

# Circleville City Council Meeting Minutes

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Circleville City Council convened in Council Chambers, City Hall, 127 South Court Street, Circleville, Ohio on Tuesday February 5, 2019 at 7:00 pm. The following members were present: Council President David Crawford; Michelle Blanton, At Large; Todd Brady, At Large; Julie Strawser, First Ward; Barry Keller, Second Ward; Katie Logan Hedges, Third Ward, Sheri Theis, Fourth Ward; Linda Chancey, Council Clerk. ABSENT: Tom Spring, At Large. Guests in attendance was Mayor Don McIlroy, Gayle Spangler, Auditor; Gary Kenworthy, Law Director and Treasurer Brent Bowers.

President David Crawford called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited and President David Crawford invited anyone who would wish to participate in the invocation with council members. Council meetings from 1/15/19, Special Council 01/21/19 and Special 01/22/19 minutes were approved by council members and filed.

## **REPORTS FROM COUNCIL MEMBERS AND COMMITTEE REPORTS**

Crawford reported that prior to tonight's council meeting City Council Members toured the new 911 dispatch center at the Pickaway County Jail at the invitation of the Pickaway County Commissioners and Sheriff Radcliff. Council members were shown the remodeling and renovations of new equipment that cost more than ½ million dollars. Council was pleased to see the fully functioning state of the art system. In addition, council has received their 2018 annual report.

## **REPORTS FROM ADMINISTRATION**

Treasurer Brent Bowers reported that he distributed his office's annual report for January 2019 with monthly financial balances. Bowers stated with the lack of revenue coming into the city, the treasurer's office had to cash in security, but the interest rates on the city's investment are holding compared to two years ago.

The mayor reported that pothole season is upon the city, please continue the phone calls. There have been three crews out this week repairing them.

## **NO ADDRESS TO COUNCIL**

## **COMMUNICATIONS**

The 2018 annual report was submitted to all council members.

Treasurer Bowers submitted his office's January 2019 report with financial monthly balances.

The City Auditor Gayle Spangler submitted her office's January 29, 2019 report regarding the credit card statement. Ordinance 01-03-2019 requires that the Circleville Auditor's office provide City Council with a transaction report for activities in the prior month. The attached report details payments for all city departments reflected on the statement ending January 6, 2019. A preliminary annual report from the Office of the Auditor, dated January 22, 2019 for the fiscal year-ending December 31, 2018 for inspection. Upon completion of the GAAP report the Council of City of Circleville will be presented a full report as mandated by the State of Ohio. Blanton motioned to accept the correspondences and to place them on file. Theis seconded. Motion carried.

## **ORDINANCES FOR THE FIRST READING**

**An Ordinance Expressing An Intent To Purchase 21.224 Acres, More Or Less Of Land Located Adjacent To Barthelmas Park To Be Used For Park And Other Recreational Purposes Authorizing The Mayor To Enter In A Local Project Agreement With The Pickaway County Park District To Assist In The Funding For The Purchase Of This Property And Declaring An Emergency.**

Theis stated that this was reviewed in the LRSP cmte meeting. This ordinance allows the mayor to enter into a contract with the park district to fund the \$300,000 to purchase 21 acres next to Barthelmas Park. The city has applied for a grant for \$150,000, if that is accepted the Park Board will pay \$125,000 over five years and the city will be responsible for \$25,000. Theis continued with if the city does not receive the grant the Park Board will pay \$225,000 and the city will then be responsible for \$75,000.

Brady motioned to suspend the rules. Strawser seconded. Roll Call. (6 Yeas - 0 Nays).

Rules are suspended. Keller motioned for passage. Theis seconded. Roll Call. (6 Yeas-0 Nays).

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Ordinance passes and assigned #02-05-2019.

**An Ordinance Authorizing The Mayor Of The City Of Circleville To Enter Into A Contract And Otherwise Take All Action Necessary To Acquire Approximately 20 Acres, More Or Less Of Land Located Adjacent To Barthelmas Park To Be Used For Park And Other Recreations Purposes And Declaring An Emergency.** Theis stated that this was reviewed in the LRSP cmte meeting.

This reported this is a good opportunity for the city to expand the city's parks.

Brady motioned to suspend the rules. Hedges seconded. Roll Call. (6 Yeas - 0 Nays).

Rules are suspended. Keller motioned for passage. Blanton seconded. Roll Call. (6 Yeas - 0 Nays).

Ordinance passes and assigned #02-06-2019.

**A Resolution Clarifying Terms Of The Approval Of The Creation Of A Community Revitalization District Pursuant To Section 4301.81 Of The Ohio Revised Code As Set Forth In Ordinance No: 09-62-2018 And Declaring An Emergency.** Hedges stated that this was reviewed in the LRSP cmte.

This is an addition of specific information that was requested as part of the original ordinance.

Gary Kenworthy, Law Director stated that his office was contacted by the State Auditor's office for certain information in the ordinance that was not in the original ordinance, such as language compliance with long term plans for the city to satisfy the state's regulations for a Community Revitalization District. Brady motioned to suspend the rules. Theis seconded. Roll Call. (6 Yeas - 0 Nays).

Rules are suspended. Hedges motioned for passage. Brady seconded. Roll Call. (6 Yeas - 0 Nays).

Resolution is adopted and assigned #02-07-2019.

## NEW BUSINESS

Hedges stated this was reviewed in the January 29<sup>th</sup> long range committee. There is a vacancy on the Tree Commission due to a resignation. There was one application from Richard Alan Rawlins of Circleville. The long range committee recommended his application to the Tree Commission. Hedges motioned to appoint Richard Alan Rawlins to the vacant spot on the Tree Commission. Strawser seconded. Motion carried. Appointment is confirmed.

Strawser motioned to excuse Tom Spring from tonight's council meeting. Keller seconded. Motion carried.

Brady motioned to recess council meeting and come back in regular council session following the judicial committee meeting. Hedges seconded. Roll call. (6 Yeas - 0 Nays).

Brady motioned to come back into council meeting after the judicial committee meeting. Hedges seconded. Roll call. (6 Yeas - 0 Nays). Tom Spring is still absent.

Blanton motioned to adjourn into executive session to confer with the city attorney concerning imminent court action pursuant to ORC 122.22 (g) (3). Included in the meeting are the Police Chief, Safety Director, and elected City Officials. Hedges seconded. Roll call. (6 Yeas - 0 Nays). Motion carried.

Brady motioned to adjourn from executive session with no business conducted and adjourned. Blanton seconded. Motion carried.

Respectfully submitted by

Linda Chancey, Council Clerk