

**MINUTES OF THE REGULAR COUNCIL**  
**MEETING OF THE FOSTORIA CITY COUNCIL HELD (TUESDAY)**  
**DECEMBER 3RD, 2019 AT 6:00 O’CLOCK P.M.**

Council President Kauffman called the regular meeting to order at 6:05 p.m.

Invocation by a moment of silence.

Pledge of Allegiance.

It was moved by Councilperson Lake, seconded by Councilperson Hopple to excuse Councilperson Dillon; passed by six (6) votes, Councilperson Dillon were excused.

It was moved by Councilperson Shaver and seconded by Councilperson Logsdon to approve the amended minutes of the regular City Council meeting, to change the excused from Logsdon to Hopple ; passed by five (5) votes, abstained by Councilperson Hopple, amended minutes were approved.

**COMMUNICATION(S):** A report by the State of Ohio, Department of Commerce for the renewal of Liquor Licenses.

**REPORT OF COMMITTEES**

**A. FINANCE COMMITTEE:**  
No report.

**B. PUBLIC AFFAIRS COMMITTEE:**  
No report.

**C. LAW AND ORDINANCE COMMITTEE:**  
No report, met on November 20, 2019 at 8:00 A.M., Changes to street parking to one side only still under review and consideration. Ordinance 351.03 needs to be revised to clarify parking restriction with respect to driveways before changing streets. The following ordinances will be revised and sent to Law Director for review before presenting to Council. Hope to complete by next council meeting on Dec 3, 2019.

Ordinance 111.01 - Requests for and Establishing Fees for Copies of Public Records of the City,

Ordinance 121.01 - Council Meetings

Ordinance 165.01 - Residency Requirement

Suggested New revision to 121.01 council meeting ordinance to limit time to 10 minutes for people who are “on the agenda”. Public comments are already limited to 3 minutes. In both cases, the City Council President should have discretion to extend if council so wishes. *These changes need to be included in the review by the Law Director.*

Under new business discussed the following: Repeal the No Parking ordinances and remove signage for the schools that are being demolished. Ask State of Ohio about removing the St Wendelin HS signage on Countyline since it is closed.

Parkway and Thomas Streets to change from 1-way to 2-way. Revise the traffic map to reflect the street signage changes. Keep Van Buren & Vince school sign for FHS.

Animal Ordinance 505.21 is unclear and needs to be revised to help with Zoning Enforcement as Fostoria has no Dog Warden. Add definition for Service Animals, add limit of 6 chickens with no roosters, add permit requirement at no cost and clarify neighbor permission requirement based on distance.

Is the Digital Sign at FHS compliant with City sign ordinance?

**REPORT OF OFFICERS:**

**A. MAYOR:**

Mayor Keckler announced Community Events:

December 7<sup>th</sup>, 2019 from 9AM to 1PM, Kids Maker Market, sponsored by Chamber of Commerce, a map of the many projects and their locations were distributed.

December 7<sup>th</sup>, 2019 is from 10AM to 12:30PM is breakfast with Santa, also can drop off a donated toy, which seems to be 500 toys short.

December 7<sup>th</sup>, 2019 at 1:30 PM is the Christmas Rotary Parade, which immediately after the parade is the tree lighting ceremony on the City lawn with the help of the snow queen, communications with the Fostoria High School band director about the band performing on the City lawn for the tree lighting ceremony.

December 7<sup>th</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup>, 2019 at 3:00PM, is the new Holiday Sip and Shop at the Fostoria Learning Center, hosted by the Chamber of Commerce.

December 6<sup>th</sup> (not the 8<sup>th</sup>), 2019 at 7:00PM at the Fostoria Rail Preservation Society will be hosting wine and cheese at the Depot.

Mayor Keckler passed out hand outs of a few events he discussed above.

Mayor Keckler stated Ellen Gatrell decorated the Depot and anyone who has not been there should go.

Mayor Keckler also announced on Thursday December 12<sup>th</sup> from Noon to 5PM is the distribution of the toy drive at the YMCA.

Council President also added a lot of music events at the performing arts center over the next couple of weeks.

**B. SAFETY-SERVICE DIRECTOR:**

Deb Hellman discussed with Council the legislation regarding Chemical bids, needs passed as an emergency.

**C. LAW DIRECTOR:**

Stephanie Kiser apologized for the misunderstanding of the absent Councilmembers needed in order to vote and pass legislation at the last Council meeting, she also gave the breakdown of how many Councilmembers are needed in order to vote

and pass legislation. Discussions on the untabling of the legislation and whether there was any correct verbiage that should be used for this.

- \_\_\_\_\_ -Personnel matters, specifically:
- \_\_\_\_\_ -to consider the appointment, employment, dismissal, discipline, promotion, 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**

Absent.

**F. PUBLIC:**

Pete DiCesare, 1033 Kennedy Lane; talked about the Seneca County Commissioners meetings and stated that Fostoria is not mentioned in their meetings and the group decided it was time to attend another Council meeting, he also asked them to present to Council what there group was doing. He would like to see the Community get more involved. Mayor Keckler echoed with the fact that there is good communication between Fostoria and the Seneca County Commissioners.

Bill Sayre, 301 S. Main Street; he would like to our help our City as much as he can with different ideas and suggestions. Councilperson Schuld thanked him for wanting to help.

**OLD BUSINESS:**

Ordinance No.: 2019 - **47**: Establishing the Bridge Inspection Program Services and declaring an emergency to exist. This constitutes a third reading of said ordinance. Councilperson Shaver motioned to untable said ordinance, seconded by Councilperson Logsdon; passed by six (6) votes. Ordinance was untabled. It was moved by Councilperson Shaver, seconded by Councilperson Cassidy to adopt; passed by six (6) votes. The ordinance was adopted.

Ordinance No.: 2019 - **48**: Authorizing the use of a blanket purchase order for expenditures and setting the dollar limit and other criteria for such certification and declaring an emergency. This constitutes a third reading of said ordinance. Councilperson Shaver motion to untable said ordinance, seconded by Councilperson Logsdon; passed by six (6) votes. Ordinances was untabled. It was moved by Councilperson Shaver, seconded by Councilperson Logsdon to adopt; passed by six (6) votes. The ordinance was adopted.

Ordinance No.: 2019 - **49**: Allowing the City Auditor to deposit money in a financial institution within three days after receipt in accordance with Section 9.38, Ohio Revised Code, for the City of Fostoria, State of Ohio. This constitutes a third reading of said Ordinance. Councilperson Shaver motioned to untable said ordinance, seconded by Councilperson Logsdon; passed by six (6) votes. Ordinance was tabled. It was moved by Councilperson Lake, seconded by Councilperson Cassidy to adopt; passed by six (6) votes. The ordinance was adopted.

Ordinance No.: 2019 - **50**: Authorizing all actions necessary to accept Northeast Ohio Public Energy Council (NOPEC) 2019 Energized Community Grant Funds. This constitutes the second reading of said ordinance. This constitutes a third reading of said ordinance. Councilperson Shaver motioned to untable the ordinance, seconded by Councilperson Logsdon; passed by six (6) votes. Ordinance was tabled. It was moved by Councilperson Cassidy, seconded by Councilperson Logsdon to adopt; passed by six (6) votes. The ordinance was adopted.

Resolution No. 2019- **51**: A Resolution authorizing the acceptance/approval to enter into a Water Pollution Control Loan Fund (WPCLF) Agreement for supplemental design and construction services of the CSO #2 and #3 Elimination Project, otherwise publicized as the LTCP Improvements, Phase 1 Project; and designating a dedicated repayment source for the loan and declaring an emergency to exist. This constitutes a third reading of said resolution. It was moved by Councilperson Hopple, seconded by Councilperson Cassidy to adopt; passed by six (6) votes. The resolution was adopted.

Ordinance No: 2019-\_\_\_\_: 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.

Ordinance No.: 2019- **52**: Authorizing the Director of Public Service and Safety to advertise for bids to purchase chemicals for water and wastewater treatment, according to specifications on file in the office of said Director, to accept the bid of the lowest and best bidder, to contract with the same and declaring an emergency to exist. This constitutes a second reading of said ordinance. It was moved by Councilperson Logsdon, seconded by Councilperson Shaver to suspend the three-reading rule; passed by six (6) votes. It was moved by Councilperson Lake, seconded by Councilperson Hopple to adopt; passed by six (6) votes. The ordinance was adopted.

Ordinance No.: 2019 - \_\_\_\_: Adopting an Amendment to the Financial Recovery Plan for the City of Fostoria, Ohio, and declaring an emergency to exist. This constitutes a second reading of said ordinance.

Ordinance No.: 2019 - \_\_\_\_: Establishing the Fiscal Year 2020 permanent appropriations and declaring an emergency to exist. This constitutes a second reading of said ordinance.

**NEW BUSINESS:**

Ordinance No.: 2019 - **53**: Adopting and Amending ordinance No. 2018-64 (Permanent 2019 Appropriations) by appropriating from unappropriated funds in the General Fund and declaring an emergency. This constitutes a first reading of said ordinance. It was moved by Councilperson Shaver, seconded by Councilperson Lake to suspend the three-reading rule; passed by six (6) votes. It was moved by Councilperson Hopple, seconded by Councilperson Logsdon to adopt; passed by six (6) votes. The ordinance was adopted.

**EXECUTIVE SESSION:**

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**MISCELLANEOUS BUSINESS:**

Councilperson Hopple announced the next Law & Ordinance meeting will be scheduled for December 11, 2019 at 8:00 AM.

Councilperson Schuld announced the next Finance meeting will be scheduled for December 16, 2019 at 4:00 PM.

**ADJOURNMENT:**

It was moved by Councilperson Cassidy and seconded by Councilperson Logson to adjourn; passed by six (6) votes. Council adjourned at 6:38 PM.

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Council President, Steve Kauffman of  
Fostoria City Council

Attest:

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Tamara L Drake  
Clerk of Council

Date