FINDLAY CITY COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES

REGULAR SESSION MAY 3, 2022 **COUNCIL CHAMBERS**

ROLL CALL of 2022-2023 Councilmembers:

PRESENT: Bauman, Greeno, Hellmann, Niemeyer, Slough, Warnecke, Wisener, Wobser

ABSENT: Palmer, Russel

President of Council Harrington pointed out that Councilman Palmer and Councilman Russel informed him that they would not be in attendance tonight. Councilwoman Warnecke moved to excuse Councilman Palmer and Councilman Russel, seconded by Councilman Greeno. All were in favor. Filed.

ADD-ON/REPLACEMENT/REMOVAL FROM THE AGENDA:

Councilman Wobser moved to replace the following on tonight's agenda, seconded by Councilman Slough. All were in favor. Filed.

1. Ordinance No. 2022-037 (LEGISLATION section) - West Lincoln Street Storm Sewer & Washington Street Storm Sewer Funding Source correction.

• SECTION 1:

FROM: Washington Street Storm Sewer Upgrades, Project No. 35521700-\$ 20,000.00

TO: Sewer Fund \$ 20,000.00

to now be

\$ 20,000.00 FROM: Washington Street Storm Sewer Upgrades, Project No. 35512100

TO: Sewer Fund \$ 20,000.00

President of Council Harrington opened the meeting with the Pledge of Allegiance and a moment of silence.

ACCEPTANCE/CHANGES TO PREVIOUS CITY COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES:

Councilman Slough moved to accept the April 19, 2022 Regular Session City Council meeting minutes, seconded by Councilman Bauman. All were in favor. Motion carried. Filed.

PROCLAMATIONS: none

RECOGNITION/RETIREMENT RESOLUTIONS: none

PETITIONS: none

ORAL COMMUNICATIONS: 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 Bakers Café LLC, 408 South Main Street, Suite B, Findlay, Ohio for a D2 liquor permit. This requires a vote of Council.

Robert K. Ring, Chief of Police – Bakers Café LLC, 408 South Main Street, Suite B, Findlay, Ohio. A check of the records shows no current criminal record on the following:

Lisa M. Allen

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

Board of Zoning Appeals minutes – February 10, 2022. Filed.

Traffic Commission minutes - April 18, 2022. Filed.

2022 Annual Street Resurfacing/Curb Repairs, Contract B (asphalt), Project No. 32820500

Ordinance No. 2022-004 authorized a bid opening that was held for this project on March 16, 2022. Bids were received from three (3) potential contractors with bid amounts ranging from \$564,305.00 to \$695,638.25. The lowest and best bid was received from M&B Asphalt Co., Inc. of Tiffin, Ohio. This is the asphalt portion of the annual street resurfacing that the City of Findlay bids out annually. The concrete portion of the work has already been appropriated and the work is currently underway. An appropriation of funds is now needed for construction, inspection and contingency in order to complete the project. Legislation to appropriate and transfer funds is requested. Ordinance No. 2022-036 was created.

FROM: CIT Fund – Capital Improvements Restricted Account \$ 548,000.00

TO: 2022 Annual Street Resurfacing/Curb Repairs, Project No. 32820500 \$ 548,000.00

Discussion:

Councilman Wobser asked what the bid amount is that was accepted for M&B Asphalt Co., Inc. City Engineer Kalb replied it was around five hundred fifty thousand dollars (\$550,000.00). He does not have the exact amount in front of him right now. He is asking to appropriate five hundred fifty thousand dollars (\$548,000.00) in this Ordinance because he appropriated extra on the first appropriation Ordinance request because he was unsure of alternates at that point. This appropriation request and what is left from the first appropriation is enough funds to cover. Filed.

City Engineer Kalb - West Lincoln Street Storm Sewer (35521700) & Washington Street Storm Sewer (35512100) Funding Source Correction

Money was appropriated into two (2) separate projects from the Sewer Fund instead of the Stormwater Restricted account via Ordinance No. 2022-025. Since both of these projects are storm sewer projects, the appropriated money will need to come from the Stormwater Restricted Account. To ensure the correct funds are being used, the previous money will need to be de-appropriated back into the Sewer Fund and new funds will need to be appropriated into these projects from the Stormwater Restricted Account. Legislation to de-appropriate, appropriate and transfer funds is requested. Ordinance No. 2022-037 was created.

de-appropriation:

FROM: West Lincoln Street Storm Sewer, Project No. 35521700 \$ 20,000.00

TO: Sewer Fund \$ 20,000.00

FROM: Washington Street Storm Sewer Upgrades, *Project No. 35512100* \$ 20,000.00

TO: Sewer Fund \$ 20,000.00

appropriation and transfer:

FROM: Sewer Fund – Stormwater Restricted Account \$40,000.00

TO: West Lincoln Street Storm Sewer, *Project No. 35521700* \$ 20,000.00

TO: Washington Street Storm Sewer Upgrades, *Project No. 35512100* \$ 20,000.00

Discussion:

Councilman Wobser asked if this request is to simply put funds back into the Sewer Fund and then taking funds out of the Restricted Account. City Engineer Kalb replied that is correct. It puts funds back in the Sewer Fund out of the Stormwater Fund because for some stormwater projects. Councilman Wobser asked if it is just moving funds around. City Engineer Kalb replied that is correct. Filed.

City Planning Commission agenda - May 11, 2022. Filed.

COMMITTEE REPORTS: none

LEGISLATION:

RESOLUTIONS:

RESOLUTION NO. 013-2022 (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 Slough moved to adopt the Resolution, seconded by Councilman Hellmann. Ayes: Bauman, Greeno, Hellmann, Niemeyer, Slough, Warnecke, Wisener, Wobser. The Resolution was declared adopted and is recorded in Resolution Volume XXXV, and is hereby made a part of the record.

ORDINANCES:

ORDINANCE NO. 2022-026 (utility location pickup replacement) requires three (3) readings

third reading - adopted

AN ORDINANCE APPROPRIATING AND TRANSFERRING FUNDS, AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

Councilman Greeno moved to adopt the Ordinance, seconded by Councilman Slough. Ayes: Greeno, Hellman, Niemeyer, Slough, Warnecke, Wisener, Wobser, Bauman. The Ordinance was declared adopted and is recorded in Ordinance Volume XXIII, Page 2022-026 and is hereby made a part of the record.

ORDINANCE NO. 2022-034 (McLane Dr ROW vacation) requires three (3) readings

second reading

AN ORDINANCE VACATING A CERTAIN PORTION OF AN EXISTING ROAD RIGHT-OF-WAY OF MCLANE DRIVE, THE VERY SOUTHERN END OF THE ROADWAY IN THE CUL-DE-SAC AREA (HEREINAFTER REFERED TO AS THE MCLANE DRIVE RIGHT-OF-WAY VACATION) IN THE CITY OF FINDLAY, OHIO.

Second reading of the Ordinance.

ORDINANCE NO. 2022-035 (continue Workers Compensation programs) requires three (3) readings

first reading

AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR OF THE CITY OF FINDLAY, OHIO TO ENROLL THE CITY OF FINDLAY IN THE BUREAU OF WORKER'S COMPENSATION (BWC) GROUP RETROSPECTIVE RATING PLAN, AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

First reading of the Ordinance.

ORDINANCE NO. 2022-036 (2022 annual street resurfacing/curb repairs) requires three (3) readings

first reading

AN ORDINANCE APPROPRIATING AND TRANSFERRING FUNDS, AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

First reading of the Ordinance.

ORDINANCE NO. 2022-037 first reading - adopted

(W Lincoln St Storm Sewer & Washington St Storm Sewer Funding Source correction) requires three (3) readings
AN ORDINANCE DE-APPROPRIATING, APPROPRIATING AND TRANSFERRING FUNDS, AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

Councilman Wobser moved to suspend the statutory rules and give the Ordinance its second and third readings, seconded by Councilman Greeno. Ayes: Hellmann, Niemeyer, Slough, Warnecke, Wisener, Wobser, Bauman, Greeno. The Ordinance received its second and third readings. Councilman Greeno moved to adopt the Ordinance, seconded by Councilman Wisener. Ayes: Niemeyer, Slough, Warnecke, Wisener, Wobser, Bauman, Greeno, Hellmann. The Ordinance was declared adopted and is recorded in Ordinance Volume XXIII, Page 2022-037 and is hereby made a part of the record.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS: none

NEW BUSINESS:

Councilman Hellmann asked Law Director Rasmussen (in the audience) if he is going make any comment about the packets that they received (physically lifted the packet from his Council seat). Law Director Rasmussen replied he will not comment except that that he has a meeting with the attorneys tomorrow.

Service-Safety Director Martin informed Council that a storm came through Findlay this evening that came on very quickly, not allowing the National Weather Service to provide an early heads up on it. The City Administration has had great communications with the Hancock County Sheriff's Office, Emergency Management Agency (EMA), and Fire Department. This storm came on very quick that was not anticipated to do what it did. The City Street Department and other departments are currently out cleaning up debris. There are a few trees down, one being on a house which is an unsafe situation, so the City Street Department is taking it down, but will probably require a contractor to take care of it tonight. Being an unsafe situation, it will need to be addressed tonight. It is something the City likes to do ahead of time, but in this situation, it is warranted that it be addressed tonight. From what he assessed so far tonight driving around, Findlay weathered pretty well in this storm.

Mayor Muryn added that City crews, including Police and Fire got alerts out, communicated with each other and the Hancock County Sheriff's Office, as well as went out into the storm to spot inclement weather while keeping an eye out for any changes in weather patterns. It was very interesting to watch them do their work before, throughout, and after the storm. A handful of individuals also took shelter in the Municipal Building's basement during the storm.

Mayor Muryn informed Council that the City received funding for the Greenway Trail Part III which will be from 236 to Riverbend Park which is part of the multi-year plan to connect it. She will provide more information as details come in. Councilman Hellmann asked what the grant amount for the trail is. City Engineer Kalb replied it is eight hundred twenty-three thousand six hundred twenty-four dollars (\$823,624.00). The Ohio Department of Transportation (ODOT) will fund ninety percent (90%) of the project.

Mayor Muryn informed Council that she has more FINDLAYForward pens, cards, and meeting in a box kits to give out as a final push to get individuals more engaged. The program is approximately one hundred sixty-six (166) people short of reaching the target goal of one thousand individuals involved. She asked Council to continue to get the message out that the survey is available. She has a couple "meeting in a box" kits left if there are any small groups of people that want to do that.

Mayor Muryn reminded Council that an email went out to Councilmembers about Spring Lake and a notice that went out to those customers that the City of Findlay was going to be taking over their billing. The City is working with the EPA on what the communication back to the residents will be that was sent out without the EPA or the City of Findlay's approval. The City is not taking over billing of that system yet and still has a couple of steps in getting that system up to the City's standards before looking at taking it over and doing any potential billings. She will provide updates to Council while they work through what the communication back to citizens needs to be.

Councilman Wobser apologized for tonight's City Council meeting starting late. Tonight's STRATEGIC PLANNING COMMITTEE meeting ran over causing Councilmembers and the Administration to be late to tonight's City Council meeting.

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