

**PORT CLINTON CITY COUNCIL MINUTES
REGULAR MEETING**

Due to the coronavirus pandemic the July 14, 2020, regular meeting of the Port Clinton City Council was held outside in the sally port near the police department rather than in the Linda Hartlaub City Hall Chambers, with Lisa Sarty, President of Council, presiding. The meeting opened at 7:30 p.m.

Mr. Below moved to waive opening formalities and proceed to roll call; seconded by Ms. Phillips: all agreed

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

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	<p>Reminded Council members that the ethics documentation is due tomorrow, July 15, 2020.</p> <p>Until further notice, Council meetings will be held at Lakeview Park Shelter House, 1100 E. Perry Street, Port Clinton, Ohio. Anyone attending will need to bring a chair for seating. If any committee chairmen decide to move their meetings to another venue, please advise the Clerk of Council to advertise appropriately.</p>
MAYOR’S REPORT	<p>Welcome back, Mrs. Ostheimer.</p> <p>Happy Birthday, Ms. Hovis.</p> <p>Earlier today, there was a conference call with the Corp of Engineers regarding the Wetlands. They have targeted the first week of August to work on the new section. The Corp of Engineers will be also be addressing some plantings this fall and continue to do so for the next couple of years.</p> <p>The City is working to have (4) Enhanced Cross Walks implemented throughout the City of Port Clinton. This is 100% funded by a grant with Ohio Department of Transportation. The City needs to supply traffic and pedestrian counts as part of the application. The City is asking volunteers to participate on Saturday, July 18, 2020, 8:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m. to assist in counting traffic and pedestrians. The four locations are City Beach, Jet-Express, Lakeshore Drive (between Dock’s Beach House and Mr. Ed’s), and the intersection of Portage Street / Fremont Road (school bus garage).</p> <p>Recently the City has had several sinkholes. Some are sewer related, storm sewer related and some water related. All are being addressed.</p> <p>Port Clinton 2020 Rewind Day activities are moving forward. However, it has been determined that the car show is on the prohibited list by the Ohio Health Department activities and has been cancelled. All other events are on schedule.</p>
AUDITOR’S REPORT	Not present
TREASURER’S REPORT	Mrs. Sarty announced the bed tax is currently \$42,952.01
LAW DIRECTOR REPORT	Not present
SAFETY SERVICE	Nothing to present
POLICE CHIEF REPORT	Not present

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Mr. Below:

Finance Committee: Coronavirus Relief Distribution Fund - the City will receive \$288,000.00 (from the County allocations). These funds will help offset the costs for PPE, cleaning supply, personnel costs (that are eligible), etc. that have been incurred

Economic & Community Development Committee: The committee earlier this evening discussed Ordinance 16-20. Tentatively there will be a July meeting, date yet to be determined.

Mrs. Hickman:

Environment & Public Works Committee: Monday, July 20, 2020, 6:00 p.m. the Beautification Committee meeting will be meeting at Lakeview Park Shelter House

Ms. Phillips:

Safety Services Committee: Nothing to report

Mrs. Gillman:

Arts & Culture Committee: Waiting for the ordinance regarding the old City Garage. Will be scheduling a meeting yet in July. The Greater Port Clinton Area Arts Council has put out a survey through surveymonkey.com to gather input on the development of the Port Clinton City Garage as a future hub for the arts. Encourage all to participate and share with family and friends within a 4-hour radius of the City.

CORRESPONDANCE

**Month End Reports – June 2020 – From Cole Hatfield
Census Port Clinton Progress & Contact Information letter**

Ms. Phillips moved to accept correspondence; seconded by Mrs. Hickman: all agreed.

THIRD READINGS

ORDINANCE 14-20

AN ORDINANCE VACATING THE EASTERLY 150 FEET OF AN UNNAMED ALLEY BETWEEN LOTS 4 AND 5, BLOCK 38, OF THE ORIGINAL PLAT OF THE CITY OF PORT CLINTON

Mr. Below moved to adopt Ordinance 14-20; second by Mr. Tarolli.
Results of a voice roll call are as follows: Below, yes; Hovis, yes; Gillman, yes; Phillips, yes; Tarolli, yes; Hickman, yes; Hild, excused. Motion carried, 6-0: per Mrs. Sarty.

SECOND READINGS

ORDINANCE 16-20

AN ORDINANCE CREATING A REVOLVING LOAN FUND TO ASSIST SMALL DOWNTOWN BUSINESSES LOCATED IN THE CITY OF PORT CLINTON, OHIO AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY

Mr. Below move to amend Ordinance 16-20; seconded by Mrs. Hickman.

Mr. Below moved to offer an amendment to Ordinance 16-20 as a substitute; seconded by Ms. Hickman.

Discussion: Mr. Below advised that the Economic and Community Development Committee meet earlier today and agreed to approve Ordinance 16-20 as amended.

The amendment is as follow:

Section 1: Broaden the scope of the ordinance to provide authorization for the revolving loan fund from only downtown to citywide. This is intended to set the topline parameters of the loan program: small businesses, as defined by SBA, within the city. This would not limit the lead donor's interest in lending to small businesses in downtown only.

Section 4: Authorize Council to appoint additional Board members if additional funds are provided outside the seed money received.

Section 6: Authorize loan forgiveness, in part, like the Paycheck Protection Program, and in full if warrant such forgiveness.

Section 7: Board should utilize a concise and easy-to complete loan application

Section 8: Board should promote the fund to minority-owned businesses.

Section 9: Add a reporting requirement – quarterly reports to Council on the activities and outcomes.

Results of a voice roll call are as follows: Below, yes; Hovis, yes; Gillman, yes; Phillips, yes; Tarolli, yes; Hickman, yes; Hild, excused. Motion carried 6-0: per Mrs. Sarty. Motion carried to offer an amendment to Ordinance 16-20 as a substitute, 6-0; per Mrs. Sarty.

Mr. Below moved to retain the emergency clause on Ordinance 16-20 as amended; seconded by Ms. Hovis. Results of a voice roll call are as follows: Below, yes; Hovis, yes; Gillman, yes; Phillips, yes; Tarolli, yes; Hickman, yes; Hild, excused. Motion carried to retain the emergency clause on Ordinance 16-20 as amended, 6-0: per Mrs. Sarty.

Mr. Below move to waive the three required readings Ordinance 16-20 as amended; seconded by Mr. Tarolli

Discussion: Mr. Below, the Economic & Community Development Committee meet earlier this evening and agreed to waive the three reading as requested by donor.

Mayor Snider advised Joy Roth of the Ottawa County Community Foundation advised that there was an individual who wanted to donate \$25,000.00 to help the City of Port Clinton. After many discussions a Revolving Loan Fund was established. The goal is to get the money into the hands of those who need it as quickly as possible. A Board will be developed to get this moving faster rather than slower.

Results of a voice roll call are as follows: Below, yes; Hovis, yes; Gillman, yes; Phillips, yes; Tarolli, yes; Hickman, yes; Hild, excused. Motion to waive three required reading of Ordinance 16-20 as amended carried 6-0: per Mrs. Sarty.

Mr. Below move to adopt Ordinance 16-20 as amended; seconded by Mrs. Hickman. Results of a voice roll call are as follows: Below, yes; Hovis, yes; Gillman, yes; Phillips, yes; Tarolli, yes; Hickman, yes; Hild, excused. Motion carried to adopt Ordinance 16-20 as amended 6-0 carried: per Mrs. Sarty.

FIRST READINGS

None

BUSINESS FROM THE FLOOR

Mr. Below– nothing to present

Ms. Phillips – nothing to present

Mr. Gillman – nothing to present

Mr. Hickman – nothing to present

Mr. Tarolli - gave his time to Mr. Holman of the Tree Commission

Mr. Holman advised that Arbor Day would be observed on Saturday, August 1, 2020, 5:00 p.m. at Waterworks Park.

ANNOUNCEMENTS None

ADJOURNMENT

With no further business to discuss Ms. Phillips moved to adjourn; seconded by Mr. Below. With all those in favor, the meeting was adjourned at 7:55 p.m.

Sandra Ostheimer
Clerk of Council

Lisa Sarty
President of Council