

**PORT CLINTON CITY COUNCIL MINUTES
REGULAR MEETING**

The January 28, 2020, regular meeting of the Port Clinton City Council was held in the Linda Hartlaub City Hall Chambers with Lisa Sarty, President of Council, presiding.. The meeting opened at 7:30pm. Council recited the Pledge of Allegiance and The Lord’s Prayer, and held a moment of silence for our military veterans and first responders.

The roll was called and the following council members were present: Gabe Below, Pat Hovis, Beth Gillman, Roseann Hickman, Brian Hild; Margaret Phillips and Jerry Tarolli – excused.

Ms. Hickman moved to adopt minutes for December 23, 2019; seconded by Ms. Hovis: all agreed.

Mr. Below moved to adopt minutes for January 14, 2020; seconded by Mrs. Hickman: all agreed.

The chair noted that certification has been received regarding the compliance with the rules and notification of this meeting.

GUEST PRESENTATION

None

PUBLIC COMMENT

None

PRESIDENT OF COUNCIL

Madam President requested that the Clerk file the Rules of Council that were adopted on January 14, 2020, be posted on the City’s website.

The following members of Council have been appointed as chairman to the following committee meetings: Arts & Culture, Beth Gillman; Economic & Community Development, Gabe Below; Environment & Public Works, Roseann Hickman, Finance, Gabe Below; and Safety Services, Margaret Phillips.

Public comment requires that partakers sign in prior to the start of the Council meeting. Each has five minutes to speak to Council. No comments from the audience will be allowed at that time.

Mayor Snider provided Madame President a letter requesting that Council and a committee look into the café permit. Madam President assigned Gabe Below of the Economic & Community Development Committee to review.

MAYOR’S REPORT

Mr. Tarolli is not here this evening due to being in Jamaica. While there he has experienced a 7.7 earthquake. He and his wife are ok.

Bob Reynolds (family member of Matthews Boat Company) of Port Clinton will be presenting a video “The Maiden Voyage of the Onward”, on Thursday, February 20, 2020, 6:30 pm in the Linda Hartlaub City Council Chambers. This video provides a history of the Matthews Boat Company.

Ottawa County Improvement Corporation will be hosting their 2020 Business and Industry Awards on Wednesday, March 4, 2020, 5:30 p.m. – Venue: Camp Perry. Mayor Snider is unable to attend. Mayor Snider invited Council to attend in his absence.

Mayor Snider will be attending the Executive Steering Committee meeting on Wednesday, February 19, 2020, at Camp Perry. This is a group comprised of Military officials and those who organize the Rifle Matches at Camp Perry.

Thank you to Council and newly elected City officials for meeting with him recently to recap activities and plans for the City.

This past Saturday, January 25, 2020, there was a public meeting to focus on the “Attitude of the Citizens”. The hope is that the information gained there will help begin the process to develop a master plan for the City. Later Mayor Snider will present what he has compiled and ask Council for authorization to move forward with a multi-year master plan for the City.

Infrastructure Project: Plan A – everything above ground & Plan B – everything below ground: water, sewer and roads contributed to that. Plan B will be moving forward first. Mayor Snider asked Council to allow the Safety-Service Director to seek out and identify an engineer firm to create the detailed plans for Council to make a decision. In the future, Mayor Snider will be coming forward asking for financial obligation for the City to move forward with those plans.

AUDITOR'S REPORT

Mr. Hatfield distributed the month end reports to Council previously for December 2019.

Monday January 28, 2020, the State Auditor representative have been at City Hall conducting the required audit.

TREASURER'S REPORT

Bed Tax: \$2,949.46

LAW DIRECTOR REPORT

Mrs. Shenker advised the Council has an item to discuss regarding imminent court action – requesting that Council meet in executive session prior to the end of the meeting.

SAFETY SERVICE

Conducting second interviews tomorrow for Semi-Skilled Labor position. Anticipating starting the chosen employee on February 18, 2020.

Mr. Colston and Mrs. Sarty meet with the Lighthouse Conservancy and Jet Ski Race organizers. They are looking to have a combined event this August.

Thursday, January 30, 2020, Mr. Colston is attending the Spots Advisory Committee meeting at the Cedar Point Sports Sport Center.

Open Gym / Open Swim has been going well. \$3.00 person, \$7.00 family. The average attendance is 30 people.

2020 Activity Guide books are at the printer. They are due to be available to distribute in 2 weeks.

Mr. Below inquired what the objective is of the Cedar Point Sport Center visit. Mr. Colston advised the committee meets at different venues. Different opportunities are presented to the committee. That is how the Jet Ski race was referred to the City of Port Clinton. Mayor Snider stated it is a collaborative effort that has been brought together by the Lake Erie Island & Shores to bring all the sports resources available within Erie and Ottawa County.

POLICE CHIEF REPORT

Nothing to present

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Mr. Below: Finance Committee will consist of Mr. Below (chairman) and Mr. Tarolli. Economic & Community Development will consist of Mr. Below (chairperson), Ms. Hovis, and Mrs. Hickman. Will announce meetings as needed.

Mrs. Hickman: Environment & Public Works will consist of Mrs. Hickman (chairman), Mr. Hild, and Mr. Tarolli. The meeting dates have not been established as of yet.

Mrs. Gillman: Arts & Culture will consist of Mrs. Gillman (chairman), Ms. Hovis, and Mrs. Hickman. The first meeting will be February 25, 2020, 6:30 pm.

Madame President spoke on behalf of Ms. Phillips: Safety Services will consist of Ms. Phillips (chairman), Mrs. Gillman, and Ms. Hovis. The meetings will be held the second Tuesday of each month at 6:30 p.m.

CORRESPONDANCE

**Ohio Municipal League / Newly Elected Council Training Seminar
Cole Hatfield, Auditor / Month End Reports – December 2019**

Mr. Below moved to accept correspondence; seconded by Mrs. Hickman: all agreed.

THIRD READINGS None

SECOND READINGS None

FIRST READINGS None

BUSINESS FROM THE FLOOR Mr. Below moved to authorize Safety Service Director Colston and Auditor Hatfield to proceed with the water, sanitary and storm Infrastructure Project, Plan B to include resurfacing part of the project; seconded by Mrs. Hickman.. Results of a voice roll call are as follows: Below, yes; Hovis, yes; Gillman, yes; Hickman, yes; Hild, yes; Phillips, excused; Tarolli, excused.

Mr. Below moved to authorize Safety Service Director to seek out engineering firms to design the Infrastructure Project, Plan B; seconded by Mrs. Hickman. Results of a voice roll call are as follows: Below, yes; Hovis, yes; Gillman, yes; Hickman, yes; Hild, yes; Phillips, excused; Tarolli, excused.

Mr. Below moved to go into executive session to discuss imminent court action against the City; seconded by Mrs. Hickman. Results of a voice roll call are as follows: Below, yes; Hovis, yes; Gillman, yes; Hickman, yes; Hild, yes; Phillips, excused; Tarolli, excused. Executive session started at 7:52 p.m.

Mr. Below moved to return from executive session to the regular council meeting; seconded by Mrs. Hickman. Results of a voice roll call are as follows: Below, yes; Hovis, yes; Gillman, yes; Hickman, yes; Hild, yes; Phillips, excused; Tarolli, excused. Returned to regular council meeting at 8:25 p.m.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Mr. Below inquired how many resumes have been received for the Safety-Service Director position. Mayor Snider advised approximately twenty-five. Copies of the resumes will be provided to the six-member panel to review. The panel will meet Tuesday, February 4, 2020, to discuss. Mr. Below advised if an exceptional candidate were available, he would not be opposed to speaking to Mr. Hatfield about raising the cap on the salary for the position.

Mr. Hild – nothing to present

Mrs. Gillman – nothing to present

Mrs. Hovis – nothing to present

Mrs. Hickman – nothing to present

With no further business to discuss Mr. Below moved to adjourn; seconded by Mrs. Hickman. With all those in favor, the meeting was adjourned at 8:27 p.m.

Sandra Ostheimer
Clerk of Council

Lisa Sarty
President of Council