

# FINDLAY CITY COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES

REGULAR SESSION

AUGUST 4, 2020

COUNCIL CHAMBERS

## ROLL CALL of 2020-2021 Councilmembers:

**PRESENT:** Greeno, Haas, Niemeyer, Russel, Shindledecker, Slough, Warnecke, Wobser

**ABSENT:** Hellmann, Palmer

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

President of Council Harrington opened the meeting with the Pledge of Allegiance followed by a moment of silence in memory of former Service-Safety Director David Wobser, father of current Councilmember Jeff Wobser.

## ACCEPTANCE/CHANGES TO PREVIOUS CITY COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES:

- Councilman Slough moved to accept the July 21, 2020 Regular Session City Council meeting minutes, Councilman Greeno seconded the motion. All were in favor. Motion carried. Filed.
- Councilman Slough moved to accept the July 21, 2020 Public Hearing meeting minutes to rezone 253, 251, and 0 Madison Avenue rezone via Ordinance No. 2020-069, seconded by Councilman Niemeyer. All were in favor. Motion carried. Filed.

## ADD-ON/REPLACEMENT/REMOVAL FROM THE AGENDA:

Councilman Russel moved to add-on the following on tonight's agenda, seconded by Councilman Slough. All were in favor. Motion carried. Filed.

### ADD-ONS:

- Ordinance No. 2020-093 – extend current contract for City insurance policies (*LEGISLATION section*).

**PROCLAMATIONS:** none

**RECOGNITION/RETIREMENT RESOLUTIONS:** none

**ORAL COMMUNICATIONS:** none

## PETITIONS:

### Alley vacation request – Lake Cascade Parkway

Van Horn, Hoover & Associates, Inc. President Daniel R. Stone, P.E., P.S. on behalf of Jack Jay McCracken, is requesting to vacate a portion of the northern Right of Way of Lake Cascades Parkway in the vicinity of Cooper Tire and Rubber Company. Referred to City Planning Commission and Planning & Zoning Committee. Filed.

## WRITTEN COMMUNICATIONS:

### Hancock County Landfill Mollie Welly, SWMD Clerk – Hancock County Solid Waste Management Plan 5 Year

The Hancock County Solid Waste Management District (SWMD) has completed the DRAFT Solid Waste Management Plan 5 year update. The plan was subject to public comment from June 23 to July 23. No comments were received during that time. On July 23, the Hancock County SWMD held a public meeting to discuss the plan and receive comments. There were no attendees from the public at this meeting. At this time, the Hancock County SWMD is seeking to ratify the updated Solid Waste Plan. Attached to this memo is suggested language for a resolution/ordinance that you can use to approve the plan update. The plan must be ratified by Hancock County legislative authorities that represent sixty percent (60%) of the Hancock County population or greater. The Hancock County SWMD encourages all legislative authorities in Hancock County to ratify the 2020 Hancock County Solid Waste Management Plan. The current Hancock County population total is estimated at 75,783 and the total for sixty percent (60%) representation is 45,470. Each Hancock County legislative authority received a packet of information about the Plan Update and a CD copy of the Solid Waste Management Plan Update. The SWMD is striving to have the plan ratified by the end of August. Ordinance No. 2020-086 was created. Filed.

**REPORTS OF MUNICIPAL OFFICERS AND MUNICIPAL DEPARTMENTS:**

**Law Director Rasmussen – funds for 2020 Legal/Financial Services object code 441400 via Ordinance No. 2020-085**

Fifty thousand dollars (\$50,000.00) was budgeted for 2020 Law Director Legal/Financial Services. Approximately thirty thousand dollars (\$30,000.00) has already been encumbered for an outstanding case, along with just under twenty thousand dollars (\$20,000.00) in other litigation matters. Approximately eight hundred dollars (\$800.00) is left in this object code for the remainder of the year. An additional thirty thousand dollars (\$30,000.00) is requested to pay upcoming unknown invoices. Ordinance No. 2020-085 was created.

FROM:	General Fund	\$ 30,000.00
TO:	Law Director #21005000-other	\$ 30,000.00

**City Planning Commission agenda – August 13, 2020; minutes – July 9, 2020.** Filed.

**Mayor Muryn – 2<sup>nd</sup> qtr 2020 Key Performance Indicators (KPIs)**

The second quarter Key Performance Indicators or “KPIs have been compiled and the summary report has been prepared. They are the performance measurements that are monitored for each department on a continuous basis. The full KPI document “Findlay Performs” can also be found on the City website: <https://www.findlayohio.com/performance>.

These KPIs are a critical tool used to measure service delivery and operational effectiveness of the City. They indicate the progress towards goals set for continuous improvement.

Discussion:

Councilman Wobser asked what measures are in place for the unaccounted water usage that appears to be on a steep incline. Mayor Muryn replied it is something that the Administration has been monitoring closely and are currently investigating all of the commercial water meters to find out why there has been an increase in mass water revenue that has been climbing over the last couple of months and do not have a clear reason why at this point. They are looking into a number of measures, one of which involves using a drone to look at the temperature changes and look the system over (i.e. changes in pressure, etc.), but are not seeing any changes in the system. They are unsure if it is a calibration issue or due to lost water. They are continuing to investigate it.

Councilman Wobser noted that it appears that the City was lagging in 2019 and 2020 versus 2017 and 2018 numbers of cleaning sanitary storm sewers and catch basins and asked if that means the City did really well during those two (2) years or if there is an issue during those years. He asked if the City is getting behind and if that is something the City wants to get behind on. Service Director/Acting City Engineer Thomas replied it is something he is working on. The issue is that City crews do not always have time to do the cleaning and televising, so it would not be done daily. If the City crews already have a large street project going on and have to stop to replace catch basins, it takes them away from that work. There is a preconstruction meeting on Thursday for the project this year. They are currently finishing up the lighting project from last year, so those numbers are not in there yet which will bring that number up. It is just a matter of the decision to do “A” or “B”. Councilman Wobser asked if it is a manpower issue. Service Director/Acting City Engineer Thomas replied that is correct. Councilman Wobser asked if this is something that can be put off or if it will have a long term effect if the catch basin cleaning is put off. Service Director/Acting City Engineer Thomas replied that the catch basin cleaning is not as big of a deal as televising storm sewers. Issues found while televising storm sewers are that there are some sewers that are broken, so the main focus is in repairing them. The catch basins all have sumps in them that are two feet (2’) below the pipe that fills up with water and allows debris to settle int. The actual cleaning of them gets that out and keeps it out of the pipe. If they fill up, there will be some sediment in the pipe, but is better than not looking at them and not knowing what the condition of them are, so televising is a bigger issue than cleaning them out. Councilman Wobser asked if the City does not take care of that issue now if it will cause a long term problem. Service Director/Acting City Engineer Thomas replied that if it gets to the point that there will be long term issues, Council will know about it. While not everyone agreed with him to get the streets rated, he went ahead and did it in order to focus on putting funds into street repairs. He did something similar with the waterline as it is more probability-based than statistically-based because waterlines in the ground are not visible versus the sewer lines, so he is focusing on the sewers. He will not let things go that will cause a long term effect.

Councilman Russel asked how long it will take to have all sewers in the City looked at. Service Director/Acting City Engineer Thomas replied that the rotation for televising is approximately eight (8) years to clean them all. He would like to get the televising of them done as soon as possible. Councilman Russel pointed out that previous discussions were to televise the entire City in ten (10) year rotations. He asked how far behind the City is. Service Director/Acting City Engineer Thomas replied that he plans to be done with televising in the timeframe he mentioned earlier, if not sooner. The preconstruction meeting coming up this week will spend twice the money that was spent last year to get everything televised which is a big help and will knock a bunch of it out. Televising needs to be done and is not hurting detrimentally. Councilman Russel noted that previous Councils have been very supportive of that effort.

Councilman Greeno asked if the televising work is being done by an outside contractor. Service Director/Acting City Engineer Thomas replied that correct. Part of it was contracted out last year to help speed up all the viewing that it takes. This is the third (3<sup>rd</sup>) year it has been done. It had always been done by City employees before that, but that they sometimes have other jobs to do. For example, if City crews receive a call that there is sewage backing up in a basement, they have to go to that call which takes away their time for televising work. A preconstruction meeting is being done by an outside contractor to help get that time cut down. Councilman Greeno asked if by having outside contractors do the work if it will open up more time for dedicated storm sewer and catch basin cleaning that needs done the rest of the year. Service Director/Acting City Engineer Thomas replied that is correct. Filed.

**Safety Director Schmelzer – BWC Safety Intervention Grant (FFD)**

Ordinance No. 2020-031 was passed in March authorizing the City to pursue a Bureau of Worker’s Compensation Safety Intervention Grant (SIG). The City was successful in obtaining the grant funds. Three thousand dollars (\$3,000) from the General Fund and two thousand eight dollars (\$2,800) from the Fire Department Small Equipment budget were approved as the twenty-five percent (25%) grant match. The City will receive approximately fifteen thousand dollars (\$15,000) to purchase hydraulic equipment to help with extricating accident victims in addition to hose management equipment. Resolution No. 022-2020 and Ordinance No. 2020-087 were created.

Resolution No. 022-2020

FROM:	Fire Department #21014000-other	\$ 2,008.75
TO:	2020 BWC Safety Intervention Grant <i>Project No. 31903200</i>	\$ 2,008.75

Ordinance No. 2020-087

FROM:	BWC Safety Intervention Grant	\$ 15,026.25
FROM:	General Fund	\$ 3,000.00
TO:	2020 BWC Safety Intervention Grant <i>Project No. 31903200</i>	\$ 18,026.25

Filed.

**Mayor Muryn – Findlay Reservoir #1 State of Ohio Cooperative Fishing Agreement**

The City of Findlay entered into a Cooperative Fishing Agreement at Findlay Reservoir #1 with the State of Ohio. Department of Natural Resources, Division of Wildlife for the period of twenty-five (25) years being effective from August 15, 2020 through August 15, 2045. Legislation authorizing the Mayor to enter into an agreement with the State of Ohio is requested. Resolution No. 023-2020 was created.

Discussion:

Councilman Wobser pointed out that the agreement appears as though the State can back out of this agreement whenever they want and asked if the City has the ability to back out of it whenever we want. Mayor Muryn replied that if there is a concern, whether it be environmentally or water quality-wise, the City will want to address it. It is a standard agreement that the City has been in for the last twenty (20) years. It is unlikely the City can do much to change it, but if there are any issues or concerns with it, there would be an equal understanding between the two (2) entities. Filed.

**Hancock Regional Planning Commission Director Matt Cordonnier – City of Findlay RLF – Penrose Public Infrastructure #35702700**

By authorization of Ordinance No. 2020-017, a bid opening was held for this project on July 16, 2020. Bids were received from three (3) potential contractors with bid amounts ranging from \$60,136 to \$76,607.13. The lowest and best bid was received from R.D. Jones Excavation Inc. of Harrod, Ohio. The project is being paid for with City Revolving Loan Fund Dollars as authorized by Ordinance No. 2020-017. An appropriation for construction, inspection and contingency is needed to complete the project. Legislation to authorize the City Auditor to draw funds from the Fifth Third Bank is requested. Ordinance No. 2020-088 was created.

FROM:	Revolving Loan Fund	\$ 71,150.00
TO:	Penrose Public Infrastructure <i>Project No. 35702700</i>	\$ 71,150.00

Discussion:

Councilman Russel pointed out that the letter references Ordinance No. 2020-017 in error and should be Resolution No. 017-2020. He requested the letter be amended to reflect the correct legislation referenced and filed. No objections from Council. The letter is amended to reflect the correct reference or Resolution No. 017-2020.

HRPC Director Cordonnier replied that Ordinance No. 2020-088 appropriates the funds for the Penrose waterline with the project being completed by the end of August to keep up with the timeframe of the contractor that is building the apartment building. In his letter, he requested that Council waive the three (3) readings of the legislation and pass it on an emergency basis in order to have the waterline in as the site work is done and then start the construction of the building. The preconstruction meeting is planned for the end of the week, and then will get out and start working as soon as all the contracts are executed. Filed.

**Traffic Commission minutes – July 20, 2020.**

Discussion:

Councilman Russel informed Council that there was a request for speed bumps and is unsure if they would be a valid use for the situation, but asked that the request be looked into. He asked that criteria be put together on what speed bumps would include. Safety Director Schmelzer replied that there are a lot of variables involved especially with maintaining speedbumps which was the request. The conversation was driven around speed humps at an intersection in the alleys. A determination of where speed bumps are placed and how many are put down will need to be made. The City really does not want to do speed bumps anywhere. If anywhere, they would be placed at intersections. If it gets to a point to have raised intersections to control speed, it will affect drainage, maintenance, and the ability for some vehicles to move up and down in the roadway. If Council wants to explore doing that, he recommended doing so from a policy perspective. He does not have any idea what the criteria should be, but is open for discussion as it will open up a wide range of issues for the City. He did not want to ask the Traffic Commission to make the decision based on one situation without making a City-wide consideration. Filed.

**Service Director/Acting City Engineer Thomas – 2020 FAA CARES Act Grant Project No. 35201900**

The City of Findlay has received the CARES Act Grant from the Federal Aviation Administration (FAA) to help offset Airport operational and maintenance expenses. An appropriation is now needed to move the grant funds into the project in order to begin gathering documentation to submit for reimbursement. Legislation to appropriate and transfer funds is requested. Ordinance No. 2020-089 was created.

FROM:	FAA Grant (CARES Act Aviation Funding)	\$ 69,000.00
TO:	2020 FAAA CARES Act Grant <i>Project No. 35201900</i>	\$ 69,000.00

Filed.

**Service Director/Acting City Engineer Thomas – Runway 7/25 Rehab – Crack Seal Design/Construction Project No. 35293200**

Two (2) items need to be addressed with this project. The approved ordinance did not include the wording to accept the bids for this project. Legislation to accept bids and authorize the Service Director to enter into contracts as needed is requested. Also, the amount requested from the ODOT Aviation Grant was six thousand nine hundred nine dollars and fifty cents (\$6,909.50) which was equal to five percent (5%) of the construction cost. That amount has already been appropriated into the project. The amount received for the official grant agreement was six thousand nine hundred nine dollars and no cents (\$6,909.00), therefore a de-appropriation is needed in order to make the appropriation amount match the amount listed in the grant agreement and the same amount will need to be appropriated from the Capital Improvements Restricted Account so that the project total will remain the same. Legislation to accept bid results, authorize the Service Director to enter into a contract, de-appropriate funds, and appropriate and transfer funds is requested. Ordinance No. 2020-090 was created.

De-appropriate:

FROM:	Runway 7/25 Rehab – Crack Seal Design/Construction ( <i>35293200</i> )	\$ .50
TO:	ODOT Aviation Grant	\$ .50

Appropriate and transfer:

FROM:	CIT Fund – Capital Improvements Restricted Account	\$ .50
TO:	Runway 7/25 Rehab – Crack Seal Design/Construction ( <i>35293200</i> )	\$ .50

Filed.

**Service Director/Acting City Engineer Thomas – Rehabilitate Taxiway A (A4 to A6) – Construction Project No. 35202300**

The City of Findlay received the official Federal Aviation Administration (FAA) grant agreement which will cover one hundred percent (100%) of the construction cost of the project. At this time, grant funds need to be appropriated into the project. Legislation to appropriate funds is requested. Ordinance No. 2020-091 was created.

FROM:	FAA Grant	\$ 432,624.00
TO:	Rehabilitate Taxiway A (A4 to A6) – Construction <i>Project No. 35202300</i>	\$ 432,624.00

Filed.

**COMMITTEE REPORTS:**

The **WATER AND SEWER COMMITTEE** met on July 30, 2020 to discuss March 11, 2020, May 21, 2020, and July 16, 2020 updates to the water meter/transmitter project.

*This recommendation is contingent upon a resolution of the bidding issue discussed in this meeting. If the issue has been resolved, we recommend to go ahead with the infrastructure portion of this project. This includes the purchase and installation of (11) DCU's, software and integration into billing software. Also, included will be the purchase of 324 transmitters for the year 2020. We recommend that \$250,000 be appropriated out of the Sewer Fund to match the \$250,000 that has already been appropriated out of the Water Fund. Ordinance No. 2020-092 was created.*

Discussion:

Councilman Russel pointed out that the agenda states to purchase 324 transmitters, but is actually 325. No objections given from Council. The 324 transmitters noted in the agenda is correctly changed to 325.

Councilman Greeno noted that the recommendation is contingent upon a resolution of the bidding issue that was discussed at the meeting and there still needs to be some discussion with that, but could go ahead and accept this committee report and move forward with this.

Councilman Slough moved to adopt the committee report, seconded by Councilman Greeno. All were in favor. Filed.

**LEGISLATION:**

**RESOLUTIONS:**

**RESOLUTION NO. 022-2020** requires three (3) readings

**first reading - adopted**

*(Ohio BWC Safety Intervention Grant (SIG) program - safety items for FFD)*

A RESOLUTION TRANSFERRING FUNDS WITHIN APPROPRIATED FUNDS, AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

Councilman Russel moved to suspend the statutory rules and give the Resolution its second and third readings, seconded by Councilman Slough. Ayes: Greeno, Haas, Niemeyer, Russel, Shindledecker, Slough, Warnecke, Wobser. The Resolution received its second and third readings. Councilman Slough moved to adopt the Resolution, seconded by Councilman Haas. Ayes: Haas, Niemeyer, 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.

**RESOLUTION NO. 023-2020** *(State of Ohio Cooperative Fishing Agreement)* requires three (3) readings

**first reading  
adopted during OLD BUSINESS**

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR OF THE CITY OF FINDLAY, OHIO TO ENTER INTO A COOPERATIVE FISHING AGREEMENT WITH THE STATE OF OHIO.

**RESOLUTION NO. 024-2020** *(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 Wobser. Ayes: Niemeyer, Russel, Shindledecker, Slough, Warnecke, Wobser, Greeno, Haas. The Resolution was declared adopted and is recorded in Resolution Volume XXXIV, and is hereby made a part of the record.

**ORDINANCES:**

**ORDINANCE NO. 2020-054** (*lane light project*) **requires three (3) readings** **tabled after third reading 6/16/20**  
**removed from the table during OLD BUSINESS and adopted**  
AN ORDINANCE APPROPRIATING AND TRANSFERRING FUNDS, AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

**ORDINANCE NO. 2020-076** (*HWE street lighting services contract*) **requires three (3) readings** **third reading - adopted**  
AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR OF THE CITY OF FINDLAY, OHIO, TO ENTER INTO A CONTRACT WITH HANCOCK-WOOD ELECTRIC COOPERATIVE, INC. TO LIGHT CERTAIN STREETS IN THE CITY OF FINDLAY, OHIO WHERE ITS SERVICES ARE AUTHORIZED, AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

Councilman Slough moved to adopt the Ordinance, seconded by Councilman Greeno. Ayes: Russel, Shindledecker, Slough, Warnecke, Wobser, Greeno, Haas, Niemeyer. The Ordinance was declared adopted and is recorded in Ordinance Volume XXI, Page 2020-076 and is hereby made a part of the record.

**ORDINANCE NO. 2020-077** (*2020 annual sewer and manhole lining program*) **requires three (3) readings** **third reading - adopted**  
AN ORDINANCE APPROPRIATING FUNDS AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

Councilman Slough moved to adopt the Ordinance, seconded by Councilman Wobser. Ayes: Shindledecker, Slough, Warnecke, Wobser, Greeno, Haas, Niemeyer, Russel. The Ordinance was declared adopted and is recorded in Ordinance Volume XXI, Page 2020-077 and is hereby made a part of the record.

**ORDINANCE NO. 2020-082** **requires three (3) readings** **second reading - adopted**  
(*Blanchard Street Sewer Replacement project no. 35592200*)

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

Councilman Russel moved to suspend the statutory rules and give the Ordinance its third reading, seconded by Councilman Greeno. Ayes: Slough, Warnecke, Wobser, Greeno, Haas, Niemeyer, Russel, Shindledecker. The Ordinance received its third reading. Councilman Slough moved to adopt the Ordinance, seconded by Councilman Russel. Ayes: Warnecke, Wobser, Greeno, Haas, Niemeyer, Russel, Shindledecker, Slough. The Ordinance was declared adopted and is recorded in Ordinance Volume XXI, Page 2020-082 and is hereby made a part of the record.

**ORDINANCE NO. 2020-084** (*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. 2020-085** (*Law Director budget - more funds for legal svcs (pending litigation)*) **requires three (3) readings** **first reading**  
AN ORDINANCE APPROPRIATING FUNDS AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

First reading of Ordinance.

**ORDINANCE NO. 2020-086** (*Solid Waste svcs renewal*) **requires three (3) readings** **first reading**  
AN ORDINANCE ADOPTING THE FIVE YEAR UPDATE OF THE SOLID WASTE MANAGEMENT PLAN OF THE HANCOCK COUNTY SOLID WASTE MANAGEMENT DISTRICT, AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

First reading of Ordinance.

**ORDINANCE NO. 2020-087** **requires three (3) readings** **first reading - adopted**  
(*Ohio BWC Safety Intervention Grant (SIG) program - safety items for FFD*)  
AN ORDINANCE APPROPRIATING FUNDS AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

Councilman Russel moved to suspend the statutory rules of Council and give the Ordinance its second and third readings, seconded by Councilman Haas. Ayes: Wobser, Greeno, Haas, Niemeyer, Russel, Shindledecker, Slough, Warnecke. The Ordinance received its second and third readings. Councilman Russel moved to adopt the Ordinance, seconded by Councilman Wobser. Ayes: Greeno, Haas, Niemeyer, Russel, Shindledecker, Slough, Warnecke, Wobser. The Ordinance was declared adopted and is recorded in Ordinance Volume XXII, Page 2020-087 and is hereby made a part of the record.

**ORDINANCE NO. 2020-088** (*RLF - Penrose Public Infrastructure #35702700*) **requires three (3) readings** **first reading - adopted**  
AN ORDINANCE APPROPRIATING AND TRANSFERRING FUNDS AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

Councilman Russel moved to suspend the statutory rules of Council and give the Ordinance its second and third readings, seconded by Councilman Wobser. Ayes: Haas, Niemeyer, Russel, Shindledecker, Slough, Warnecke, Wobser, Greeno. The Ordinance received its second and third readings. Councilman Wobser moved to adopt the Ordinance, seconded by Councilman Greeno. Ayes: Niemeyer, Russel, Shindledecker, Slough, Warnecke, Wobser, Greeno, Haas. The Ordinance was declared adopted and is recorded in Ordinance Volume XXII, Page 2020-088 and is hereby made a part of the record.

**ORDINANCE NO. 2020-089** (*2020 FAA CARES Act Grant*) **requires three (3) readings** **first reading - adopted**  
AN ORDINANCE APPROPRIATING AND TRANSFERRING FUNDS AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

Councilman Russel moved to suspend the statutory rules of Council and give the Ordinance its second and third readings, seconded by Councilman Greeno. Ayes: Russel, Shindledecker, Slough, Warnecke, Wobser, Greeno, Haas, Niemeyer. The Ordinance received its second and third readings. Councilman Wobser moved to adopt the Ordinance, seconded by Councilman Shindledecker. Ayes: Shindledecker, Slough, Warnecke, Wobser, Greeno, Haas, Niemeyer, Russel. The Ordinance was declared adopted and is recorded in Ordinance Volume XXII, Page 2020-089 and is hereby made a part of the record.

**ORDINANCE NO. 2020-090** (*Runway 7/25 Rehab – Crack Seal Design/Construction*) **requires three (3) readings** **first reading - adopted**  
AN ORDINANCE TO ACCEPT BIDS AS RECEIVED AND TO AUTHORIZE THE MAYOR AND/OR SERVICE DIRECTOR OF THE CITY OF FINDLAY, OHIO TO ENTER INTO AN AGREEMENT OR AGREEMENTS FOR THE RUNWAY 7/25 REHAB, PROJECT NO.35293200, DE-APPROPRIATING FUNDS, APPROPRIATE AND TRANSFER FUNDS, AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

Councilman Russel moved to suspend the statutory rules of Council and give the Ordinance its second and third readings, seconded by Councilman Shindledecker. Ayes: Slough, Warnecke, Wobser, Greeno, Haas, Niemeyer, Russel, Shindledecker. The Ordinance received its second and third readings. Councilman Greeno moved to adopt the Ordinance, seconded by Councilman Slough.

Discussion:

Councilman Shindledecker asked if in the history of the City if there has ever a transfer of fifty cents (\$.50). Service Director/Acting City Engineer Thomas replied that through the State, the City applied for the five percent (5%) and asked for nine dollars and fifty cents (\$9.50) which was exactly five percent (5%). They only kept their share which was the nine dollars (\$9.00), so this is needed to keep the books balanced.

Ayes: Warnecke, Wobser, Greeno, Haas, Niemeyer, Russel, Shindledecker, Slough. The Ordinance was declared adopted and is recorded in Ordinance Volume XXII, Page 2020-090 and is hereby made a part of the record.

**ORDINANCE NO. 2020-091** (*Rehabilitate Taxiway A (A4 to A6) – Construction*) **requires three (3) readings** **first reading - adopted**  
AN ORDINANCE APPROPRIATING FUNDS AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

Councilman Slough moved to suspend the statutory rules of Council and give the Ordinance its second and third readings, seconded by Councilman Wobser. Ayes: Wobser, Greeno, Haas, Niemeyer, Russel, Shindledecker, Slough, Warnecke. The Ordinance received its second and third readings. Councilman Greeno moved to adopt the Ordinance, seconded by Councilman Wobser. Ayes: Greeno, Haas, Niemeyer, Russel, Shindledecker, Slough, Warnecke, Wobser. The Ordinance was declared adopted and is recorded in Ordinance Volume XXII, Page 2020-091 and is hereby made a part of the record.

**ORDINANCE NO. 2020-092** (*water meter system replacement*) **requires three (3) readings** **first reading**  
AN ORDINANCE APPROPRIATING AND TRANSFERRING FUNDS, AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

First reading of the Ordinance.

**ORDINANCE NO. 2020-093** (*extend current contracts for City insurance policies*) **requires three (3) readings** **first reading**  
AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE DIRECTOR OF PUBLIC SERVICE OF THE CITY OF FINDLAY, OHIO TO EXTEND CURRENT CONTRACTS FOR INSURANCE COVERAGE FOR AIRPORT LIABILITY, AUTOMOBILE, BOILER MACHINERY, CONTRACTOR'S EQUIPMENT, CRIME INSURANCE, POLICE PROFESSIONAL LIABILITY, PUBLIC OFFICIAL'S ERRORS AND OMISSION LIABILITY, REAL AND PERSONAL PROPERTY BE EXTENDED UNTIL JULY 2021, AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

Discussion:

Councilman Russel asked if this needed to be passed tonight. Safety Director Schmelzer replied it does need to be passed tonight so that policies can be in place. The Administration was under the impression that the current contract was already in place for this per the letter the Mayor had submitted to Council for an extension. This Ordinance is to cover that and get everyone on the same page. He is asking that Council pass this Ordinance tonight so that there are no questions and that every can sign on the dotted line.

Councilman Wobser moved to suspend the statutory rules of Council and give the Ordinance its second and third readings, seconded by Councilwoman Warnecke. Ayes: Haas, Niemeyer, Russel, Shindledecker, Slough, Warnecke, Wobser, Greeno. The Ordinance received its second and third readings. Councilman Wobser moved to adopt the Ordinance, seconded by Councilman Greeno. Ayes: Niemeyer, Russel, Shindledecker, Slough, Warnecke, Wobser, Greeno, Haas. The Ordinance was declared adopted and is recorded in Ordinance Volume XXII, Page 2020-093 and is hereby made a part of the record.

**UNFINISHED BUSINESS:**

**OLD BUSINESS:**

Councilman Russel requested that Resolution No. 023-2020 (*State of Ohio Cooperative Fishing Agreement*) be reconsidered because the contract is to be in place before the next City Council meeting, seconded by Councilman Slough. Ayes: Russel, Shindledecker, Slough, Warnecke, Wobser, Greeno, Haas, Niemeyer. Councilman Russel moved to suspend the statutory rules and give the Resolution its second and third readings, seconded by Councilman Haas. Ayes: Shindledecker, Slough, Warnecke, Wobser, Greeno, Haas, Niemeyer, Russel. Councilman Wobser moved to adopt the Ordinance, seconded by Councilwoman Warnecke. Ayes: Slough, Warnecke, Wobser, Greeno, Haas, Niemeyer, Russel, Shindledecker. The Resolution was declared adopted and is recorded in Resolution Volume XXXIV, and is hereby made a part of the record.

Safety Director Schmelzer requested that Ordinance No. 2020-054 be reconsidered. It was tabled back in June for the lane light project. He has since finalized costs for the project. This project can be completed with what was originally requested for this project via that Ordinance. He asked that the Ordinance be lifted off the table and the funds be appropriated.

Councilman Wobser moved to lift the Ordinance off the table for reconsideration, seconded by Councilman Greeno. Ayes: Slough, Warnecke, Wobser, Greeno, Haas, Niemeyer, Russel, Shindledecker. The Ordinance was lifted from the table. Councilman Wobser moved to adopt the Ordinance, seconded by Councilwoman Warnecke.

Discussion:

Councilman Wobser asked what dollar amount this is for. Safety Director Schmelzer replied approximately fifteen thousand dollars (\$15,000). Councilman Wobser asked if this will include all the upgrades with the lighting system that has been discussed. Safety Director Schmelzer replied it will. By agreement, the fifteen thousand dollars (\$15,000) is being taken from the contractor retainage. Discussions have centered around what responsibility the supplier and contractor have in this. The City has some responsibility with inspection, and the supplier and contractor have some financial responsibility. Between the fifteen thousand dollars (\$15,000) General Fund amount and the nine thousand dollars (\$9,000) that is being donated, the City should be able to get this done without any out-of-pocket money.

Ayes: Warnecke, Wobser, Greeno, Haas, Niemeyer, Russel, Shindledecker, Slough.

**NEW BUSINESS:**

Mayor Muryn will be submitting a letter to Council clarifying the information that she has received to date continues to support that the CARES Act funding can be used for Fire and Police salaries in that they respond to medical calls. She will clarify that in her letter.

Mayor Muryn thanked Safety Director Schmelzer and Service Director Thomas on their involvement with the Lane Light project and that the supplier and contractor have donated the new equipment because they recognize the issues there has been with the current system. It is anticipated to be resolved in the near future.

Mayor Muryn thanked Council for passing the insurance ordinance and resolving that issue.

Mayor Muryn noted that Safety Director Schmelzer has resigned. Resumes for a combined Safety-Service Director are being accepted until August 14, 2020. It will be difficult to replace both Paul and Brian on the services they have provided.



Mayor Muryn noted that the Census is still occurring and that field surveys will stop the end of September. Those were originally to be done in June, then were pushed back until October, but will now stop at the end of September. Hancock County is currently at seventy-one percent (71%) response rate, so there are still many households that need to respond. She asked Council to continue to reiterate the importance of responding online before Census personnel comes to their door.

Councilman Shindledecker asked what the final response was for the last Census. Mayor Muryn replied it was approximately eighty percent (80%) at the time of canvassing, so we are slightly ahead of where we were at this time last year. While the goal is to have one hundred percent (100%), she would like to have ninety percent (90%) minimum from a statistical standpoint.

Councilman Wobser thanked President of Council Harrington for requesting a moment of silence for his father's passing who passed away a week ago. He thanked Mayor Muryn, Service Director Thomas, and Safety Director Schmelzer for allowing a City truck and a Fire Truck in the funeral procession that went underneath an American flag to the Fire Station to honor him. His father served sixteen (16) years as Safety-Service Director and loved every minute of it. It was a job he loved. There is no one that loved the City more than his father did and who delighted in working under two (2) different Administrations via Mayor Bentley Burr and Mayor Keith Romick.

President of Council Harrington received a written invitation from the Ohio Department of Transportation (ODOT) for the I-75/CR 99 meeting on August 13, 2020 from 5:00pm-6:00pm. It will be an online infrastructure improvement public meeting. An email about it went out to all Councilmembers.

Councilman Russel noted that they also had an informational meeting online last week for it. They have some very interesting plans for the CR 99/I-75 interchange that will include a pedestrian bridge over I-75 that will lead to the Miracle League Park and then go across CR 99 allowing for increased access to the park. He encouraged everyone to attend the open house and make public comment on the project.

Mayor Muryn pointed out that discussions around CR 99/I-75 originally brought up concerns with the level of service in which ODOT reviewed those concerns and recognized the opportunity for increased safety, increased service, and further development and then decided to move forward with applying, in conjunction with the City of Findlay, to the Federal Government Department of Transportation for funding. This is a project that not only the City of Findlay is recognizing for increased access for the safety of this interchange to the Ohio Department of Transportation, but also the Ohio Department of Transportation has stated to the Federal Government that they think this is a really great opportunity for investment and value in those transportation dollars. It is a great opportunity to put some funding towards it and increase the opportunity to utilize not only funds coming from the State, but also from the Federal Government. It should be known by late August to mid-September if Federal Funding is received.

Councilman Russel added that the interchange is similar to the US 25 over 475 in Perrysburg where traffic merges over to the opposite side of the road interchange that reduces traffic accidents by thirty to thirty-five percent (30-35%). The cost in savings by reducing accidents is significant. Service Director Thomas and Safety Director Schmelzer are good resources on the project for any questions anyone has.

Councilman Russel: **PLANNING & ZONING COMMITTEE** meeting on August 13, 2020 at 12:00pm as a zoom meeting.

- agenda:
1. 1028 & 1030 Hurd Avenue rezone
  2. University of Findlay (College St/Frazier St) vacation
  3. Lake Cascades Pkwy vacation

Councilman Haas is on the **PLANNING & ZONING COMMITTEE** but is unable to attend the regularly scheduled **PLANNING & ZONING COMMITTEE** meetings due to schedule conflicts, therefore, he is requesting to transfer Councilman Haas's representation to Councilwoman Warnecke.

Councilman Russel moved to adjourn, seconded by Councilman Greeno. All were in favor. Meeting adjourned at 7:57pm.

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