waiting for the August books to be balanced and the Finance reporting has not been distributed yet. Councilmember Schuld thanked Holly for getting Zoom working. Councilperson Schuld stated that Holly reviewed the income tax reporting and the City is behind in 2019 collections of \$141,000.00 a break down of Business collections up by \$54,000.00, Residential collections down by \$79,000.00, Withholdings down by \$130,000.00 which makes up the negative \$141 compared to 2019.

**B. PUBLIC AFFAIRS COMMITTEE:**

No report.

**C. LAW AND ORDINANCE COMMITTEE:**

Met on September 15, 2020 @ 8:00 AM, Mr. Palmer was present and discussed changing Elm Street to a one way between Walnut and North Main Street to a 2-way street. A motion was made to remove the section regarding the dog warden be removed since the City does not have a dog warden and bicycle license ordinance be removed. Also discussed the Municipal home rule and the effects to the City. Golf carts in the City was also discussed and how other Cities Ordinances are written to this effect. Discussions were held regarding the intersection of Thomas and Union Street and what to do with the traffic light. Next meeting is scheduled for October 7<sup>th</sup>, 2020 at 8:00 AM on the front

lawn of the Municipal building, a Public Hearing will be on that same day to discuss changing Elm Street back to a 2 way street, one at 8:00 AM and another one at 6:30 PM.

**REPORT OF OFFICERS:**

**A. MAYOR:**

Mayor Keckler, announced the last and final Farmers Market scheduled for September 19, 2020 sponsored by Mennel Milling.

Mayor Keckler stated the Chamber of Commerce is hosting a noon ribbon cutting for an event called Fostoria Flavor that consists of scheduled events on Main Street downtown.

Mayor Keckler stated that a meeting took place regarding the bridge on Zeller Road and decided that it needed work, therefore the road is closed to traffic for repairs.

Mayor Keckler informed everyone about the street department crews was finishing up the painting of lines on streets.

Councilperson Cassidy asked about the concrete on Jones Road, Mayor Keckler acknowledged the concrete issue and made repairs.

Mayor Keckler also stated the water line projects happening, such as the one on Union Street looping to Woodland Avenue which will produce more water pressure.

**B. SAFETY-SERVICE DIRECTOR:**

Deb Hellman, discussed the water, this time of year the City experiences the Reservoir turnover due to the colder climate and the water is still safe.

Deb Hellman also stated that the airport bids will be read on September 17<sup>th</sup>.

Deb Hellman stated that in Finance she is working with all the supervisors regarding their department budgets and requested that they email their first review on September 17<sup>th</sup>.

Deb Hellman was also sent good news information from Great Lakes Community Action, also known as the CHIP Program literature speaking about the literature products at no charge to residents and also no cost repair assistance, this information will be on the City website.

**C. LAW DIRECTOR:**

Stephanie Kiser, stated she has been communicating with Councilperson Cassidy Council President Kauffman regarding the Charter Commission a discussion regarding this will take place in this Council meeting and thanked Councilperson Cassidy for sending out the guidelines.

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demotion, or compensation of a public employee or official

\_\_\_\_\_ -to consider the investigation of charges or complaints against a public employee,

official, licensee, or regulated individual

\_\_\_\_\_ -Purchase or sale of property

\_\_\_\_\_ -Pending or imminent court action

\_\_\_\_\_ -Collective bargaining matters

\_\_\_\_\_ -Matters required to be kept confidential

- \_\_\_\_\_ -Security matters
- \_\_\_\_\_ -Confidential business information of an applicant for economic development assistance

**E. DIRECTOR OF FINANCE**

Holly Cassady, no report, as she thanked Councilperson Schuld for his good reporting from the Finance Committee.

**F. PUBLIC:**

Councilperson Logsdon commented on the muddy tasting water. The SSD-Deb Hellman responded by stating that she has talked to the supervisor of the water plant in regards to this and what the City could do and the answer to this is “yes” and more research will be done regarding this issue. Mayor Keckler echoed this issue as well.

**OLD BUSINESS:**

Ordinance No: 2020-\_\_\_: To amend the traffic control map and file for the City of Fostoria, Ohio, and declaring an emergency. This constitutes a second reading of said ordinance.

**NEW BUSINESS:**

Ordinance No: 2020-\_\_\_: To amend the traffic control map and file for the City of Fostoria, Ohio, and declaring an emergency to exist. This constitutes a first reading of said ordinance.

**EXECUTIVE SESSION:**

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**MISCELLANEOUS BUSINESS:**

Councilperson Cassidy discussed the list of guidelines to the Charter Commission and announced that the email for the charter is [fostoriacharter2020@gmail.com](mailto:fostoriacharter2020@gmail.com). Councilperson Shaver said the applications for this Charter Commission done up by Councilperson Cassidy looked great and what a great job he has done with this keeping it simple. All applications need to be in by 5:00 PM on the 30<sup>th</sup>.

**ADJOURNMENT:**

It was moved by Councilperson Cassidy and seconded by Councilperson Dillon to adjourn; passed by seven (7) votes. Council adjourned at 6:31 P.M.

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Council President Kauffman  
of Fostoria City Council

Attest:

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Tamara L Drake  
Clerk of Council

Date