

**RECORD OF PROCEEDINGS
CITY OF BOWLING GREEN CITY COUNCIL**

Minutes of

Meeting

BEAR GRAPHICS 800-325-8084 FORM NO. 10148

MONDAY, DECEMBER 17, 2018

Held

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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, Herald, Hollenbaugh, Jeffers, Robinette, Rowland, and Zanfardino were present. Also present were Mayor Richard Edwards, Municipal Administrator Lori Tretter, City Attorney Michael Marsh, Public Works Director Brian Craft, Utilities Director Brian O'Connell, and Planning Director Heather Saylor. Parks and Recreation Director Kristin Otley was not present.

Council Member Herald moved, Zanfardino seconded, to approve the minutes of the regular meeting held December 3, 2018 as distributed. On unanimous voice vote, Council President Aspacher declared motion carried.

CORRESPONDENCE

Clerk of Council Kay Scherreik noted for the record that copies of the Budget Summary Report for the month of November 2018 was distributed to Council prior to this evening's meeting.

Clerk noted that correspondence was received from Mayor Edwards and distributed to Council requesting confirmation of the appointment of Doug Cubberley to a 4-year term on the Traffic Commission expiring on May 31, 2022. Council Member Rowland moved, Robinette seconded, to approve the appointment as requested by the Mayor. On unanimous voice vote, Council President Aspacher declared motion carried.

SPECIAL RECOGNITIONS – MAYOR EDWARDS

There were no special recognitions at this evening's meeting.

LOBBY VISITATIONS

There were no lobby visitations.

NEW LEGISLATION

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

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

Council Member Jeffers, 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, 2018 and ending December 31, 2018.

Council Member Jeffers, for the Finance Committee, introduced an ordinance authorizing the Municipal Administrator to advertise for bids and enter into a contract or contracts for the demolition of current City Park buildings and the construction of a new City Park Building, including landscaping, paving an entry drive and parking lot and other such site related improvements.

OFFICIAL REPORTS

Mayor Dick Edwards had no report.

Municipal Administrator Lori Tretter reminded Council of upcoming holiday hours for the City Administrative Services Building.

Planning Director Heather Saylor had no report.

Parks and Recreation Director Kristin Otley was not present.

City Attorney Michael Marsh had no report.

Utilities Director Brian O'Connell updated Council on current Water Treatment Plant and Wastewater Treatment Plant projects.

Public Works Director Brian Craft had no report.

COUNCIL COMMITTEE REPORTS

Council Member Zanfardino commented that he met last week with members of the Administration and the City Attorney regarding the establishment of a plastic bag fee and/or tax. Zanfardino noted that after that meeting it became more clear to him that the establishment of fee was not the way to go given how quickly the state was moving forward with its legislation that would prohibit those efforts. Instead, he indicated that he would like Council to explore a ban on the use of plastic bags in the City as an alternative.

Council President Aspacher responded by assigning the issue to the Community Improvement Committee. Aspacher noted that the Committee will be scheduling a meeting in the near future.

Council Member Jeffers asked if Zanfardino knew if the state's interest was only on preempting a tax and not a ban on the use of plastic bags. Zanfardino responded that to his knowledge there is no discussion of that at this time. Council Member Robinette noted that having reviewed the legislation, he questioned whether or not it would preclude an actual ban on plastic bags. City Attorney Marsh responded that at this time it is hard to tell what the language of the legislation will include once it makes its way to the governor for signature. Robinette said that he feels that the City would be better off focusing its efforts on education and that perhaps that would be a good job for the Sustainability Coordinator. Council President Aspacher responded that the education component was one of the topics discussed in the meeting and is certainly a part of the overall strategy. Council Member Hollenbaugh commented that he likes the new path that this issue is taking but indicated that he has reservations about the fee because it would be regressive and affecting lower income residents more harshly. Council Member Herald said that Council needs to give the community a chance to be heard to hear different points of view on the issue.

READING OF LEGISLATION

Clerk read Resolution #3724 transferring previously appropriated funds, for first reading.

Council Member Jeffers moved, Zanfardino seconded, to suspend the rules and give Resolution #3724 its second and third reading. On roll call vote, Council Members Herald, Hollenbaugh, Jeffers, Robinette, Rowland, Zanfardino, and Aspacher voted yes. Council President Aspacher declared motion carried, and rules suspended.

Clerk read Resolution #3724 for second and third reading by number and title only.

Council Member Jeffers moved, Zanfardino seconded, to adopt Resolution #3724. On roll call vote, Council Members Hollenbaugh, Jeffers, Robinette, Rowland, Zanfardino, Aspacher, and Herald voted yes. Council President Aspacher declared motion carried, and Resolution #3724 adopted.

Clerk read Ordinance #8739 providing supplemental appropriations for the current expenses and other expenditures of the City of Bowling Green, Ohio, during the fiscal year beginning January 1, 2018 and ending December 31, 2018, for first reading.

Council Member Jeffers moved, Rowland seconded, to suspend the rules and give Ordinance #8739 its second and third reading. On roll call vote, Council Members Jeffers, Robinette, Rowland, Zanfardino, Aspacher, Herald, and Hollenbaugh voted yes. Council President Aspacher declared motion carried, and rules suspended.

Clerk read Ordinance #8739 for second and third reading by number and title only.

Council Member Jeffers moved, Rowland seconded, to adopt Ordinance #8739. On roll call vote, Council Members. Robinette, Rowland, Zanfardino, Aspacher, Herald, Hollenbaugh, and Jeffers voted yes. Council President Aspacher declared motion carried, and Ordinance #8739 adopted.

Clerk read Ordinance #8740 authorizing the Municipal Administrator to advertise for bids and enter into a contract or contracts for the demolition of current City Park buildings and the construction of a new City Park Building, including landscaping, paving an entry drive and parking lot and other such site related improvements, for first reading.

Clerk read Resolution #3721 adopting and authorizing an amended Housing Revolving Loan Fund Program Policy & Procedures Manual, for second reading.

Clerk read Resolution #3722 adopting and authorizing an amended Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) Housing Policy & Procedures Manual, for second reading.

Clerk read Resolution #3723 authorizing the Municipal Administrator to participate in the Ohio Department of Transportation Cooperative Purchasing Program for the purpose of purchasing vehicles, machinery, materials, supplies, or other materials, for second reading.

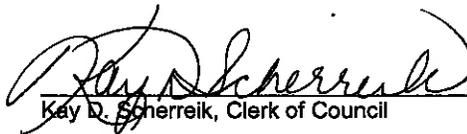
Clerk read Ordinance #8735 to provide appropriations for the expenses and other expenditures of the City of Bowling Green, Ohio, for the fiscal year beginning January 1, 2019 and ending December 31, 2019, for second reading.

Clerk read Ordinance #8736 authorizing the Utilities Director to advertise for bids and enter into a contract or contracts for supplying annual inventory requirements, underground and overhead lines insurance, sale of scrap materials, and participation in the AMP Joint Purchasing Program in 2019, for second reading.

Clerk read Ordinance #8737 authorizing the Utilities Director to purchase water meter reading equipment from Badger Meter, for second reading.

Clerk reminded Council Members that there is a meeting scheduled for Thursday, December 27, 2018, at 5:00 p.m. to conduct year-end and regular City Council business. She also noted that the January 7, 2019 meeting has been canceled and the second meeting in January will be held on Tuesday, January 22, 2019, due to the Martin Luther King holiday.

Council Member Rowland moved, Zanfardino seconded, to adjourn. On unanimous voice vote, Council President Aspacher adjourned the December 17, 2018 regular meeting of the City Council at 7:23 p.m., subject to call.


Kay D. Scherrek, Clerk of Council


Michael Aspacher, President of Council