

Record of Proceedings

Regular Council Meeting

May 10, 2018

Presiding Officer, Mayor Joseph Migliorini called the May 10 regular meeting to order at 7:30 p.m.

Present: Mayor Joseph Migliorini and Council members' Kevin Bilkie, Jessica Brandt, Nick Molnar, Jan Tulley and Vini J. Ventura; Law Director Mark Guidetti and Council Clerk Josephine Arceci.

Absent:

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE & INVOCATION by City Chaplin Commander Tom O'Brien, Nordonia Hills American Legion 801.

MINUTES Mr. Molnar moved, Mr. Ventura seconded and motion carried unanimously on a voice vote to approve the minutes of regular meeting of April 26, 2018.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

~**Sylvia Hanneken, 1039 Hampton Court** announced on Saturday, April 28 postal carriers during delivery routes will also be collecting canned goods from residents of the Nordonia Hills area on behalf of the Emergency Assistance Center. This time of the year is particularly hard for the EAC Ms. Hanneken stated because shelves are typically bare but the need to dispense food is still there. Regarding other matters Ms. Hanneken expressed disappointment that meetings of the Charter Review Commission have not been video recorded to view online. Ms. Hanneken also expressed disappointment that net profit taxes have flattened which she added has been the trend over the last three years and that giving up the 1 mill fire levy would in essence be giving up the 12.5% rollback the City receives from the state. Ms. Hanneken complained that a public records request she made in April has yet to be fulfilled.

INTRODUCTION, READINGS & ADOPTION OF LEGISLATION

ORD. NO. 40-2018

Mr. Ventura moved, Ms. Brandt seconded and motion carried unanimously on voice vote **to hold at its second reading ORD. NO. 40-2018: AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 1135 OF THE CODIFIED ORDINANCES OF THE CITY OF MACEDONIA REGARDING THE BOARD OF ZONING AND BUILDING CODE APPEALS.**[First reading, March 8, 2018]

ORD. NO. 61 -2018

AN ORDINANCE CONFIRMING THE FINAL APPOINTMENT BY THE MAYOR OF EDWARD MANNEY TO THE POSITION OF FULL-TIME FIREFIGHTER/PARAMEDICA was **offered** by Mr. Bilkie and moved Council waive the requirement that it be read by title on three different days, instructing the Clerk to read it for **all three readings by title only**. Second by Mr. Molnar carried unanimously on a voice vote.

Mr. Bilkie moved, Mr. Molnar seconded, and motion carried unanimously on a voice vote **to adopt ORD. NO. 61-2018** and post according to law. **ORD. NO. 61-2018 declared adopted**

Record of Proceedings

Regular Council Meeting

May 10, 2018

ORD. NO. 62 -2018

AN EMERGENCY ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING AND DIRECTING THE MAYOR TO ENTER INTO AN AGREEMENT WITH THE OHIO DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION ENABLING THE CITY OF MACEDONIA TO PARTICIPATE IN ODOT'S CONTRACT (18-19) FOR THE PURCHASE OF ROAD SALT FOR THE 2018-2019 WINTER SEASON was **offered** by Mr. Molnar and moved Council waive the requirement that it be read by title on three different days, instructing the Clerk to read it **for all three readings by title only**. Second by Mr. Bilkie carried unanimously on a voice vote.

Mr. Molnar moved, Mr. Ventura seconded, and motion carried unanimously on a voice vote **to adopt ORD. NO. 62-2018** and post according to law. **ORD. NO. 62-2018 declared adopted**

ORD. NO. 63- 2018

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING ORDINANCE NO. 97-2017 RELATIVE TO THE ANNUAL APPROPRIATIONS FOR ADDITIONAL EXPENDITURES OF THE CITY OF MACEDONIA FOR THE PERIOD OF JANUARY 1, 2018 TO DECEMBER 31, 2018 was **offered** by Mr. Bilkie and moved Council waive the requirement that it be read by title on three different days, instructing the Clerk to read it **for all three readings by title only**. Second by Mr. Molnar carried unanimously on a voice vote.

Mr. Bilkie moved, Mr. Molnar seconded, and motion carried unanimously on a voice vote **to adopt ORD. NO. 63-2018** and post according to law. **ORD. NO. 63-2018 declared adopted**

48-Hour Rule...Mr. Ventura moved, Mr. Molnar seconded and motion carried unanimously on a voice vote to waive the 48-Hour Rule of Council relative to ORD. NO. 64- 2018.

ORD. NO. 64-2018

AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING AND DIRECTING THE MAYOR TO ENTER INTO A CONTRACT WITH CATTS CONSTRUCTION, INC., FOR CERTAIN WATER MAIN IMPROVEMENTS ALONG SHEPARD HILLS BOULEVARD AND ROBIN LANE was **offered** by Mr. Ventura and moved Council waive the requirement that the ordinance be read by title on three different days, instructing the Clerk to read it **for all three readings by title only**. Second by Mr. Molnar carried unanimously on a voice vote.

Mr. Ventura moved, Mr. Bilkie seconded, and motion carried unanimously on a voice vote **to adopt ORD. NO. 64-2018** and post according to law. **ORD. NO. 64-2018 declared adopted**

48-Hour Rule...Ms. Brandt moved, Mr. Bilkie seconded and motion carried unanimously on a voice vote to waive the 48-Hour Rule of Council relative to ORD. NO. 65- 2018.

ORD. NO. 65- 2018

AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO ENTER INTO A CONTRACT WITH HUMANA, INC., FOR DENTAL INSURANCE FOR ELIGIBLE EMPLOYEES BEGINNING JUNE 1, 2018 was offered by Ms. Brandt and moved Council waive the requirement that the ordinance be read by title on three different days, instructing the Clerk to read it **for all three readings by title only**. Second by Mr. Ventura carried unanimously on a voice vote.

Record of Proceedings

Regular Council Meeting

May 10, 2018

Ms. Brandt moved, Mr. Bilkie seconded, and motion carried unanimously on a voice vote **to adopt ORD. NO. 65-2018** and post according to law. **ORD. NO. 65-2018 declared adopted**

MOTIONS AND/OR OTHER LEGISLATIVE ACTION

~Council President Molnar moved, Mr. Ventura seconded and motion carried by majority vote to cancel the regular meetings of June 28, July 12 and August 23 for the purpose of summer recess with the intent of calling special meetings if needed; Council Bilkie dissented. [Mr. Bilkie would have preferred June 14 meeting would have been canceled instead of the June 28 meeting]

CORRESPONDENCE None

MAYOR'S REPORT

~Mayor Migliorini expressed disappointment that Issue 9, increasing the income tax rate by .25% failed at the ballot on May 8. The Mayor feels many residents were unsure or confused about facts related to the increase. Many residents did know or understand that had the income levy passed the 1 mill fire levy would not have been renewed, nor did they realize the ¼% increase was specifically earmarked for only three departments: fire, police and service. Continuing the Mayor stated many residents are unaware that Macedonia's property tax rate, one of the lowest in Summit County has not increased since the 1960's and that Macedonia only receives 9.3% of every property tax dollar. For this reason income tax revenue is considered the life blood to the City. The annual cost to maintain services to every residence is approximately \$2900 the Mayor stated of which only about \$234 is derived from real estate tax dollars. This is reason stronger income tax base is needed. The City needs a healthier generation of income tax dollars to continue and improve services for Macedonia's resident. Communities that offer many and varied services have a strong income tax base. This is the administration's goal. To have a strong base as to eliminate reliance on property taxes that the City must share with the schools, the county and other special programs. The Mayor encouraged residents d have the same goal because a community is only as good as the services provided the Mayor added.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Charter Review Commission Ms. Brandt announced the CRC will meet for one last time on or before May 14. The exact date and time will be posted on the master calendar on the City's website at least 24-hours in advance of said meeting.

Northfield-Macedonia Cemetery Board Ms. Tulley announced that the NMCB is meeting Monday, May 14 at 5 p.m. to discuss and finalize the cemetery's budget for 2018-2019. The Joint Board of elected officials representing the communities who financially support the cemetery through an annual assessment; Northfield Village, Northfield Center, Sagamore Hills and Macedonia will meet for their annual meeting in Macedonia Council Chambers on Thursday, May 24 at 7p.m. to review and approve the budget.

Record of Proceedings

Regular Council Meeting

May 10, 2018

A brief discussion ensued about the condition of wrought iron fence surrounding the cemetery; the oldest portion that is unrepairable and the newer portion that is just weather worn and a portion of cemetery dedicated to the earlier settlers of the area as well as graves relocated from Brandywine Falls Cemetery to the Northfield-Macedonia Cemetery when the cemetery was called Chestnut Hill..

DEPARTMENT REPORTS

Service Department Director Hnottavange announced that the Nordonia Hills Garden Club is hosting its annual plant sale this Saturday, May 12 from 9 am to noon at 9683 Valley View Road, the former fire station.

Councilor Bilkie thanked Mr. Hnottavange for moving the stop sign at Twinsburg and Walters Road to provide more visibility for Waters Road east and west bound motorists.

Building Commissioner

Engineer Mr. Gigliotti was not present.

Recreation Department Ms. Manley announced presale tickets for the Spirit of Macedonia Fun Fest running from Thursday, June 7 through Sunday, June 10 are now available through the start of the 4 day event. Presale cost of the all day \$20 ticket is \$15. Ms. Manley also announced information about summer programming like Summer Day Camp, Tee B-Ball, and the City's city-wide garage sale as well as the Manta Ray Swim Team is online. Ms. Manley mentioned that older equipment no longer useful to the Recreation Center is on sale at online auction site Govdeals.com. Ms. Manley also mentioned as a reminder that funding Recreation Center renovation is coming from residual tax dollars from previous income tax revenue specifically earmarked for the Rec Center.

A brief discussion ensued about of NEORSD possibility having a hands-on display during the Spirit of Macedonia Fun Fest.

Finance Department Director Hall reported to date 301 refunds have been issued at a cost so far of \$35,465.79. R.I.T.A has 75 tax returns yet to finalize, another 50 have to be approved, another 11 were not eligible, 3 remain under review and 1 applicant donated funds to the Parks & Rec Fund Ms. Hall added. Relative to Ord. No. 63-2018, amending the annual appropriations, Ms. Hall mentioned that portion of the ordinance pertaining to the Shepard Hills/Robin Lane water main project will be totally reimbursed by the City of Cleveland Division of Water. The other amount, the \$1.3 million Note/Bond issuance for phase 2 of the road program will be reimbursed by bond proceeds.

A brief discussion ensued about the timetable relative to application for a tax refund and finance department processes relative to the same.

Fire Department Chief Black had no report.

Record of Proceedings

Regular Council Meeting

May 10, 2018

Police Department Chief Golden reminded residents that Ledge Road closures are determined by Northfield Village as the village is lead on this project. The change in traffic pattern will be posted as they occur. The contractor trying to expedite the road project so the road is accessible before school reconvenes in September.

Councilor Ventura commended police and fire personnel relative to assistance each department provided respectively to an elderly neighbor of Mr. Ventura's.

Law Department Law Director Guidetti had no report.

Unfinished business Councilor Bilkie announced that he will be hosting for the next "Council Office Hours" on May 24 at 6 p.m. instead of the normal time of 6:30 p.m., in order accommodate the Joint Cemetery Board meeting at 7 p.m. Mr. Bilkie will not be in attendance for the June 14 council meeting.

New business Council President Molnar reminded residents that curb replacement is a time consuming process. Mr. Molnar also reminded residents that this year's paving program will take all season to complete in part because of the number of roads being repaired and because road repair is a lengthy four step process. Relative to cold in- place recycling Mr. Molnar explained that a recycling machine mills the road and an emulsion (binding agent) is added to the mill. The new mill is then applied to road which is allowed to cure, weather dependent for about three weeks after which the road is proof rolled to determine imperfections, i.e., soft spots. Full-depth repairs are performed to faulty spots. The next application of asphalt is called the intermediate course. The surface course is the last of the layers to be applied Mr. Molnar stated.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

At 8:25 p.m., Mr. Molnar moved, Mr. Bilkie seconded and motion carried unanimously on a voice vote to convene into Executive Session for the purpose of personnel pursuant to CO 161.22 (g)(1).

At 8:50 p.m., Council reconvened to its regular meeting and there being no further business the meeting was adjourned by the majority on voice vote at 8:51p.m.