

RECORD OF PROCEEDINGS
CITY OF BOWLING GREEN CITY COUNCIL

Minutes of

Meeting

DITTON LEGAL BLANK, INC., FORM NO. 10148

Held

MONDAY, JUNE 15, 2015

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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 7:00 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 John Fawcett, City Attorney Michael Marsh, Public Works Director Brian Craft, Utilities Director Brian O'Connell, Planning Director Heather Saylor, and Interim Parks and Recreation Director Robert Callecod.

Council Member Gavarone moved, Zanfardino seconded, to approve the minutes of the regular meeting held June 1, 2015 as distributed. Council President Aspacher declared motion carried.

CORRESPONDENCE

Clerk Kay Scherreik reported that the following liquor permit transfer applications were received from the Ohio Division of Liquor Control:

- Class D5B from Silver Dollar Steak House, LLC, dba Quarters Bar & Grill, located at 1234 N. Main Street to Crusa & Shawberry Enterprises, LLC, dba Alehouse Bar & Grill, at the same location;
- Class D5 from Bignonometry, LLC, at 145 N. Main Street, to Bignonometry, LLC at 149-153 N. Main Street;
- Class D1, D2, D3 and D3A from BGC Enterprises, LLC, dba Skybar, located at 238 N. Main Street, to Action Bar LLC, dba Liquid Bar, at the same location.

Clerk noted that a check of the records was received from the Police Division and no detrimental information was noted.

OFFICIAL REPORTS

Mayor Dick Edwards introduced the Chair of the Human Relations Commission, Mary Jane Saunders, who presented the quarterly Honor Roll Award to Arpan Yagnik.

Mayor Edwards presented a Certificate of Appreciation to Marie Bressler for her 13 years of service as a school crossing guard.

Thirdly, Mayor Edwards presented a Proclamation to Jill Carr, Vice President of Student Affairs who is retiring at the end of the month after 38 years of service at BGSU.

Mayor Edwards noted that at the June 1 meeting he was asked by the Council Member Zanfardino, chair of the Transportation & Safety Committee, to appoint a task force or some type of study group to take a more in depth look at the complete streets concept. Mayor Edwards reported that rather than proceed immediately with the appointment of such a group, that he would prefer that it be delayed for the following reasons:

- The Public Works Division has all that it can do at the present time with various repaving and sidewalk improvement programs;
- The City is in the midst of the biggest transition period in its recent history with the retirement of Municipal Administrator John Fawcett and the start of Lori Tretter as the new Municipal Administrator, as well as other significant personnel changes;
- Based on the top three priorities of City Council, concentration by the Administration is currently on the East Wooster Street corridor and the I-75 interchange project, and bringing the City's land use plan and the University's master plan into a common planning mode;

- Whether in terms of planning for improvements to the E. Wooster Street corridor or the I-75 interchange project which the City hopes will be approved by ODOT for construction beginning in 2017, a basic underlining theme/assumption is the need to be mindful of the "complete streets" planning principles.

Mayor Edwards also commended those who participated in yesterday's celebration of the Cocoon Shelter's 10th anniversary and the shelter's new location.

Municipal Administrator John Fawcett reported that there will be around 2000 bicyclists coming to town on June 24 & 25 as part of the Great Ohio Bicycle Adventure (GOBA). Fawcett noted that there are many activities planned around town for the bicyclists. Fawcett also noted that the annual fireworks display is planned for Friday, July 3 with the rain date being Saturday, July 4.

Fawcett stated that this is his final City Council meeting and that it has been an honor to serve the community for 33½ years. Fawcett noted that the quality of this community is what attracted him to Bowling Green, it's what has kept him in Bowling Green, and what has made it an honor for him to serve.

Planning Director Heather Saylor reported that the issuance of permits is up by 30% versus the same time last year and that there have been 15 single family housing starts thus far in 2015 compared to 7 at this time last year.

Recreation Coordinator Kristin Otley gave the Parks and Recreation Director's report noting the interviews are being conducted to replace her position once she becomes the Parks and Recreation Director on July 1. Otley also reported that the Parks and Recreation Foundation has received approximately \$9,600 in donations for the purchase of a six-passenger golf cart that can be used to take park patrons who have difficulty walking around the Simpson Garden Park or other park facilities.

City Attorney Michael Marsh said that he has been working with John Fawcett for 28 years and that he has been a good leader for the City.

Utilities Director Brian O'Connell reported that he attended the annual APPA Conference in Minnesota last week.

Public Works Director Brian Craft updated Council on current roadway projects and sidewalk replacement project throughout the City.

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 an ordinance for cleaning of streets by special assessment.

Council Member McOmber, for the Finance Committee, introduced an ordinance 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.

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 425 East Wooster 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 accepting annexation of approximately 1.25 acres of land in Plain Township, Wood County, Ohio, from BG Road West, LLC, petitioner.

Council Member Jeffers, for the Planning, Zoning and Economic Development Committee, introduced an ordinance 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.

Council Member Gordon, for the Community Improvement Committee, introduced an ordinance 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.

Council Member Zanfardino, for the Transportation & Safety Committee, introduced an ordinance amending and adopting Section 114.15(A) of the Codified Ordinances of the City of Bowling Green, Ohio, regarding vehicle inspection, license, and maintenance.

Council Member Zanfardino, for the Transportation & Safety Committee, introduced an ordinance accepting deeds and/or easements related to the North Main Street improvement project, and dedicating said properties for right-of-way and municipal purposes.

Council Member Aspacher, for the Committee-of-the-Whole, introduced a resolution honoring John S. Fawcett, Municipal Administrator, for distinguished public service.

COUNCIL COMMITTEE REPORTS

There were no Council Committee reports.

LOBBY VISITATIONS

Barbara Ruland, Downtown Bowling Green, addressed Council regarding the upcoming Car Show on July 11 and indicated that they are still in need of many volunteers.

READING OF LEGISLATION

Clerk read Resolution #3595 honoring John S. Fawcett, Municipal Administrator, for distinguished public service.

Council Member Aspacher moved, Gavarone seconded, to suspend the rules and give Resolution #3595 its second and third reading. On unanimous voice vote, Council President Aspacher declared motion carried, and the rules suspended.

Clerk read Resolution #3595 for second and third reading by number and title only.

Council Member Aspacher moved, McOmber seconded, to adopt Resolution #3595. On unanimous voice vote, Council President Aspacher declared motion carried, and Resolution #3595 adopted.

Clerk read Resolution #3595 aloud in its entirety honoring the service of John Fawcett.

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

Council Member Jeffers scheduled Ordinance #8431 for public hearing on Monday, July 20, 2015, at 6:30 p.m.

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 first 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 first reading.

Council Member Jeffers scheduled Ordinance #8433 for public hearing on Monday, July 20, 2015, at 6:30 p.m.

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 first 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 first 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 first reading.

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

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 second reading.

Clerk read Resolution #3592 approving the petitions for renewal and the Plan of Services to be provided by the Bowling Green Central Business Special Improvement District, Inc., approving the properties of the municipal corporation in said Plan of Services and approving the City of Bowling Green's cooperative cost share, for second reading.

Council Member Gordon moved, Rowland seconded, to suspend the rules and give Resolution #3592 its 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 #3592 for third reading by number and title only.

Council Member Gordon moved, Jeffers seconded, to adopt Resolution #3592. On roll call vote, Council Members Gordon, Jeffers, McOmber, Rowland, Zanfardino, Aspacher, and Gavarone voted yes. Council President Aspacher declared motion carried, and Resolution #3592 adopted.

Clerk read Resolution #3593 declaring the necessity to implement the Plan of Services adopted by the Bowling Green Central Business Special Improvement District, Inc., as approved in Resolution No. 3592 and declaring the necessity to levy a special assessment for the services set forth in said plan upon the lots and lands benefiting under the plan, for second reading.

Council Member Gordon moved, Rowland seconded, to suspend the rules and give Resolution #3593 its 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 Resolution #3593 for third reading by number and title only.

Council Member Gordon moved, Rowland seconded, to adopt Resolution #3593. On roll call vote, Council Members McOmber, Rowland, Zanfardino, Aspacher, Gavarone, Gordon, and Jeffers voted yes. Council President Aspacher declared motion carried, and Resolution #3593 adopted.

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

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 second reading.

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

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 second reading.

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 second reading.

Clerk read Resolution #3588 adopting and authorizing an amended B. G. Transit Drug and Alcohol Testing Policy, for third reading.

Council Member Gordon moved, Rowland seconded, to adopt Resolution #3588. On roll call vote, Council Members Rowland, Zanfardino, Aspacher, Gavarone, Gordon, and McOmber voted yes. Council Member Jeffers voted no. Council President Aspacher declared motion carried, and Resolution #3588 adopted.

Clerk read Resolution #3589 adopting the Bowling Green Fire Division Standards of Cover for 2015, for third reading.

Council Member Zanfardino moved, Rowland seconded, to adopt Resolution #3589. On roll call vote, Council Members Zanfardino, Aspacher, Gavarone, Gordon, Jeffers, McOmber, and Rowland voted yes. Council President Aspacher declared motion carried, and Resolution #3589 adopted.

Council Member Gavarone moved, Rowland seconded, to adjourn. On unanimous voice vote, Council President Aspacher adjourned the June 15, 2015 regular meeting of the City Council at 8:07 p.m., subject to call.



Kay D. Scherrek, Clerk of Council



Michael Aspacher, President of Council