

**THE CITY OF HURON, OHIO**  
**Proceedings of the Huron City Council**  
**Regular Meeting Tuesday November 14, 2017 at 6:30 p.m.**

A regular meeting of the City Council of the City of Huron, Ohio was called to order by Mayor Hartung on Tuesday, November 14, 2017 at 6:30 p.m. in the Council Room of City Hall, 417 Main Street, Huron, Ohio.

The Mayor called for a moment of silence. After the moment of silence, the Mayor led in saying the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag, and then directed the Clerk to call the roll. The following members of Council answered present: **Rick Schaffter, Trey Hardy, Phyllis Wassner, Brad Hartung, Joe Dike, and Sam Artino. Members absent: Glen Ginesi.**

Also present: City Manager Andy White, Finance Director Cathy Ramey, Assistant to the City Manager Mike Spafford, City Engineer Doug Green, Police Chief Bob Lippert, and Management Services Coordinator-Clerk of Council Christine Gibboney. Also in attendance: Mr. Tom Bork of Poggemeyer Design Group.

**Motion by Mr. Artino to excuse Mr. Ginesi from the meeting.** The Mayor asked if there was any discussion on the motion. The Mayor directed the Clerk to call the roll on the motion. Members of the Council voted as follows:

**YEAS: Artino, Schaffter, Hardy, Wassner, Hartung, Dike (6)**

**NAYS: None (0)**

There being a majority in favor of the motion, the Mayor declared the motion passed and Mr. Ginesi excused.

**Approval of Minutes**

**Motion by Ms. Wassner that the minutes of the regular meetings of September 26, 2017 and October 10, 2017 and the work session and regular meetings of October 24, 2017 be approved as printed and received.** The Mayor asked if there was any discussion on the motion. There being no discussion, he directed the Clerk to call the roll on the motion. Members of Council voted as follows:

**YEAS: Wassner, Hartung, Dike, Artino, Schaffter, Hardy (6)**

**NAYS: None (0)**

There being more than a majority voting in favor of the motion, the Mayor declared the motion passed.

There were no Audience Comments; the next item on the agenda was New Business.

**New Business**

**Proclamation: In recognition of the 100<sup>th</sup> birthday of Huron resident Lillian Therese Lehky.** Mayor Hartung read a Proclamation in recognition of the 100<sup>th</sup> Birthday of Huron resident Lillian Therese Lehky and presented same to Lillian and her family in attendance.

**Resolution 2017-78**

**Motion by Mr. Schaffter that the three reading rule be suspended and Resolution No. 2017-78 (A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER TO ACCEPT THE PROPOSAL AND ENTER INTO AN AGREEMENT WITH OHM ADVISORS FOR THE PROVISION OF ENGINEERING AND BIDDING TASKS RELATED TO THE 2018 ROAD PAVING PROJECT AT A COST NOT TO EXCEED SEVENTY SEVEN THOUSAND AND 00/100 DOLLARS (\$77,000.00)) be placed upon its first reading.** The Mayor asked if there was any discussion on the motion. The Mayor directed the Clerk to call the roll on the motion. Members of the Council voted as follows:

**YEAS: Schaffter, Hardy, Wassner, Hartung, Dike, Artino (6)**

**NAYS: None (0)**

There being five votes or more in favor of the motion, the Mayor declared the motion passed on suspension of the rules. The Mayor directed the Law Director to read the Resolution by its title only. The Mayor asked if there was any discussion. Mr. White referenced the proposal from OHM (Exhibit A) and reviewed same. He recapped the details of the proposed 2018 roadway paving program scope with regard to identified roadways (base bid and alternates), the road condition rating system, and the funding sources. Additional conversation relative to a section of roadway on Huron-Avery ensued and it was mentioned that the city will talk to the county about the area as well; administration noted that perhaps this section could be considered in the 2018 road paving program. Ms. Wassner referenced an increase in truck traffic on Huron-Avery and spoke of the No Thru Truck signage in place in this area. There being no further discussion, the Mayor directed the Clerk to call the roll on the final adoption of Resolution 2017-78. Members of Council voted as follows:

**YEAS: Schaffter, Hardy, Wassner, Hartung, Dike, Artino (6)**

**NAYS: None (0)**

There being a majority vote in favor of adoption, the Mayor declared that Resolution No. 2017-78 had been adopted. The Resolution as adopted was signed by the Mayor and Clerk of Council and will take effect immediately.

**Resolution 2017-79**

**Motion by Mr. Hardy that the three reading rule be suspended and Resolution No. 2017-79 (A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER TO ACCEPT THE RENEWAL PROPOSAL AND ENTER INTO AN AGREEMENT WITH THE PUBLIC ENTITIES POOL OF OHIO (PEP) FOR THE PROVISION OF PROPERTY AND CASUALTY INSURANCE FOR THE CITY OF HURON FOR THE TERM DECEMBER 1, 2017 TO DECEMBER 1, 2018) be placed upon its first reading.** The Mayor asked if there was any discussion on the motion. The Mayor directed the Clerk to call the roll on the motion. Members of the Council voted as follows:

**YEAS: Hardy, Wassner, Hartung, Dike, Artino, Schaffter (6)**

**NAYS: None (0)**

There being five votes or more in favor of the motion, the Mayor declared the motion passed on suspension of the rules. The Mayor directed the Law Director to read the Resolution by its title only. The Mayor asked if there was any discussion. Mr. White referenced the legislation pertains to the annual renewal of the city's property and casualty insurance. He did note that the city has asked PEP for additional quotes to include the electrical substation and cybersecurity insurance. There being no further discussion, the Mayor directed the Clerk to call the roll on the final adoption of Resolution 2017-79. Members of Council voted as follows:

**YEAS: Hardy, Wassner, Hartung, Dike, Artino, Schaffter (6)**  
**NAYS: None (0)**

There being a majority vote in favor of adoption, the Mayor declared that Resolution No. 2017-79 had been adopted. The Resolution as adopted was signed by the Mayor and Clerk of Council and will take effect immediately.

The Mayor referenced that the next two resolutions relate to the Annexation petition filed by Mucci Farms.

**Resolution 2017-80**

**Motion by Ms. Wassner that the three reading rule be suspended and Resolution No. 2017-80 (A RESOLUTION EXPRESSING A MUNICIPAL STATEMENT OF SERVICES RELATIVE TO TERRITORY REQUESTED TO BE ANNEXED INTO THE CITY OF HURON) be placed upon its first reading.** The Mayor asked if there was any discussion on the motion. The Mayor directed the Clerk to call the roll on the motion. Members of the Council voted as follows:

**YEAS: Wassner, Hartung, Dike, Artino, Schaffter, Hardy (6)**  
**NAYS: None (0)**

There being five votes or more in favor of the motion, the Mayor declared the motion passed on suspension of the rules. The Mayor directed the Law Director to read the Resolution by its title only. The Mayor asked if there was any discussion. Mr. White explained this resolution relates to public services and the next consents to the annexation petition. In response to the Mayor, Ms. Alkire confirmed that there will be a final legislative step to accept the annexation. There being no further discussion, the Mayor directed the Clerk to call the roll on the final adoption of Resolution 2017-80. Members of Council voted as follows:

**YEAS: Wassner, Hartung, Dike, Artino, Schaffter, Hardy (6)**  
**NAYS: None (0)**

There being a majority vote in favor of adoption, the Mayor declared that Resolution No. 2017-80 had been adopted. The Resolution as adopted was signed by the Mayor and Clerk of Council and will take effect immediately.

**Resolution 2017-81**

**Motion by Mr. Schaffter that the three reading rule be suspended and Resolution No. 2017-81 (A RESOLUTION CONSENTING TO THE ANNEXATION PETITION FILED BY MIMI LAND COMPANY, LLC RELATIVE TO TERRITORY REQUESTED TO BE ANNEXED INTO THE CITY OF HURON) be placed upon its first reading.** The Mayor asked if there was any discussion on the motion. The Mayor directed the Clerk to call the roll on the motion. Members of the Council voted as follows:

**YEAS: Schaffter, Hardy, Wassner, Hartung, Dike, Artino (6)**  
**NAYS: None (0)**

There being five votes or more in favor of the motion, the Mayor declared the motion passed on suspension of the rules. The Mayor directed the Law Director to read the Resolution by its title only. The Mayor asked if there was any discussion. Mr. White referenced the explanation above. There being no

further discussion, the Mayor directed the Clerk to call the roll on the final adoption of Resolution 2017-81. Members of Council voted as follows:

**YEAS: Schaffter, Hardy, Wassner, Hartung, Dike, Artino (6)**

**NAYS: None (0)**

There being a majority vote in favor of adoption, the Mayor declared that Resolution No. 2017-81 had been adopted. The Resolution as adopted was signed by the Mayor and Clerk of Council and will take effect immediately.

At this point, Mayor Hartung exited the meeting and Vice Mayor Trey Hardy conducted the remainder of the meeting.

#### **City Manager's Discussion**

Mr. White noted he would yield his time to Tom Bork from Poggemeyer Design Group and Jason Gibboney, Water Superintendent relative to the commissioned Harmful Algal Bloom (HAB) General Plan (Resolution 2017-65). Mr. Gibboney recapped history of the trigger event that prompted the requirement to provide the OEPA a HAB General Plan. He noted the city had a 120 deadline to submit the plan per the OEPA which would have been due November 15, 2017, but explained that the city has been granted a 30-day extension. Mr. Gibboney provided a recap of EPA changes and mandates since the algal bloom event in Toledo and recognized Mr. Tom Bork of Poggemeyer Design Group in attendance to distribute and review the draft HAB General Plan that Poggemeyer has completed. Draft HAB General Plans were distributed to Council members. Mr. Bork provided a comprehensive review of HAB's and the methods by which pre-treatment and treatment to remove toxins exist. He then provided an in-depth review of current treatment systems, evaluation of performance of the systems and recommendation for improvements at the Filtration Plant. He referenced the previously reported chain and flight system (sludge removal equipment) in the sedimentation basin and reviewed the remaining identified treatments/improvements contained in the plan along with their corresponding cost estimates. Mr. Bork noted that the OEPA requires the plan and a time schedule for the implementation of the improvements the city anticipates to undertake. A lengthy discussion ensued regarding the various options/improvements which varied greatly in cost. Brief discussion on costs and the effect on the water budget ensued. Mr. Bork noted his recommendation from the various options which were to make the improvements to the sedimentation basin equipment and the Acid Feed System and asked for input as the plan is required to be submitted to the EPA along with a timeline. The cost estimate for these two improvements being roughly \$770,000. Mr. Gibboney provided recap of previous discussions with Council relative to the sedimentation (Sludge Removal equipment) and the requirement to have this operational. He also noted the viable option to recommend the Acid Feed System. Ms. Alkire recapped the specifications of the OEPA mandate with regard to the 120 timeframe for submission of engineer-stamped plans which must provide the OEPA with two options to be implemented by the city with a corresponding time schedule. A brief exchange regarding the water budget and the impact to the budget for these improvements ensued. Mr. White referenced the two options reviewed and noted administration would like to use the 30 day extension to review the plan further, decide on the final options to be recommended in the report, and submit the plan to the OEPA by the deadline. It was noted, however, that regardless of the city's recommendations or time schedule, the OEPA can still mandate additional options to be implemented.

Ms. Alkire noted that two Executive Sessions would be requested.

#### **Mayor's Discussion (Vice Mayor)**

- Referenced Council Correspondence: Mr. Belli requesting consideration for a Stop Sign on private property; a brief discussion ensued and the Law Director confirmed that the city could not

mandate a Stop Sign in a private property parking lot; Mr. Walter Johnson Jr. regarding interest in Quiet Zones and urging the city to look into these, and several emails from Mr. Weyer on property maintenance issues. Mr. White referenced ongoing discussion with regard to the Building and Zoning functions, specifically to code enforcement efforts. He specifically addressed those in Mr. Weyer's email noting the process and efforts and noting the improvements in enforcement efforts that have been made but also the need for additional resources and staffing. He also referenced discussions and planning in the 2018 budget for inclusion of additional needed resources and staffing to assist in these efforts. Referenced correspondence from FEMA regarding new Flood Plain Maps which are on file in Doug Green's office and the letter from Columbia Gas relative to infrastructure improvements and their service charges.

**For the Good of the Order**

- Mr. Dike referenced a site line obstruction at Huron Street/US 6 from the landscaping islands. Mr. White noted he would check with Chief Lippert and have it looked into.
- Mr. Artino referenced that there are no School Zone signs on Berlin Road for Shawnee School. Mr. White stated that he would refer this to the Safety Committee and also look at the matter as part of the US6 Corridor Project.
- Ms. Wassner asked that the No Thru Truck signage on Main Street be investigated and enforced.
- Mr. White referenced the various community outreach events and the upcoming Saturday Council Goal Work Session, adding that he would recommend another Saturday work session in January.
- Mr. Schaffter commented that Main Street was looking good.
- Mr. Hardy recognized and welcomed in-coming Councilwoman Christine Crawford.

In response to the Vice Mayor, Ms. Alkire noted administration was requesting two executive sessions: matters related to collective bargaining negotiations and other matters requiring confidentiality, and that there would be no further business to follow.

**Executive Session(s)**

**Motion by Ms. Wassner that the regular meeting of November 14, 2017 be recessed for the purpose of holding an executive session to discuss collective bargaining negotiations.** The Mayor directed the Clerk to call the roll on the motion. Members of the Council voted as follows:

**YEAS:** Wassner, Dike, Artino, Schaffter, Hardy (5)

**NAYS:** None (0)

There being a majority voting in favor of the motion, the Mayor declared the motion passed and the executive session to order at 7:24 p.m. The City Manager, City Council and, Law Director discussed matters relating to collective bargaining negotiations. The Mayor noted the discussion had concluded and declared the regular meeting of November 14, 2017 reconvened at 7:42p.m.

**Motion by Ms. Wassner that the regular meeting of November 14, 2017 be recessed for the purpose of holding an executive session to discuss matters required to be kept confidential.** The Mayor directed the Clerk to call the roll on the motion. Members of the Council voted as follows:

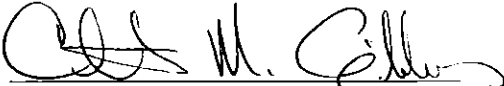
**YEAS:** Wassner, Dike, Artino, Schaffter, Hardy (5)

**NAYS:** None (0)

There being a majority voting in favor of the motion, the Mayor declared the motion passed and the executive session to order at 7:42 p.m. The City Manager, City Council and, Law Director discussed

matters required to be kept confidential. The Mayor noted the discussion had concluded and declared the regular meeting of November 14, 2017 reconvened at 8:16 p.m.

There being no further business to come before the Council, the Mayor declared the regular meeting adjourned at 8:16 p.m.



Christine M. Gibboney, Clerk of Council