

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

Minutes of

Meeting

DAYTON LEGAL BLANK, INC. FORM NO. 10148

MONDAY, AUGUST 5, 2019

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 Acting Council President Bruce Jeffers. The meeting began with the Pledge of Allegiance.

On roll call, Council Members Herald, Hollenbaugh, Jeffers, Robinette, Rowland, and Zanfardino were present. Also present were Acting Mayor Mike Aspacher, Municipal Administrator Lori Tretter, City Attorney Michael Marsh, Public Works Director Brian Craft, Utilities Director Brian O'Connell, and Planning Director Heather Sayler. Parks and Recreation Director Kristin Otley was not present.

Council Member Rowland moved, Zanfardino seconded, to approve the minutes of the regular meeting held July 15, 2019 as distributed. On unanimous voice vote, Acting Council President Jeffers declared motion carried.

CORRESPONDENCE

Clerk of Council Kay Scherreik noted for the record that copies of the Budget Summary Report for the month of June 2019 was distributed to Council prior to this evening's meeting.

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

SPECIAL RECOGNITIONS – MAYOR EDWARDS

There were no special recognitions.

LOBBY VISITATIONS

Phil Wohler, 318 N. Church Street, addressed City Council regarding his opposition to the proposed plastic bag ban. Wohler indicated that he thinks the bag ban is too drastic and that it should be put to a vote of the people.

Tony Vetter, Downtown BG, wanted to take an opportunity to thank the Mayor, the Administration and City Council for granting free parking in the downtown area for the remainder of the year, and for the increased signage on Poe and Napoleon Roads. He said that the downtown merchants are very grateful.

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 an ordinance amending and adopting Section 33.08 of the Codified Ordinances of the City of Bowling Green, Ohio, regarding Police Division Composition.

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, 2019 and ending December 31, 2019.

Council Member Jeffers, for the Finance Committee, introduced an ordinance certifying unpaid cost of weed mowing to the County Auditor for placement on the tax duplicate.

Council Member Herald, for the Public Utilities Committee, introduced an ordinance authorizing the Utilities Director to request proposals and enter into a contract or contracts for a battery energy storage system.

Council Member Zanfardino, for the Transportation & Safety Committee, introduced a resolution amending and adopting changes to the Procurement Manual for B.G. Transit.

OFFICIAL REPORTS

Acting Mayor Mike Aspacher commented that it was good to see asphalt being applied on Main Street and sees that as significant progress on the downtown infrastructure project. Aspacher also expressed his gratitude to the members of *Not In Our Town* (NIOT) and others for coordinating the multi-faith community picnic/gathering held in City Park yesterday. Aspacher noted that it was a very successful event working towards bringing the community together. Aspacher read a prepared statement regarding recent national events. A copy of that statement is attached and made a part of these minutes. Several Council Members thanked Aspacher for his statement.

Municipal Administrator Lori Tretter reminded Council Members of the upcoming meeting of the Committee-of-the-Whole on Tuesday, August 13, 2019, at 6:00 p.m. in the Council Chamber to hear a financial and strategic planning update ahead of the 2020 budget.

Planning Director Heather Saylor reported that she attended the Ohio Town & Gown Conference last week in Kent, Ohio. She noted that next year's event will be held in Athens, Ohio on July 16-17. Saylor also reported that 263 zoning permits have been issued thus far in 2019 versus 231 at the same time last year. She also noted that there have been 20 single-family housing starts in 2019 versus 23 last year. Saylor reported that 22 properties have been mowed so far in 2019 and 110 notifications have been sent to property owners.

Parks and Recreation Director Kristin Otley was not present.

City Attorney Michael Marsh had no report.

Utilities Director Brian O'Connell had no report.

Public Works Director Brian Craft had no report.

COUNCIL COMMITTEE REPORTS

Council Member Robinette reported that the Planning, Zoning and Economic Development Committee held a public hearing earlier this evening regarding Ordinance #8779 and no issues or concerns were raised at that time. Robinette also noted that he distributed to Council Members copies of the report from the committee meeting held on July 15.

READING OF LEGISLATION

Clerk read Resolution #3738 amending and adopting changes to the Procurement Manual for B.G. Transit, for first reading.

Clerk read Ordinance #8786 providing supplemental appropriations for the current expenses and other expenditures of the City of Bowling Green, Ohio, during the fiscal year beginning January 1, 2019 and ending December 31, 2019, for first reading.

Acting Council President Jeffers moved, Rowland seconded, to suspend the rules and give Ordinance #8786 its second and third reading. On roll call vote, Council Members Hollenbaugh, Jeffers, Robinette, Rowland, Zanfardino, and Herald voted yes. Acting Council President Jeffers declared motion carried, and rules suspended.

Clerk read Ordinance #8786 its second and third reading by number and title only.

Acting Council President Jeffers moved, Zanfardino seconded, to adopt Ordinance #8786. On roll call vote, Council Members Jeffers, Robinette, Rowland, Zanfardino, Herald, and Hollenbaugh voted yes. Acting Council President Jeffers declared motion carried. And Ordinance #8786 adopted.

Clerk read Ordinance #8787 certifying unpaid cost of weed mowing to the County Auditor for placement on the tax duplicate, for first reading.

Clerk read Ordinance #8788 amending and adopting Section 33.08 of the Codified Ordinances of the City of Bowling Green, Ohio, regarding Police Division Composition, for first reading.

Clerk read Ordinance #8789 authorizing the Utilities Director to request proposals and enter into a contract or contracts for a battery energy storage system, for first reading.

Clerk read Ordinance #8785 creating and adopting Chapter 121 of the Codified Ordinances of the City of Bowling Green, Ohio, prohibiting single-use, carryout, thin plastic bags and amending Section 35.70 regarding City fees and fees charged for services, for second reading.

There was no legislation for third reading.

Clerk noted that Ordinance #8779 amending the Zoning District Map of the City of Bowling Green, Ohio, for property generally known as 140 South Grove Street from S-3 Planned Institutional and R-2 Single Family Residential to I-1 Institutional zoning comes off the table automatically.

Council Member Robinette moved, Jeffers seconded, to adopt Ordinance #8779. On roll call vote, Council Members Robinette, Rowland, Zanfardino, Herald, Hollenbaugh, and Jeffers voted yes. Acting Council President Jeffers declared motion carried, and Ordinance #8779 adopted.

Council Member Herald moved, Rowland seconded, to adjourn. On unanimous voice vote, Acting Council President Jeffers adjourned the August 5, 2019 regular meeting of the City Council at 7:22 p.m., subject to call.


Kay D. Scherreik, Clerk of Council


Bruce Jeffers, Acting President of Council



August 5, 2019

TO: Bowling Green City Council
 FROM: Brian Bushong, Finance Director

Transfers requested for the month of August include:

Fund	Dept.	Account	Description	From	To
1010	190	92400	General, Miscellaneous, Transfer To Capital Projects	\$ 3,042.58	
4030	000	69410	Green Space Acquisition Fund, Revenue, Transfer From General		\$ 3,042.58
4030	710	92100	Green Space Acquisition Fund, Recreation Department, Transfer To General	\$ 2,225.00	
1010	000	69440	General, Revenue, Transfer From Capital Projects		\$ 2,225.00
1010	190	92200	General, Miscellaneous, Transfer To Special Revenue	\$ 2,916.67	
2007	000	69410	Payroll Stabilization, Revenue, Transfer From General		\$ 2,916.67
2078	170	92300	Municipal Court Special Projects, Municipal Court, Transfer To Debt Service	\$ 7,500.00	
3025	000	69420	Debt Service, Revenue, Transfer From Special Revenue		\$ 7,500.00
4018	810	92300	Capital Improvement, Capital Improvement, Transfer To Debt Service	\$ 33,055.25	
3025	000	69440	Debt Service, Revenue, Transfer From Capital Projects		\$ 33,055.25
4018	810	92400	Capital Improvement, Capital Improvement, Transfer To Capital Projects	\$ 11,616.67	
4005	000	69440	Equipment Capital Reserve, Revenue, Transfer From Capital Projects		\$ 11,616.67
4055	710	92400	Aquatic Facility Capital Improvement, Recreation Department, Transfer To Capital Projects	\$ 2,083.33	
4010	000	69440	Facility Capital Reserve, Revenue, Transfer From Capital Projects		\$ 2,083.33
4029	423	92300	Street Repair, Street Repair, Transfer To Debt Service	\$ 38,481.58	
3025	000	69440	Debt Service, Revenue, Transfer From Capital Projects		\$ 38,481.58
1010	190	92200	General, Miscellaneous, Transfer To Special Revenue	\$ 4,542.92	

2021	000	69410	ODOT Transportation Grant (Taxi), Revenue, Transfer From General		\$ 4,542.92
4055	710	92300	Aquatic Facility Capital Improvement, Recreation Department, Transfer To Debt Service	\$ 21,001.58	
3025	000	69440	Debt Service, Revenue, Transfer From Capital Projects		\$ 21,001.58
2016	710	92300	Park, Playground and Recreation, Recreation Department, Transfer To Debt Service	\$ 17,389.08	
3025	000	69420	Debt Service, Revenue, Transfer From Special Revenue		\$ 17,389.08
5111	651	92500	Electric Revenue, Administrative and General, Transfer To Enterprise	\$ 184,036.00	
5112	000	69450	Electric Capital Reserve, Revenue, Transfer From Enterprise		\$ 184,036.00
5221	651	92500	Water Revenue, Administrative and General, Transfer To Enterprise	\$ 78,623.00	
5222	000	69450	Water Capital Reserve, Revenue, Transfer From Enterprise		\$ 78,623.00
5331	651	92500	Sewer Revenue, Administrative and General, Transfer To Enterprise	\$ 16,040.00	
5332	000	69450	Sewer Capital Reserve, Revenue, Transfer From Enterprise		\$ 16,040.00
Total				\$ 422,553.66	\$ 422,553.66

As you all are well aware, I have been reluctant in the past to bring to our chambers national social issues with which we have little or no legislative authority to influence outcomes. These issues, when discussed at the local level often serve only to create division in our community.

The horrific events that occurred over the weekend in El Paso and Dayton, and which are also occurring in other communities across the nation with increasing and alarming regularity, however compel me to make a brief comment about these nonsensical acts of violence.

Like you, my heart is heavy with sadness when considering the senseless loss of life in our towns and cities due to gun violence. The frequency with which these types of abhorrent attacks are occurring have come to represent a real threat to the health and safety of our citizens.

This is not a partisan issue and I do not think it is helpful or productive to spend our time pointing fingers or assigning blame. I believe the time has arrived where we can reasonably expect our elected representatives in Washington DC and Columbus to to work together to identify and implement bi-partisan, common sense, and impactful solutions to this public health emergency. I urge our locally elected representatives in Congress and the State legislature to contribute in a meaningful way to discussions aimed at safeguarding our citizens and creating safer communities across our State and country.