

Wickliffe City Council Meeting
March 23, 2015

A regular meeting of Wickliffe City Council was called to order by Council President David Krych at 7:00 p.m. on Monday, March 23, 2015. The following were present at roll call:

MAYOR:	William Margalis
COUNCIL PRESIDENT:	David Krych,
COUNCIL :	Bala, Ely, Jaworski, Koski, Levon, Matyja
LAW DIRECTOR:	William Gargiulo
FINANCE DIRECTOR:	Martin Germ
SERVICE DIRECTOR:	Joseph D'Ambrosio
ENGINEER:	Peter J. Formica
BUILDING COMMISSIONER:	Raymond F. Sack
RECREATION DIRECTOR:	Timothy E. Stopp, excused
POLICE CHIEF:	Randy E. Ice
FIRE CHIEF:	James G. Powers
ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT:	Jason Laver

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Moved by Mr. Bala seconded by Mr. Ely that the minutes of the council meeting of March 9, 2015 be approved as presented.

ROLL CALL: Yes: Bala, Ely, Jaworski, Koski, Krych, Levon, Matyja
No: None

Motion carried.

REPORTS AND COMMUNICATIONS FROM MAYOR/SAFETY DIRECTOR - Mayor Margalis had no report but asked for an executive session at the end of this meeting to discuss economic development incentive.

REPORTS AND COMMUNICATIONS FROM THE LAW DIRECTOR: Mr. Gargiulo reported on three items: Council should take note of emergency legislation: Who determines the necessity of emergency legislation. This was copied for council from the Ohio Lawyer of March-April 2015 and is a good reminder concerning legislation that declares an emergency. He also commented that council should have received a memorandum concerning classified employees and political activity prohibitions by the Ohio Revised Code and the Ohio Administrative. If anyone has questions about this he would be happy to answer them, he also has the back-up for the different paragraphs if anyone is interested. This is the law concerning classified employees, if you are not classified it does not apply. The next item that council should have a copy of is an addendum to the employees handbook which talks about political activity and says basically the same thing, attached to that copy is the actual Oho Revised Code and the Administrative Code, again he has all the backup materials if anyone is interested.

COMMUNICATIONS FROM COUNCIL PRESIDENT - Mr. Krych had no communications. Mr. Ely scheduled a Parks and Recreation Committee for Monday, March 30, 2015 at 7:00 p.m. to discuss pool passes.

ADDITIONS OR AMENDMENTS TO THE AGENDA

Mr. Matyja added under New Business (a) Weber avenue speeders.

ADMINISTRATORS:

A. Police Chief – Chief Ice had no report.

B. Fire Chief – Chief Powers had nothing to add to his report which is attached.

C. Finance Director – Mr. Germ had no report.

D. Engineer – Report attached. Mr. Formica added an update on Grand Blvd., the contractor is about ninety per cent done putting the sewer connections in to all the residents homes and the paving is scheduled for starting the first week of April.

E. Service Director – Mr. D'Ambrosio reported on the night shift which was brought back to regular schedule. A street sweeper is out and we are having it repaired. There were approximately 30 water breaks in the city and the water department will let us know when they will work on it. Also, last week on Wednesday he was on a conference call with ODOT along with Ron Strauser talking regarding the salt situation. They will offer their summer load and ODOT will not commit any prices. They say that the trucking industry has a difficult time contracting out for salt and that reflects in the price. He further stated that this year they have a request for 900,000 tons, this winter they had a request of 1.2 million, so they are anticipating a greater number. He went on to explain the quantity of salt which has to be in by April 3 and then they go out for bids on April 6 and we have no idea what the cost is going to be per ton but you have to commit to buying 100% of it. These are the requirements. It was in the budget that \$240,000 for salt, that was to purchase 25 tons of salt at \$80. per ton, that was our minimum amount so we put the minimum amount in the budget.

The Mayor added that he was also on the call and the concern he has going into the summer contract because that number can come in at whatever, there is no ceiling on it. He asked the question as to what is that number and he gave a scenario what if it came in at 150, where is the limit when you can say you will reject the bids and they would not give us that number. They kept on stressing that whatever number we give them for the summer contract we must purchase. With that being said we looked back at since we were only going to purchase 90% of what our winter fill was this past winter, we can't purchase up to 110% of that, so we still have quantity there at \$80 a ton that we know for sure we can buy at that amount. We will wait to see what the summer bids come in since they will be open on May 6, we don't have to finish filling out our commitment until May 30th, we have to put our order in at that \$80 a ton number, so we will get a sense of where the numbers are, this is going on all over the state of Ohio, some communities were paying \$130 a ton for their winter fill. We should not gamble in putting a number out there and not knowing what the price will be. We will hold off on participating on the summer contract, we will wait to see what those bids come in at and if they are up into the hundreds we will recommend that we purchase the remaining amount of our salt at \$80 a ton as much as we can. We will probably know by our next meeting. Discussion followed.

F. Building Commissioner – Mr. Sack had no report.

G. Recreation Director – Mr. Stopp excused.

H. Economic Development Director – Mr. Laver will present his report during the executive session.

AUDIENCE PARTICIPATION OPENED

Jim Lis, 29717 Arthur Avenue, commented that going north on Worden through Arthur onto Grand Blvd. there was no warning sign up when a left hand turn cannot be done, this is dangerous . Mr. D' Ambrosio will look into this and will talk to the contractor.

Dennis Probst, 28991 Sherbrook Drive, questioned the rumor of the pools be opened to Richmond Heights and asked if this was true. The Mayor informed him that he can hear the recommendation of this next Monday, March 30 at the Parks and Properties Committee who will have a meeting on the pools, that is one of the issues that will be discussed, that is to create a non-resident pool pass. This is to raise the attendance of the pools.

AUDIENCE PARTICIPATION CLOSEDTHERE WERE NO COMMITTEE REPORTSCOMMISSION REPORTS

Mr. Jaworski reported on the Sign Review Committee meeting held on March 18th which is attached.

THERE WAS NO OLD BUSINESSNEW BUSINESS

a) Weber Avenue speeders – Mr. Matyja stated that Weber Avenue is a quick cut through for Euclid people hitting the light before the freeway and every time around there are a bunch of speeders. He has received some calls that the residents are concerned and something that bothers him on this is even that one red car that has passed a school bus, he asked the police chief to find out possibly through the bus garage if this happened. This needs attention, it is a long street and speed can be picked up, we may have a problem there, he is asking for some attention to that area.

ORDINANCES

ORDINANCE NO. 2015-05 AN ORDINANCE PROVIDING APPROPRIATIONS FOR CURRENT EXPENSES AND OTHER EXPENDITURES OF THE CITY OF WICKLIFFE FOR THE PERIOD BEGINNING JANUARY 1, 2015 AND ENDING DECEMBER 31, 2015; AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY. Read by title. SECOND READING

Moved by Mr. Bala seconded by Mr. Ely that the rules of council be suspended and that Ordinance No. 2015-05 be placed on third and final reading.

ROLL CALL: Yes: Bala, Ely, Koski, Krych
No: Jaworski, Levon, Matyja

Motion failed. Ordinance No. 2015-05 placed on second reading.

ORDINANCE NO. 2015-06 AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR OF THE CITY OF WICKLIFFE, OHIO TO PARTICIPATE IN CONTRACTS WITH THE OHIO DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION FOR THE PURCHASE OF MACHINERY, MATERIAL, SUPPLIES, OR OTHER ARTICLES, AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY. Read by title.

Moved by Mr. Bala seconded by Mr. Ely that the rules of council be suspended and that Ordinance No. 2015-06 be placed on third and final reading.

The Mayor explained that a needed resolution is to be sent authorizing participation in this program. Mr. Ely referred to Section 1, regarding and questioned Item 1 "an estimated salt tonnage, indicated below" The Mayor stated that this was inadvertently added. Mr. Krych suggested that the above words be stricken from the ordinance.

Moved by Mr. Ely seconded by Mr. Levon that the words "an estimated salt tonnage, indicated below" be deleted from Section 1, Item 1.

ROLL CALL: Yes: Bala, Ely, Jaworski, Koski, Krych, Levon, Matyja
No: None

Motion carried.

Roll call on the suspension of Ordinance No. 2015-06.

ROLL CALL: Yes: Bala, Ely, Jaworski, Koski, Krych, Levon, Matyja
No: None

Motion carried.

Moved by Mr. Ely seconded by Mr. Bala that Ordinance No. 2015-06 be adopted as amended.

ROLL CALL: Yes: Bala, Ely, Jaworski, Koski, Krych, Levon, Matyja
No: None

Motion carried. Ordinance No. 2015-06 adopted.

RESOLUTIONS

RESOLUTION NO. 2015-03 A RESOLUTION DECLARING SEPTEMBER 2015 AS PROSTATE CANCER AWARENESS MONTH IN THE CITY OF WICKLIFFE, OHIO AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY. Read by title.

Moved by Mr. Levon seconded by Mr. Ely that the rules of council be suspended and that Resolution No. 2015-03 be placed on third and final reading.

ROLL CALL: Yes: Bala, Ely, Jaworski, Koski, Krych, Levon, Matyja
No: None

Motion carried.

Moved by Mr. Levon seconded by Mr. Jaworski that Resolution No. 2015-03 be adopted as presented.

ROLL CALL: Yes: Bala, Ely, Jaworski, Koski, Krych, Levon, Matyja
No: None

Motion carried. Resolution No. 2015-03 adopted.

RESOLUTION NO. 2015-04 A RESOLUTION DECLARING APRIL 2015 CHILD ABUSE PREVENTION MONTH IN THE CITY OF WICKLIFFE, OHIO AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY. Read by title.

Moved by Mr. Ely seconded by Ms. Koski that the rules of council be suspended and that Resolution No. 2015-04 be placed on third and final reading.

ROLL CALL: Yes: Bala, Ely, Jaworski, Koski, Krych, Levon, Matyja
No: None

Motion carried.

Moved by Mr. Levon seconded by Mr. Jaworski that Resolution No. 2015-04 be adopted as presented.

ROLL CALL: Yes: Bala, Ely, Jaworski, Koski, Krych, Levon, Matyja
No: None

Motion carried. Resolution No. 2015-04 adopted.

RESOLUTION NO. 2015-05 A RESOLUTION RECOGNIZING THE RETIRED AND SENIOR VOLUNTEER PROGRAM (RSVP) OF LAKE COUNTY IN CONJUNCTION WITH NATIONAL SERVICE RECOGNITION DAY; AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY. Read by title.

Moved by Mr. Ely seconded by Ms. Koski that the rules of council be suspended and that Resolution No. 2015-05 be placed on third and final reading.

ROLL CALL: Yes: Bala, Ely, Jaworski, Koski, Krych, Levon, Matyja
No: None

Motion carried.

Moved by Mr. Levon seconded by Mr. Jaworski that Resolution No. 2015-05 be adopted as presented.

ROLL CALL: Yes: Bala, Ely, Jaworski, Koski, Krych, Levon, Matyja
No: None

Motion carried. Resolution No. 2015-05 adopted.

MISCELLANEOUS

Mr. Krych announced that a special meeting of council will be held on Wednesday, March 25 at 7:00 p.m. in council chambers to discuss Ordinance No. 2015-03 providing for appropriations for current expenses and other expenditures of the city beginning January 1, 2015 and ending December 31, 2015.

Moved by Mr. Jaworski seconded by Mr. Ely that council recess into executive session to discuss economic development incentives.

ROLL CALL: Yes: Bala, Ely, Jaworski, Koski, Krych, Levon, Matyja
No: None

Motion carried. Council convened into executive session to discuss economic development incentives at 7:45 p.m.

Council reconvened from executive session at 8:20 p.m.

PRESENT: Bala, Ely, Jaworski, Koski, Krych, Levon, Matyja

There being no further business it was moved by Ms. Koski seconded by Mr. Ely that the council meeting of March 23, 2015 be adjourned.

ROLL CALL: Yes: Bala, Ely, Jaworski, Koski, Krych, Levon, Matyja
No: None

Motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 8:21 p.m.

Clerk of Council

Council President and Presiding Officer