The regular meeting of the Bowling Green City Council, held in the Council Chamber, 304 North Church Street, Bowling Green, Ohio was called to order at 7:05 p.m. by Council President Aspacher. The meeting began with the Pledge of Allegiance.

On roll call, Council Members Aspacher, Gavarone, Gordon, Jeffers, McOmber, Rowland and Zanfardino responded. Also present were Mayor Richard Edwards, Municipal Administrator Lori Tretter, City Attorney Michael Marsh, Public Works Director Brian Craft, Utilities Director Brian O'Connell, Planning Director Heather Sayler, and Parks and Recreation Director Kristin Otley.

Council Member Rowland moved, Jeffers seconded, to approve the minutes of the regular meeting held June 15, 2015 as distributed. Council President Aspacher declared motion carried.

CORRESPONDENCE

Clerk Kay Scherreik noted that a listing of budget transfers for the month of July was received from Finance Director Brian Bushong and distributed to Council prior to the meeting for approval. Council Member McOmber moved, Gavarone seconded, to approve the transfers as presented. On unanimous voice vote, Council President Aspacher declared motion carried. A copy of the transfers is attached and made a part of these minutes.

Clerk noted for the record that copies of the Budget Summary Report for the month of June 2015 was distributed to Council prior to this evening's meeting.

OFFICIAL REPORTS

Mayor Dick Edwards introduced members of the Bicycle Safety Commission who presented the annual "Bicycle Spokesperson of the Year" award to Linda Kidd. Mayor Edwards also presented a Certificate of Appreciation to Tom Vanden Eynden for his 10 years of service on the Bicycle Safety Commission.

Mayor Edwards introduced Dick Hutchinson, General Manager for Frontier Communications, who presented Barbara Ruland, Executive Director of Downtown BG, a check for $5,000. Mayor Edwards explained that the City entered into a collaborative grant-writing effort with BGSU and Downtown BG in a national competition for America's Best Cities. The contest was sponsored by Frontier Communications. Even though the City came up short in its presentation, Frontier felt that applicants should not leave the competition empty handed.

The Mayor noted that several citizens have asked him recently about the implementation of the "complete street" ordinance initiative which will receive its final reading this evening. Mayor Edwards indicated that he would like to meet with Council President Aspacher, Transportation & Safety Committee Chair John Zanfardino, and Municipal Administrator Lori Tretter to discuss the formation of a study group and/or a process for moving forward with the concept of complete streets in the hopes of having a more detailed report and plan of action to City Council at an upcoming meeting.

Mayor Edwards reported that he is joining with Mayor David Berger of Lima, Mayor Lydia Milhalik of Findlay and other public officials in expressing collective hopes for some type of accommodation that will ensure that WBGU-TV will stay on the air in the future. The fate of WBGU-TV is an item of considerable concern for our respective cities and the 19-county viewing region. Mayor Edwards said that they have been assured that public hearings at different locations in NW Ohio will be scheduled in the future.

Mayor Edwards requested confirmation of the following appointments and re-appointments to City Boards and Commissions:

Re-appointments:

Board/Commission	Name of Appointee	Term Length	Term Exp.
Income Tax Board of Review	Gaylyn Finn	3 Years	5/31/18
Bicycle Safety Commission	Eileen Baker	3 Years	5/31/18
Human Relations Commission	Cameron Stewart	1 Year	5/31/16
Reinvestment Housing Council	Dick Newlove	3 Years	5/31/18
	Rob Holley	3 Years	5/31/18
	Christine Connell	3 Years	5/31/18
Transportation Advisory Committee	Aaron Kane	3 Years	5/31/18
	Brad Biller	3 Years	5/31/18
	Vic Gable	3 Years	5/31/18

New Appointments

Board/Commission	Name of Appointee	Term Length	Term Exp.
Parks & Recreation Board	Jon Laabs	5 Years	5/31/20
Human Relations Commission	Akiko Jones	3 Years	5/31/18

Council Member Rowland moved, Zanfardino seconded, to approve the appointments as presented by the Mayor. On unanimous voice vote, Council President Aspacher declared motion carried.

Municipal Administrator Lori Tretter thanked all those involved with the successful 4th of July fireworks display and announced street closures for the upcoming annual car show being held this upcoming weekend.

Planning Director Heather Sayler had no report.

Parks and Recreation Director Kristin Otley updated Council regarding upcoming Parks & Recreation events. Otley also reported that two large trees were lost at Ridge Park due to the recent rains received and noted that this will change the actual layout of the playground at the park.

City Attorney Michael Marsh had no report.

Utilities Director Brian O'Connell reported that the City experienced combined sewer overflow issues due to the 4" of rain received last week. O'Connell also explained that the power outage experienced on July 4 was due to a squirrel and power was restored within a reasonably short period of time.

Public Works Director Brian Craft updated Council on current roadway projects. Craft also reported that the City will be participating in ODOT's deicing salt contract and obtained a price of $49.19/ton which is considerably lower than the price paid last year. Craft noted that the contract is with Detroit Salt and the City has agreed to purchase 1200 tons. Craft further reported that ODOT has selected Bowling Green for a pilot programs to study pedestrian safety to see what can be done to enhance pedestrian crossings. The study will include streets around the campus as well as some streets located in the downtown area.

NEW LEGISLATION

The following new legislation was recommended by the Administration and presented to Council for introduction:

Council Member McOmber, for the Finance Committee, introduced a resolution transferring previously appropriated funds.

Council Member McOmber, for the Finance Committee, introduced an ordinance providing supplemental appropriations for the current expenses and other expenditures of the City of Bowling Green, Ohio, during the fiscal year beginning January 1, 2015 and ending December 31, 2015.

Council Member McOmber, for the Finance Committee, introduced an ordinance amending and adopting Section 33.07 of the Codified Ordinances of the City of Bowling Green, Ohio, regarding pre-employment medical examination and drug screening, and declaring an emergency.

Council Member McOmber, for the Finance Committee, introduced an ordinance #8441 amending and adopting Section 33.01(G) of the Codified Ordinances of the City of Bowling Green, Ohio, to create the job classification Parks and Recreation Business Office Supervisor.

Council Member Jeffers, for the Planning, Zoning and Economic Development Committee, introduced an ordinance amending the Zoning District Map of the City of Bowling Green, Ohio, for the property generally known as 530 East Wooster Street and 111-115 Railroad Street from B-2 General Commercial to B-5 Transitional Central Business District zoning classification.

Council Member Jeffers, for the Planning, Zoning and Economic Development Committee, introduced an ordinance assenting to the detachment of property owned by the Northwest Ohio Tractor Pullers Association from the City of Bowling Green to Plain Township.

COUNCIL COMMITTEE REPORTS

Council Member Jeffers announced that the public hearings for Ordinance #8431 & #8433 have been rescheduled for August 3, 2015 at 6:30 p.m.

LOBBY VISITATIONS

Steve Doyle, 1047 Lindenwood Lane, addressed Council regarding rezoning requests on the agenda along E. Wooster Street. Mr. Doyle suggested that some sort of identification should be noted as to who is requesting properties be rezoned and who is benefiting from the rezoning. Council Member Jeffers responded that everything related to the rezoning application is public information and is provided at the public hearing that is held by the Planning Commission and City Council.

Les Barber, 303 N. Prospect Street, asked if Council considered exempting the single family, owner-occupied residences from the renewal of the Central Business District Special Improvement District (SID). City Attorney Michael Marsh responded that the SID must be defined by a geographic location and that owners of residential properties located within the SID can apply for an exemption from the SID. Those who apply for an exemption will be heard by an Equalization Board. Marsh noted that this is how it has been handled in the past as this is the third renewal of the SID.

Sandy Wiechman, 807 E. Gypsy Lane Road, Coordinator of Wood County Safe Communities, addressed Council offering assistance that the group can provide as the City moves forward with the "complete streets" efforts.

Barbara Ruland, Downtown BG, commented on the upcoming annual Classics on Main Car Show being held this Saturday, July 11, noting that volunteers are still needed.

READING OF LEGISLATION

Clerk read Resolution #3596 transferring previously appropriated funds, for first reading.

Council Member McOmber moved, Rowland seconded, to suspend the rules and give Resolution #3596 its second and third reading. On roll call vote, Council Members Gavarone, Gordon, Jeffers, McOmber, Rowland, Zanfardino, and Aspacher voted yes. Council President Aspacher declared motion carried, and rules suspended.

Clerk read Resolution #3596 for second and third reading by number and title only.

Council Member McOmber moved, Rowland seconded, to adopt Resolution #3596. On roll call vote, Council Members Gordon, Jeffers, McOmber, Rowland, Zanfardino, Aspacher, and Gavarone voted yes. Council President Aspacher declared motion carried, and Resolution #3596 adopted.

Clerk read Ordinance #8437 providing supplemental appropriations for the current expenses and other expenditures of the City of Bowling Green, Ohio, during the fiscal year beginning January 1, 2015 and ending December 31, 2015, for first reading.

Council Member McOmber moved, Jeffers seconded, to suspend the rules and give Ordinance #8437 its second and third reading. On roll call vote, Council Members Jeffers, McOmber, Rowland, Zanfardino, Aspacher, Gavarone, and Gordon voted yes. Council President Aspacher declared motion carried, and rules suspended.

Clerk read Ordinance #8437 for second and third reading by number and title only.

Council Member McOmber moved, Rowland seconded, to adopt Ordinance #8437. On roll call vote, Council Members McOmber, Rowland, Zanfardino, Aspacher, Gavarone, Gordon, and Jeffers voted yes. Council President Aspacher declared motion carried, and Ordinance #8437 adopted.

Clerk read Ordinance #8438 amending and adopting Section 33.07 of the Codified Ordinances of the City of Bowling Green, Ohio, regarding pre-employment medical examination and drug screening, and declaring an emergency, for first reading.

Council Member McOmber moved, Gavarone seconded, to suspend the rules and give Ordinance #8438 its second and third reading. On roll call vote, Council Members Rowland, Zanfardino, Aspacher, Gavarone, Gordon, Jeffers, and McOmber voted yes. Council President Aspacher declared motion carried, and rules suspended.

Clerk read Ordinance #8438 for second and third reading by number and title only.

Council Member McOmber moved, Jeffers seconded to adopt the emergency clause for Ordinance #8438. On roll call vote, Council Members Zanfardino, Aspacher, Gavarone, Gordon, Jeffers, McOmber, and Rowland voted yes. Council President Aspacher declared motion carried, and the emergency clause adopted.

Council Member McOmber moved, Gavarone seconded, to adopt Ordinance #8438. On roll call vote, Council Members Aspacher, Gavarone, Gordon, Jeffers, McOmber, Rowland, and Zanfardino voted yes. Council President Aspacher declared motion carried, and Ordinance #8438 adopted.

Clerk read Ordinance #8439 amending the Zoning District Map of the City of Bowling Green, Ohio, for the property generally known as 530 East Wooster Street and 111-115 Railroad Street from B-2 General Commercial to B-5 Transitional Central Business District zoning classification, for first reading.

Council Member Jeffers announced that a public hearing will be held regarding Ordinance #8439 on Monday, August 17, 2015, at 6:45 p.m. in the Council Chamber.

Clerk read Ordinance #8440 assenting to the detachment of property owned by the Northwest Ohio Tractor Pullers Association from the City of Bowling Green to Plain Township, for first reading.

Clerk read Ordinance #8441 amending and adopting Section 33.01(G) of the Codified Ordinances of the City of Bowling Green, Ohio, to create the job classification Parks and Recreation Business Office Supervisor.

Council Member McOmber moved, Rowland seconded, to suspend the rules and give Ordinance #8441 its second and third reading. On roll call vote, Council Members Gavarone, Gordon, Jeffers, McOmber, Rowland, Zanfardino, and Aspacher voted yes. Council President Aspacher declared motion carried, and rules suspended.

Clerk read Ordinance #8441 for second and third reading by number and title only.

Council Member McOmber moved, Rowland seconded, to adopt Ordinance #8441. On roll call vote, Council Members Gordon, Jeffers, McOmber, Rowland, Zanfardino, Aspacher, and Gavarone voted yes. Council President Aspacher declared motion carried, and Ordinance #8441 adopted.

Clerk read Ordinance #8429 for cleaning of streets by special assessment, for second reading.

Clerk read Ordinance #8430 amending and adopting Section 33.03(A) of the Codified Ordinances of the City of Bowling Green, Ohio, relating to pay for school police, interns, and civil infractions hearing officer, for second reading.

Clerk read Ordinance #8431 amending the Zoning District Map of the City of Bowling Green, Ohio, for the property generally known as 425 East Wooster Street from B-2 General Commercial to B-5 Transitional Central Business District zoning classification, for second reading.

Clerk read Ordinance #8432 accepting annexation of approximately 1.25 acres of land in Plain Township, Wood County, Ohio, from BG Road West, LLC, petitioner, for second reading.

Clerk read Ordinance #8433 establishing interim zoning of A-1 Agricultural for the property recently annexed to the City of Bowling Green, as petitioned for by BG Road West, LLC, for second reading.

Clerk read Ordinance #8434 establishing boundaries of Community Reinvestment Area Number 4 in the City of Bowling Green and designating a Housing Officer to administer the program and creating a Community Housing Council and Tax Incentive Review Council, and declaring an emergency, for second reading.

Clerk read Ordinance #8435 amending and adopting Section 114.15(A) of the Codified Ordinances of the City of Bowling Green, Ohio, regarding vehicle inspection, license, and maintenance, for second reading.

Clerk read Ordinance #8436 accepting deeds and/or easements related to the North Main Street improvement project, and dedicating said properties for right-of-way and municipal purposes, for second reading.

Clerk read Resolution #3590 adopting the Estimate of Revenues for the year 2016, for third reading.

Council Member McOmber moved, Zanfardino seconded, to adopt Resolution #3590. On roll call vote, Council Members Jeffers, McOmber, Rowland, Zanfardino, Aspacher, Gavarone, and Gordon voted yes. Council President Aspacher declared motion carried, and Resolution #3590 adopted.

Clerk read Resolution #3591 authorizing the filing of a proposal(s) and/or application(s) with the Ohio Department of Transportation for grants through the US DOT Federal Transit Administration (FTA), as authorized under Federal Transit Laws, as Codified, 49 USC Section 5311, financial assistance for other than urbanized areas and funds available from the Ohio Public Transportation Grant program, executing a contract/grant for the FY 2016 Ohio Elderly and Disabled Transit Fare Assistance program, and executing a contract with the Ohio Department of Transportation upon grant proposal and/or application acceptance, for third reading.

Council Member Gordon moved, Zanfardino seconded, to adopt Resolution #3591. On roll call vote, Council Members McOmber, Rowland, Zanfardino, Aspacher, Gavarone, Gordon, and Jeffers voted yes. Council President Aspacher declared motion carried, and Resolution #3591 adopted.

Clerk read Resolution #3594 to express support of the complete streets initiative, for third reading.

Council Member Zanfardino moved, Rowland seconded, to adopt Resolution #3594.

Council Member Gavarone commented indicating that it's important that Council recognize the difficulties of retrofitting streets that may not be wide enough to safely accommodate cars, bicyclists and pedestrian traffic. Gavarone also wanted to acknowledge the efforts that the City has been making in accommodating all forms of transportation, including the wider sidewalks that were included in the North Main Street project.

Council Member Rowland noted that the "complete streets" is going to be a long process and will be ongoing with each roadway project that is undertaken now and in the future. Rowland indicated that it is important that the City provides safe streets for all bicyclists, all walkers and all vehicles. She also asserted that making streets safer for bicyclists and walkers is essential to attracting young people to settle in the community.

Council Member Jeffers commented that he supports the "complete streets" concept and feels that it is in line with the City's Master Plan. Jeffers indicated that there are ways of achieving the goals of "complete streets" without remaking the streets such as making some streets one-way and/or eliminating parking to provide more room, both of which would cause some inconvenience and perhaps controversy.

Council Member Zanfardino noted that he feels the resolution is a good start towards the "complete streets" concept, but had hoped Council would have passed an ordinance that had more direction and authority to it. Zanfardino indicated that costs can be looked at as prohibitive or can be looked at as variable with each street project. He said that as the City proceeds with this concept, that he would like the City to look at each street as it comes up for repaving and see what the costs/benefits are with the projects.

Council Member Gordon noted that it is the goal of the Transportation & Safety Committee to develop a full ordinance regarding "complete streets." Gordon indicated that he doesn't see this resolution as a substitute for an ordinance, but as an incremental step towards the end goal. Gordon commented that since costs have been brought up, he doesn't believe that cost concerns should hold Council back because the reality is that any financial costs that we have in the short term are truly out-weighed by the long term costs of inaction. Businesses are going to lose money when customers cannot bike or walk safely to their establishments; the city loses money when prospective homeowners decide to live elsewhere because other towns may have bike lanes or multi-use paths; and talent is also lost when we don't give young people the amenities they desire in a community, particularly a college town.

Council Member McOmber noted that he supports the concept of "complete streets" and supports the resolution but feels that getting from the resolution to an ordinance is a fairly wide chasm and that he reserves the right to evaluate any ordinance and make a decision at that time whether or not he can support it.

On roll call vote, Council Members Rowland, Zanfardino, Aspacher, Gavarone, Gordon, Jeffers, and McOmber voted yes. Council President Aspacher declared motion carried, and Resolution #3594 adopted.

Clerk read Ordinance #8424 authorizing the Municipal Administrator and the Utilities Director to advertise for bids and enter into a contract or contracts for the supplying and cleaning of uniforms for the Public Works Department and the Utilities Department, for third reading.

Council Member McOmber moved, Rowland seconded, to adopt Ordinance #8424. On roll call vote, Council Members Zanfardino, Aspacher, Gavarone, Gordon, Jeffers, McOmber, and Rowland voted yes. Council President Aspacher declared motion carried, and Ordinance #8424 adopted.

Clerk read Ordinance #8425 certifying unpaid cost of snow removal to the County Auditor for placement on the tax duplicate, for third reading.

Council Member McOmber moved, Rowland seconded, to adopt Ordinance #8425. On roll call vote, Council Members Aspacher, Gavarone, Gordon, Jeffers, McOmber, Rowland, and Zanfardino voted yes. Council President Aspacher declared motion carried, and Ordinance #8425 adopted.

Clerk read Ordinance #8426 amending the Zoning District Map of the City of Bowling Green, Ohio, for 0.96 acres at 434 East Wooster Street from B-2 General Commercial to B-5 Transitional Central Business District zoning classification, for third reading.

Council Member Jeffers moved, Gavarone seconded, to adopt Ordinance #8426. On roll call vote, Council Members Gavarone, Gordon, Jeffers, McOmber, Rowland, Zanfardino, and Aspacher voted yes. Council President Aspacher declared motion carried, and Ordinance #8426 adopted.

Clerk read Ordinance #8428 accepting an easement from Turkleton Properties, LLC and Nathan M. Downey and Jennifer A. Downey, and dedicating said property for municipal purposes, for third reading.

Council Member Aspacher moved, Gordon seconded, to adopt Ordinance #8428. On roll call vote, Council Members Gordon, Jeffers, McOmber, Rowland, Zanfardino, Aspacher, and Gavarone voted yes. Council President Aspacher declared motion carried, and Ordinance #8428 adopted.

Council Member Zanfardino moved, Gavarone seconded, to adjourn. On unanimous voice vote, Council President Aspacher adjourned the July 6, 2015 regular meeting of the City Council at 8:38 p.m., subject to call.

Kay D. Scherreik, Clerk of Council

Michael Aspacher, President of Council

THE CITY OF
BOWLING GREEN
Ohio

July 6, 2015

TO: Bowling Green City Council

FROM: Brian Bushong, Finance Director

Transfers requested for the month of July include:

Fund	Dept.	Account	Description	From	To
1010	190	92300	General, Miscellaneous, Transfer To Debt Service	$ 16,765.17	
3025	000	69410	Debt Service, Revenue, Transfer From General		$ 16,765.17
1010	190	92400	General, Miscellaneous, Transfer To Capital Projects	$ 2,665.00	
4030	000	69410	Green Space Acquisition Fund, Revenue, Transfer From General		$ 2,665.00
1010	190	92200	General, Miscellaneous, Transfer To Special Revenue	$ 3,569.50	
2021	000	69410	ODOT Transportation Grant (Taxi), Revenue, Transfer From General		$ 3,569.50
2078	170	92300	Municipal Court Special Projects, Municipal Court, Transfer To Debt Service	$ 6,833.33	
3025	000	69420	Debt Service, Revenue, Transfer From Special Revenue		$ 6,833.33
4018	810	92400	Capital Improvement, Capital Improvement, Transfer To Capital Projects	$ 8,333.33	
4005	000	69440	Equipment Capital Reserve, Revenue, Transfer From Capital Projects		$ 8,333.33
4018	810	92300	Capital Improvement, Capital Improvement, Transfer To Debt Service	$ 42,111.50	
3025	000	69440	Debt Service, Revenue, Transfer From Capital Projects		$ 42,111.50
4029	423	92300	Street Repair, Street Repair, Transfer To Debt Service	$ 17,745.83	
3025	000	69440	Debt Service, Revenue, Transfer From Capital Projects		$ 17,745.83
4055	710	92300	Aquatic Facility Capital Improvement, Recreation Department, Transfer To Debt Service	$ 22,774.50	
3025	000	69440	Debt Service, Revenue, Transfer From Capital Projects		$ 22,774.50

5111	651	92500	Electric Revenue, Administrative and General, Transfer To Enterprise	$ 101,830.67	
5112	000	69450	Electric Capital Reserve, Revenue, Transfer From Enterprise		$ 101,830.67
5221	651	92500	Water Revenue, Administrative and General, Transfer To Enterprise	$ 51,144.17	
5222	000	69450	Water Capital Reserve, Revenue, Transfer From Enterprise		$ 51,144.17
5331	651	92500	Sewer Revenue, Administrative and General, Transfer To Enterprise	$ 18,394.17	
5332	000	69450	Sewer Capital Reserve, Revenue, Transfer From Enterprise		$ 18,394.17
Total				$ 292,167.17	$ 292,167.17