

# RECORD OF PROCEEDINGS

Minutes of

CITY OF BOWLING GREEN CITY COUNCIL

Meeting

DAYTON LEGAL BLANK, INC., FORM NO. 10148

Held

MONDAY, AUGUST 15, 2016

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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, 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 Saylor, and Parks and Recreation Director Kristin Otley.

Council President Aspacher opened the floor for continued discussions regarding the appointment of a new Council Member to fill the 4<sup>th</sup> ward seat recently vacated by Theresa Gavarone.

Council Member McOmber began by saying that he is pleased by the overall quality of the people who applied for the position and made presentations earlier this evening. McOmber noted that as the only Republican on City Council he felt that he needed to take the opportunity to say that William Herald's qualifications certainly overwhelm the other candidates and that Council needs to respect the fact that Mr. Herald has attended Council meetings for the last 10 years. McOmber indicated that he knows the score with regards to party affiliations, but Mr. Herald certainly brings to the table more experience than any of the other candidates.

Council Member Jeffers indicated that he was biased when he read the list of candidates and their resumes. He noted that he formed an opinion and discussed it with some citizens around town. Jeffers stated that hearing from the candidates tonight strengthened his opinion and he feels solidified in his choice.

Council Member Gordon echoed Council Member Jeffers's comments and encouraged all of the applicants to continue to stay involved in City affairs helping to build community in Bowling Green.

Council President Aspacher nominated Scott Seeliger to the 4<sup>th</sup> Ward Council seat. Council Member Jeffers seconded the nomination. On roll call vote, Council Members Aspacher, Gordon, Jeffers, McOmber, Rowland, and Zanfardino voted yes. Council President Aspacher declared motion carried and congratulated Scott Seeliger and invited him to come forward. City Attorney Michael Marsh extended the Oath of Office to Seeliger and he took his seat on City Council.

Council Member Jeffers moved, Zanfardino seconded, to approve the minutes of the regular meeting held August 1, 2016 as distributed. Council President Aspacher declared motion carried.

## CORRESPONDENCE

Clerk Kay Scherreik noted for the record that copies of the Budget Summary Report for the month of July 2016 were distributed to Council prior to this evening's meeting.

## OFFICIAL REPORTS

Mayor Dick Edwards reported that on Friday from 1-3 p.m., he and BGSU President Mary Ellen Mazey will do their annual walk through the neighborhoods close to campus knocking on doors welcoming students to Bowling Green. Mayor Edwards also noted that the 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the National Tractor Pull will be going on this weekend in Bowling Green and encouraged citizens to exercise patience when moving about the City.

Mayor Edwards announced that a conference for Green Energy Ohio will be held on August 25 at Stone Ridge Golf Club where Bowling Green's new solar field will be recognized.

Mayor Edwards indicated that he would like to see City Council pass a resolution dedicating the former junior high property located at West Wooster and South Church streets as green space. He noted that the community has waited a long time for the City to take action and feels that it's time to move forward. Council President Aspacher asked Municipal Administrator Lori Tretter to put together a resolution for Council to review regarding the green space for the next Council meeting.

Municipal Administrator Lori Tretter reviewed street closures for Thursday in the vicinity of the BGSU campus to accommodate the move in of students. Tretter also reported that the education campaign has begun for the City's new regulations regarding trash bin location. She noted that flyers, door hangers and warning stickers have been developed and will be distributed by staff. She also noted that information is readily available on the City's website.

Planning Director Heather Saylor reported that the first community meeting regarding the Neighborhood Revitalization Study will be held on August 30 from 6:30-8:00 p.m. at Crim Elementary. Saylor indicated that this will be a time for residents of the neighborhoods to become involved in the process.

Parks and Recreation Director Kristin Otley announced an upcoming Parks & Recreation Foundation fundraiser on August 16 from 11 a.m. – 9 p.m. at Sunset Bistro. Otley also announced that a ribbon cutting will be held for the new storage building at Wintergarden/St. John's Nature Preserve on August 25 at 4 p.m.

City Attorney Michael Marsh had no report.

Utilities Director Brian O'Connell had no report

Public Works Director Brian Craft had no report.

#### **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, 2016 and ending December 31, 2016.

#### **COUNCIL COMMITTEE REPORTS**

There were no Council Committee reports.

#### **LOBBY VISITATIONS**

Jennifer Karchers, 407 N. Main Street, addressed Council asking if the new electronic sign located at the Police Division could provide a message to watch out for the safety of bicyclists. She also requested that more money be put into the budget for bicycle infrastructure.

Mac Henry, 18783 Hull Prairie Road, addressed City Council about his desire to operate a food truck business in Bowling Green and indicated that the City's ordinances regarding this issue are too restrictive. Council President Aspacher responded that City Council is the body that would have to make changes to the ordinance and that it is something they can look into with the Administration.

#### **READING OF LEGISLATION**

Clerk read Resolution #3636 transferring previously appropriated funds, for first reading.

Council Member McOmber moved, Jeffers seconded, to suspend the rules and give Resolution #3636 its second and third reading. On roll call vote, Council Members Gordon, Jeffers, McOmber, Rowland, Zanfardino, and Aspacher voted yes. Council Member Seeliger abstained. Council President Aspacher declared motion carried, and rules suspended.

Clerk read Resolution #3636 for second and third reading by number and title only.

Council Member McOmber moved, Rowland seconded, to adopt Resolution #3636. On roll call vote, Council Members Jeffers, McOmber, Rowland, Zanfardino, Aspacher, and Gordon voted yes. Council Member Seeliger abstained. Council President Aspacher declared motion carried, and Resolution #3636 adopted.

Clerk read Ordinance #8529 providing supplemental appropriations for the current expenses and other expenditures of the City of Bowling Green, Ohio, during the fiscal year beginning January 1, 2016 and ending December 31, 2016, for first reading.

Council Member McOmber moved, Jeffers seconded, to suspend the rules and give Ordinance #8529 its second and third reading. On roll call vote, Council Members McOmber, Rowland, Zanfardino, Aspacher, Gordon, and Jeffers voted yes. Council Member Seeliger abstained. Council President Aspacher declared motion carried, and rules suspended.

Clerk read Ordinance #8529 for second and third reading by number and title only.

Council Member McOmber moved, Rowland seconded, to adopt Ordinance #8529. On roll call vote, Council Members Rowland, Zanfardino, Aspacher, Gordon, Jeffers, and McOmber voted yes. Council Member Seeliger abstained. Council President Aspacher declared motion carried, and Ordinance #8529 adopted.

Clerk read Ordinance #8595 amending and adopting Section 33.07(A) of the Codified Ordinances of the City of Bowling Green, Ohio, regarding pre-employment medical examination and drug screening, for second reading.

Clerk read Resolution #3633 adopting and authorizing amendments to the Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) Housing Policy & Procedures Manual, for third reading.

Council Member Gordon moved, Zanfardino seconded, to adopt Resolution #3633. On roll call vote, Council Members Zanfardino, Aspacher, Gordon, Jeffers, McOmber, and Rowland voted yes. Council Member Seeliger abstained. Council President Aspacher declared motion carried, and Resolution #3633 adopted.

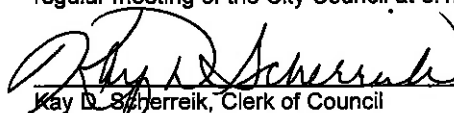
Clerk read Resolution #3634 adopting and authorizing an amended Housing Revolving Loan Fund Program Policy & Procedures Manual, for third reading.

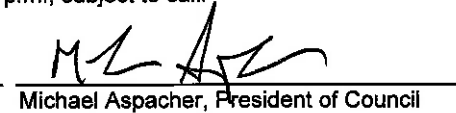
Council Member Gordon moved, Jeffers seconded, to adopt Resolution #3634. On roll call vote, Council Members Zanfardino, Aspacher, Gordon, Jeffers, McOmber, and Rowland voted yes. Council Member Seeliger abstained. Council President Aspacher declared motion carried, and Resolution #3634 adopted.

Clerk read Ordinance #8593 amending and adopting Sections 150.40 and 150.103 of the Codified Ordinances of the City of Bowling Green, Ohio, regarding the zoning code, for third reading.

Council Member Jeffers moved, Gordon seconded, to table Ordinance #8593 until a public hearing is held on September 6, 2016. On roll call vote, Council Members, Aspacher, Gavarone, Gordon, Jeffers, McOmber, Rowland, and Zanfardino voted yes. Council Member Seeliger abstained. Council President Aspacher declared motion carried, and Ordinance #8593 tabled until September 6, 2016.

Council Member Rowland moved, McOmber seconded, to adjourn. On unanimous voice vote, Council President Aspacher adjourned the August 15, 2016 regular meeting of the City Council at 8:12 p.m., subject to call.

  
Kay D. Scherrek, Clerk of Council

  
Michael Aspacher, President of Council