

FINDLAY CITY COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES

REGULAR SESSION

JANUARY 5, 2021

COUNCIL CHAMBERS

ROLL CALL of 2020-2021 Councilmembers:

PRESENT: Greeno, Haas, Hellmann, Niemeyer, Palmer, Russel, Shindledecker, Slough, Warnecke, Wobser

ABSENT: none

President of Council Harrington lead the meeting with the Pledge of Allegiance followed by a moment of silence.

ACCEPTANCE/CHANGES TO PREVIOUS CITY COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES:

- Councilman Slough moved to accept the December 15, 2020 Public Hearing meeting minutes to rezone 726 South Blanchard Street rezone via Ordinance No. 2020-134, seconded by Councilman Palmer. All were in favor. Motion carried. Filed.
- Councilman Slough moved to accept the December 15, 2020 Regular Session City Council meeting minutes, Councilman Greeno seconded the motion. All were in favor. Motion carried. Filed.

ADD-ON/REPLACEMENT/REMOVAL FROM THE AGENDA: none

PROCLAMATIONS: none

RECOGNITION/RETIREMENT RESOLUTIONS: none

ORAL COMMUNICATIONS:

John and Deb Seng filled out an Oral Communications form, but do not wish to speak. Instead, they requested President of Council Harrington inform Council that they are here tonight representing a Sanctuary City and welcome any comments or questions for them after tonight's meeting. Ms. Seng, from the audience, noted that Sanctuary City is part of the second (2nd) Amendment.

PETITIONS: none

WRITTEN COMMUNICATIONS: none

REPORTS OF MUNICIPAL OFFICERS AND MUNICIPAL DEPARTMENTS:

Officer/Shareholders Disclosure Form from the Ohio Department of Commerce Division of Liquor Control for West End Tavern II Incorporated, located at 506 West Main Cross Street, Findlay, Ohio for a D2, D2X, and D3 liquor permit. This requires a vote of Council.

Robert K. Ring, Chief of Police – West End Tavern II Incorporated, dba West End Tavern, located at 506 West Main Cross Street, Findlay, Ohio. A check of the records shows no criminal record on the following:

Shawnda D. Lehman

Councilman Slough moved for no objections be filed, seconded by Councilman Wobser. All were in favor. Filed.

Officer/Shareholders Disclosure Form from the Ohio Department of Commerce Division of Liquor Control for Jay Petroleum Incorporated, located at 2451 Tiffin Avenue, Unit A, Findlay, Ohio for a C1 and C2 liquor permit. This requires a vote of Council.

Robert K. Ring, Chief of Police – Jay Petroleum Incorporated, located at 2451 Tiffin Avenue, Unit A, Findlay, Ohio. A check of the records shows no criminal record on the following:

Christopher Braun

Ronald Freeman

Joday R. Auker

Kevin Huffman

Councilman Wobser moved for no objections be filed, seconded by Councilman Slough. All were in favor. Filed.

Officer/Shareholders Disclosure Form from the Ohio Department of Commerce Division of Liquor Control for Jay Petroleum Incorporated dba Northside Party Mart, located at 3900 Ventura Drive & Drive Thru, Findlay, Ohio for a C1, C2, D6 liquor permit. This requires a vote of Council.

Robert K. Ring, Chief of Police – Jay Petroleum Incorporated dba Northside Party Mart, located at 3900 Ventura Drive & Drive Thru, Findlay, Ohio. A check of the records shows no criminal record on the following:

Christopher Braun

Ronald Freeman

Joday R. Auker

Kevin Huffman

Councilman Slough moved for no objections be filed, seconded by Councilman Hellmann. All were in favor. Filed.

Officer/Shareholders Disclosure Form from the Ohio Department of Commerce Division of Liquor Control for Jay Petroleum Incorporated, located at 1100 Trenton Avenue, Findlay, Ohio for a C1, C2, D6 liquor permit. This requires a vote of Council.

Robert K. Ring, Chief of Police – Jay Petroleum Incorporated, located at 1100 Trenton Avenue, Findlay, Ohio. A check of the records shows no criminal record on the following:

Christopher Braun
Ronald Freeman
Joday R. Auken
Kevin Huffman

Councilman Slough moved for no objections be filed, seconded by Councilman Palmer. All were in favor. Filed.

City Engineer Thomas – 2021 early projects

There are several projects that will be included in the 2021 Capital Improvement Plan that Engineering would like to be able to bid as soon as possible or would like to obtain design funds appropriated into the project so that the design can be completed in order for construction to begin at the appropriate time of the year. Legislation authorizing the Mayor and/or City Engineer to advertise for bids and enter into contracts for construction, and to appropriate and transfer funds is requested. Ordinance No. 2021-003 was created.

FROM:	CIT Fund – Capital Improvement Restricted Account	\$ 151,000.00
TO:	2021 Street Preventative Maintenance <i>Project No. 32810400</i>	\$ 50,000.00
TO:	2021 Annual Street Resurfacing/Curb Repairs <i>Project No. 32810900</i>	\$ 500.00
TO:	West Main Cross Corridor Study <i>Project No. 32811000</i>	\$ 500.00
TO:	North Apron Rehabilitation (Pavement) <i>Project No. 35210500</i>	\$ 100,000.00
FROM:	Sewer Fund	\$ 50,000.00
TO:	2021 Annual Sewer & Manhole Lining Program <i>Project No. 35610600</i>	\$ 5,000.00
TO:	2021 Annual Sewer Televising Program <i>Project No. 35610800</i>	\$ 5,000.00
TO:	2021 Annual Combined Sewer Overflow (CSO LTCP) <i>Project No. 35610700</i>	\$ 40,000.00
FROM:	Sewer Fund – Stormwater Restricted Account	\$ 75,000.00
TO:	Harrison Avenue Drainage Project <i>Project No. 35510200</i>	\$ 25,000.00
TO:	Lake Cascades Stormwater Pump Station Improvements <i>Project No. 35510300</i>	\$ 50,000.00

Filed.

COMMITTEE REPORTS: none

LEGISLATION:

RESOLUTIONS:

RESOLUTION NO. 001-2021 (*Internet auctions - authorization to use*) **requires one (1) reading** **first reading - adopted**
A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE SALE OF PERSONAL PROPERTY WHICH IS NOT NEEDED FOR PUBLIC USE, OR IS OBSOLETE OR UNFIT FOR THE USE FOR WHICH IT WAS ACQUIRED, BY INTERNET AUCTION, AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

Councilman Slough moved to adopt the Resolution, seconded by Councilman Haas. Ayes: Greeno, Haas, Hellmann, Niemeyer, Palmer, Russel, Shindledecker, Slough, Warnecke, Wobser. The Resolution was declared adopted and is recorded in Resolution Volume XXXIV, and is hereby made a part of the record.

RESOLUTION NO. 002-2021 (*advances on County tax settlements*) **requires three (3) readings** **first reading**
A RESOLUTION REQUESTING THE COUNTY AUDITOR TO MAKE TAX ADVANCES DURING THE YEAR 2021 PURSUANT TO OHIO REVISED CODE §321.34.

First reading of the Resolution.

RESOLUTION NO. 003-2021 (*No PO*) **requires one (1) reading** **first reading - adopted**
A RESOLUTION APPROVING THE EXPENDITURES MADE BY THE AUDITORS OFFICE ON THE ATTACHED LIST OF VOUCHERS WHICH EITHER EXCEED THE PURCHASE ORDER OR WERE INCURRED WITHOUT A PURCHASE ORDER EXCEEDING THE STATUTORY LIMIT OF THREE THOUSAND DOLLARS (\$3000.00) ALL IN ACCORDANCE WITH OHIO REVISED CODE 5705.41(D).

Councilman Wobser moved to adopt the Resolution, seconded by Councilman Greeno. Ayes: Haas, Hellmann, Niemeyer, Palmer, Russel, Shindledecker, Slough, Warnecke, Wobser, Greeno. The Resolution was declared adopted and is recorded in Resolution Volume XXXIV, and is hereby made a part of the record.

ORDINANCES:

ORDINANCE NO. 2021-001 (*appropriations for current expenses & other expenditures for 2021*) **requires three (3) readings** **first reading - adopted**
AN ORDINANCE TO MAKE APPROPRIATIONS AND TRANSFERS WHERE NECESSARY FOR CURRENT EXPENSES AND OTHER EXPENDITURES OF THE CITY OF FINDLAY, OHIO, DURING FISCAL YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 2021, AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

Councilman Russel moved to suspend the statutory rules and give the Ordinance its second and third readings, seconded by Councilman Shindledecker. Ayes: Hellmann, Niemeyer Palmer, Russel, Shindledecker, Slough, Warnecke, Wobser, Greeno, Haas. The Ordinance received its second and third readings. Councilman Greeno moved to adopt the Ordinance, seconded by Councilman Wobser. Ayes: Niemeyer, Palmer, Russel, Shindledecker, Slough, Warnecke, Wobser, Greeno, Haas, Hellmann. The Ordinance was declared adopted and is recorded in Ordinance Volume XXI, Page 2021-001 and is hereby made a part of the record.

ORDINANCE NO. 2021-002 (*Sewer Fund*) **requires three (3) readings** **first reading - adopted**
AN ORDINANCE APPROPRIATING FUNDS AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

Councilman Russel moved to suspend the statutory rules and give the Ordinance its second and third readings, seconded by Councilman Hellmann. Ayes: Palmer, Russel, Shindledecker, Slough, Warnecke, Wobser, Greeno, Haas, Hellmann, Niemeyer. The Ordinance received its second and third readings. Councilman Shindledecker moved to adopt the Ordinance, seconded by Councilman Wobser. Ayes: Russel, Shindledecker, Slough, Warnecke, Wobser, Greeno, Haas, Hellmann, Niemeyer, Palmer. The Ordinance was declared adopted and is recorded in Ordinance Volume XXI, Page 2021-002 and is hereby made a part of the record.

ORDINANCE NO. 2021-003 (*2021 Capital Improvements Plan*) **requires three (3) readings** **first reading - adopted**
AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE SERVICE DIRECTOR OF THE CITY OF FINDLAY, OHIO TO ADVERTISE FOR BIDS WHERE REQUIRED AND ENTER INTO A CONTRACT OR CONTRACTS FOR CONSTRUCTION OF VARIOUS PROJECTS, APPROPRIATING AND TRANSFERRING FUNDS FOR SAID CAPITAL EXPENDITURES, AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

Councilman Russel moved to suspend the statutory rules and give the Ordinance its second and third readings, seconded by Councilman Greeno. Ayes: Shindledecker, Slough, Warnecke, Wobser, Greeno, Haas, Hellmann, Niemeyer, Palmer, Russel. The Ordinance received its second and third readings. Councilman Wobser moved to adopt the Ordinance, seconded by Councilman Hellmann. Ayes: Slough, Warnecke, Wobser, Greeno, Haas, Hellmann, Niemeyer, Palmer, Russel, Shindledecker. The Ordinance was declared adopted and is recorded in Ordinance Volume XXI, Page 2021-003 and is hereby made a part of the record.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

OLD BUSINESS: none.

NEW BUSINESS:

Mayor Muryn noted that Ordinance No. 2020-001 (annual budget) and Ordinance No. 2020-002 (Sewer Fund) are routine budget items to start off the year. While those two (2) pieces of legislation were not discussed in length tonight, they were addressed during the two (2) budget hearings last year. She thanked those that participated in the virtual budget hearings and asked for input of any issues anyone had with them as they will most likely be conducted the same way in future years as it is a great way to share the budget hearings with the community.

Mayor Muryn informed Council that Main Street mid-blocks have been updated with push buttons which had been an ongoing issue between contractors, suppliers, etc. She thanked Safety Director Schmelzer for getting them upgraded to a more reliable system at little cost to the City.

Mayor Muryn noted that there has not been any substantial increases in COVID-19 hospitalizations, but there have been minor increases. The Administration will continue to monitor it making sure the community is in a good spot. While everyone is anxious to get the vaccination in an attempt to allow everything to open back up and get back to normal, we still have a way to go. She thanked everyone for continuing to wear masks and social distance when possible while keeping in mind everyone's current health conditions. She thanked the Health Department and the hospital for working tirelessly to get the vaccine distributed. There currently is a very limited supply that is getting pushed out to many of the EMS personnel, Physicians, First Responders, Firefighters and Police Officers. The vaccine will be eventually be available to the community for those who would like to have it.

Mayor Muryn noted that Resolution No. 001-2021 is for the City to be able to place items on the internet auction. It is a blanket Resolution that allows the City to advertise items throughout the year.

Councilman Greeno: **WATER AND SEWER COMMITTEE** meeting on February 3, 2021 at 5:00pm in the
agenda: 1. Bluebonnet/Bittersweet sewer project
2. Twp Rd 212 possible project

Councilman Russel moved to adjourn, seconded by Councilman Shindledecker. All were in favor. Meeting adjourned at 7:17pm.

CLERK OF COUNCIL

COUNCIL PRESIDENT