

THE CITY OF HURON, OHIO
Proceedings of the Huron City Council
Regular Meeting Tuesday, April 24, 2018 at 6:30 p.m.

A regular meeting of the City Council of the City of Huron, Ohio was called to order by Mayor Brad Hartung on Tuesday April 24, 2018 at 6:30p.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: **Christine Crawford, Brad Hartung, Joe Dike, Sam Artino, and Glen Ginesi. Members absent: Trey Hardy, Rick Schaffter.**

Also present: City Manager Andy White, Law Director Laura Alkire, Assistant to the City Manager Mike Spafford, Parks and Recreation Operations Manager Doug Steinwart, City Engineer Doug Green, and Management Services Coordinator-Clerk of Council Christine Gibboney.

Motion by Mr. Ginesi to excuse Mr. Hardy and Mr. Schaffter 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: Ginesi, Crawford, Hartung, Dike, Artino (5)

NAYS: None (0)

There being more than a majority in favor of the motion, the Mayor declared the motion passed and Mr. Hardy and Mr. Schaffter excused.

Approval of Minutes

Motion by Mr. Dike that the minutes of the regular meeting of March 27, 2018 and the work session and regular meeting of April 10, 2018 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: Dike, Artino, Ginesi, Crawford, Hartung (5)

NAYS: None (0)

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

Audience Comments

- **Julie Spitzley, 125 Williams Street:** Ms. Spitzley referenced her background and experience as a trained research scientist. She shared her experience with the medical marijuana industry when living in Colorado referencing the loose state laws and issues that ensued due to this. She noted support of the benefits of medical marijuana, but referenced her initial concerns to medical marijuana industries in Ohio based on what she witnessed in Colorado. She then noted her research into Ohio's laws, citing the tight regulations and reviewing same. She referenced misinformation that has been stated about certain studies. She referenced research of studies on the benefits of cannabis and the effects on the human body and compared dispensary operations to pharmacies. She noted she had also researched OPC, explaining their interest to make this treatment available is based on their own experience with a family member's illness and

referenced their focus on wellness, science, and research. She expressed this would be a blessing for the community and thanked Council for considering this industry in Huron.

- Andra Kurtz, Eagle Ridge Drive: Ms. Kurtz expressed her concerns relative to potential over-prescribing; referencing that chronic pain is a widely interpretive diagnosis. She referenced medical marijuana being federally illegal, noting that anyone who works with a hospital or accepts nonprofit Medicare or Medicaid cannot prescribe it, and citing concern for what doctors will be writing recommendations. She expressed concerns over unknowns, stating this not good for community, referenced the position of the American Academy of Pediatrics who oppose it citing it desensitizes youth to the use of marijuana and noting her concern for children passing by the dispensary on the way to school every day reinforcing the issue of desensitizing. She referenced her previous email to Council with information from the American Academy of Pediatrics.
- Glen Szatala, 713 Kingfisher Court: Mr. Szatala referenced flyers being placed in his mailbox on two occasions asking if anyone in attendance knew who was doing this, referencing the US Postal Service law against doing so and reading the code section. He commented on the operation and motives of the organization that is doing this, stating their actions cause suspicion and concern for true motives. He stated the first flyer in January referenced opposition to the location of the dispensary at Burger King and noted the recent flyer opposes all medical marijuana operations. He suggested the organization identify themselves and encouraged dialogue.
- Beth Fisher, Ohio Street: Ms. Fisher stated she passed out the flyer in January and noted that this is a grassroots effort of people who are expressing their opinions in opposition of having a dispensary within the city. Mr. Szatala noted for the record that Ms. Fisher is the person responsible for illegally distributing material in mailboxes. Ms. Fisher responded she did not put in these in mailboxes; she put them on door handles, adding that if someone did so she is sure they were not aware it is against the law.
- Richard Naegele, Superior Drive: Mr. Naegele explained he is an attorney and has researched the Ohio law and is also familiar with the California and Colorado laws. He noted agreement in the Ohio laws being very tight and well written and expressed he is not sure why there is continued discussion relative to recreational marijuana and the effects. He shared his personal experienced with his sister who died from ovarian cancer and was treated with medical marijuana noting it provided great relief with respect to her chemotherapy and referenced others with conditions who have experienced the benefits.
- Gina Woody, 327 Berlin Road: Ms. Woody noted her agreement with comments made regarding a dispensary being compared to a pharmacy. She referenced a suboxone clinic operating within the city that provides suboxone to heroin users noting that there has been no opposition to this facility and questioning why then is there opposition to a medical marijuana dispensary. She stated the clinic doesn't have any type of security in place, referencing in contrast, the security measures to be at the medical marijuana dispensary.
- Tony Legando: Mr. Legando stated the discussion is not about support or opposition of medical marijuana; the discussion is about the public being unaware of medical marijuana businesses coming to Huron and people not being able to have a say before such a business was allowed to come in.
- Lisa Koehler: Ms. Koehler referenced living in chronic pain and shared her personal experience. She noted support for Mr. Legando's comment regarding the public being informed.
- Elva DeFazio, Eagle Ridge Drive. Ms. DeFazio expressed her compassion for people in pain noting there are medications other than medical marijuana available for pain. She expressed concern for children being influenced and noting she would rather say no to medical marijuana if it's going to introduce recreational marijuana citing the many cities that have legalized recreational marijuana following medical marijuana.

New Business

Presentation- Robert B. Forney, Jr., Ph.D.- Chief Toxicologist Office of the Lucas County Coroner and Clinical Associate Professor University of Toledo College of Medicine & Life Sciences Center. Dr. Forney distributed information relative to marijuana concerns and reviewed same (**attached**). Dr. Forney thanked Council and all in attendance and provided a summary of his career and experience. Dr. Forney spoke to his concerns, as a Toxicologist, relative to marijuana including but not limited to: misconceptions of marijuana being “safe”, 500 hundred chemicals in the marijuana plant-few of which have been studied; dosing issues-concerns with dosage and absorption, concentrations of THC and CBD, and drug interactions; referenced medicines currently approved derived from marijuana but sparingly used; lack of scientific evidence of the efficacy and safety of medical marijuana; concerns of the toxicities of cannabis- reviewing health effects on cardiovascular and respiratory systems, being an addictive potential/gateway drug, effecting brain development in youths, mental health issues including anxiety, depression and psychosis; impairment; and lack of adequate education and training for the public, healthcare professionals, and law enforcement.

Resolution 2018-31

Motion by Mr. Artino that the three reading rule be suspended and Resolution No. 2018-31 (A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER TO ENTER INTO A LEASE AGREEMENT WITH 357 LTD., LLC FOR A PORTION OF THE GROUNDS AND WALKWAYS SURROUNDING THE CITY'S SMALL BOAT MOORING BASIN IN THE AMOUNT OF TWO THOUSAND SEVEN HUNDRED TWENTY DOLLARS AND 00/100 (\$2,720.00) PAYABLE TO 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: Artino, Ginesi, Crawford, Hartung, Dike (5)

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 is an annual lease agreement with 15's for the use of city property. Ms. Alkire reviewed the minor changes to the agreement this year which included the removal of the liquor liability insurance requirement, explaining that the general liability insurance requirement and indemnity clause cover the city. She also noted the inclusion of language relative to the city's noise ordinance to address noise complaints that have been made in the past. There being no further discussion, the Mayor directed the Clerk to call the roll on the final adoption of Resolution 2018-31. Members of Council voted as follows:

YEAS: Artino, Ginesi, Crawford, Hartung, Dike (5)

NAYS: None (0)

There being a majority vote in favor of adoption, Resolution No. 2018-31 was adopted. The Resolution as adopted was signed by the Mayor and Clerk of Council and will take effect immediately.

Resolution 2018-32

Motion by Mr. Dike that the three reading rule be suspended and Resolution No. 2018-32 (A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER, ON BEHALF OF THE CITY OF HURON, OHIO, TO SUPPORT THE REQUEST OF THE HURON GARDEN CLUB FOR THE PLACEMENT OF EVENT SIGNAGE IN THE MEDIAN AREA PROMOTING THEIR ANNUAL PLANT SALE) 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: Dike, Artino, Ginesi, Crawford, Hartung (5)

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 is an annual request for signage placement in the median area. There being no further discussion, the Mayor directed the Clerk to call the roll on the final adoption of Resolution 2018-32. Members of Council voted as follows:

YEAS: Dike, Artino, Ginesi, Crawford, Hartung (5)

NAYS: None (0)

There being a majority vote in favor of adoption, Resolution No. 2018-32 was adopted. The Resolution as adopted was signed by the Mayor and Clerk of Council and will take effect immediately.

Resolution 2018-33

Motion by Ms. Crawford that the three reading rule be suspended and Resolution No. 2018-33 (A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER TO SUBMIT A NATUREWORKS GRANT APPLICATION TO THE OHIO DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES FOR POTENTIAL FUNDING TOWARD THE PURCHASE AND INSTALLATION OF LADDERS AND LIFE RINGS ON THE HURON PIER) 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: Crawford, Hartung, Dike, Artino, Ginesi (5)

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 discussion over the last couple years relative to the lack of safety ladders on the pier, explaining if the grant is awarded, the city would purchase and install seven ladders along the pier. The total cost is estimated at \$20,000 and the city match to the grant would be approximately \$5,000. Mr. Ginesi voiced his support. Ms. Crawford referenced this application was discussed and supported by the Safety Committee. There being no further discussion, the Mayor directed the Clerk to call the roll on the final adoption of Resolution 2018-33. Members of Council voted as follows:

YEAS: Crawford, Hartung, Dike, Artino, Ginesi (5)

NAYS: None (0)

There being a majority vote in favor of adoption, Resolution No. 2018-33 was adopted. The Resolution as adopted was signed by the Mayor and Clerk of Council and will take effect immediately.

Resolution 2018-34

Motion by Mr. Artino that the three reading rule be suspended and Resolution No. 2018-34 (A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER TO RE-ENROLL AND EXECUTE PAYMENT TO COMPMANAGEMENT, INC., OF DUBLIN, OHIO, FOR THIRD PARTY ADMINISTRATION SERVICES RELATING TO THE 2019 WORKERS COMPENSATION GROUP RATING ENROLLMENT PROGRAM IN THE AMOUNT OF FOUR THOUSAND THREE HUNDRED SIXTY 00/100 DOLLARS (\$4,360.00)) 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: Artino, Ginesi, Crawford, Hartung, Dike (5)

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 this is an annual renewal for the city's third party administrator relative to the Workers Compensation program and referenced the group rating enrollment for 2019. He reviewed the anticipated group rating premiums. There being no further discussion, the Mayor directed the Clerk to call the roll on the final adoption of Resolution 2018-34. Members of Council voted as follows:

YEAS: Artino, Ginesi, Crawford, Hartung, Dike (5)

NAYS: None (0)

There being a majority vote in favor of adoption, Resolution No. 2018-34 was adopted. The Resolution as adopted was signed by the Mayor and Clerk of Council and will take effect immediately.

Resolution 2018-35

Motion by Mr. Dike that the three reading rule be suspended and Resolution No. 2018-35 (A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER TO ACCEPT THE GRANT AWARD AND ENTER INTO AN AGREEMENT WITH THE OHIO DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES, DIVISION OF WATERCRAFT, FOR A MARINE PATROL ASSISTANCE GRANT FOR THE HURON POLICE HARBOR PATROL PROGRAM IN THE CITY OF HURON IN THE AMOUNT OF TWENTY SIX THOUSAND ONE HUNDRED FORTY TWO AND 86/100 DOLLARS (\$26,142.86)) 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: Dike, Artino, Ginesi, Crawford, Hartung (5)

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 reviewed the terms of the grant award, city match of \$8,714.29, and expenses relative to the Marine Patrol program. There being no further discussion, the Mayor directed the Clerk to call the roll on the final adoption of Resolution 2018-35. Members of Council voted as follows:

YEAS: Dike, Artino, Ginesi, Crawford, Hartung (5)

NAYS: None (0)

There being a majority vote in favor of adoption, Resolution No. 2018-35 was adopted. The Resolution as adopted was signed by the Mayor and Clerk of Council and will take effect immediately.

Resolution 2018-36

Motion by Mr. Ginesi that the three reading rule be suspended and Resolution No. 2018-36 (A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER TO ENTER INTO AN AGREEMENT WITH THE INN ON THE RIVER'S EDGE, L.P., GRANTING THE CITY A LICENSE TO OCCUPY AND USE PROPERTY FOR THE PURPOSE OF CITY SPONSORED EVENTS) 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: Ginesi, Crawford, Hartung, Dike, Artino (5)

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 noted this is an annual agreement and reviewed the city events to be held on a portion of the River's Edge property. Mr. Steinwart thanked Mr. Ralph Ruta for accommodating the request. There being no further discussion, the Mayor directed the Clerk to call the roll on the final adoption of Resolution 2018-36. Members of Council voted as follows:

YEAS: Ginesi, Crawford, Hartung, Dike, Artino (5)

NAYS: None (0)

There being a majority vote in favor of adoption, Resolution No. 2018-36 was adopted. The Resolution as adopted was signed by the Mayor and Clerk of Council and will take effect immediately.

Resolution 2018-37

Motion by Mr. Ginesi that the three reading rule be suspended and Resolution No. 2018-37 (A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING AND DIRECTING CERTAIN TRANSFERS AMONG THE VARIOUS FUNDS OF THE CITY) 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: Ginesi, Crawford, Hartung, Dike, Artino (5)

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 reviewed the breakdown of transfers appearing on Exhibit "A" of the resolution and referencing these were all previously budget transfers. There being no further discussion, the Mayor directed the Clerk to call the roll on the final adoption of Resolution 2018-37. Members of Council voted as follows:

YEAS: Ginesi, Crawford, Hartung, Dike, Artino (5)

NAYS: None (0)

There being a majority vote in favor of adoption, Resolution No. 2018-37 was adopted. The Resolution as adopted was signed by the Mayor and Clerk of Council and will take effect immediately.

Resolution 2018-38

Motion by Ms. Crawford that the three reading rule be suspended and Resolution No. 2018-38 (A RESOLUTION ACCEPTING THE RECOMMENDATIONS OF THE ERIE COUNTY TAX INCENTIVE REVIEW COUNCIL RELATING TO THE CITY'S ENTERPRISE ZONE AGREEMENTS, TAX INCREMENT FINANCING AGREEMENTS AND COMMUNITY REINVESTMENT AREA ABATEMENTS) 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: Crawford, Hartung, Dike, Artino, Ginesi (5)

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 the Erie County Tax Incentive Review Council annually reviews all tax abatement agreements and provides recommendation. He referenced that the county has recommended termination of the Huron Senior Residence abatement. Lengthy discussion ensued regarding the current abatement, concern with the effect to the school and the requirement to submit the required reporting to the state. Ms. Alkire clarified that this resolution only accepts the recommendation of the TIRC and must be submitted by the county to the State. Mr. White explained that Council would have to adopt additional legislation to actually terminate the abatement agreement. The Mayor advised that a meeting with the school be scheduled to discuss the matter and get their input. Mr. Artino expressed concern for the residents of the Huron Senior Residence and if there would be any impact on them. A discussion ensued about action to take or whether to table the matter. Ms. Alkire explained that the city confirmed with the ODOD that Council's ratification or acceptance of the TIRC's recommendation does not automatically terminate the abatement agreement noting that if it is Council's desire, after meeting with the schools and/or the company, to terminate the agreement then additional legislation will be prepared to do so. She explained that the recommendations of the countywide board need to be submitted on a timely basis to the State and reconfirmed that adoption of this resolution only accepts the recommendation of the TIRC and does not terminate the agreement. There being no further discussion, the Mayor directed the Clerk to call the roll on the final adoption of Resolution 2018-38. Members of Council voted as follows:

YEAS: Crawford, Hartung, Dike, Ginesi (4)

NAYS: Artino (1)

There being a majority vote in favor of adoption, Resolution No. 2018-38 was adopted. The Resolution as adopted was signed by the Mayor and Clerk of Council and will take effect immediately.

Resolution 2018-39

Motion by Mr. Artino that the three reading rule be suspended and Resolution No. 2018-39 (A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER TO ACCEPT THE PROPOSAL AND ENTER INTO AN AGREEMENT WITH OHM ADVISORS FOR THE PROVISION OF INSPECTION SERVICES RELATED TO THE 2018 ROAD PAVING PROGRAM (PART 2) AT A COST NOT TO EXCEED FIFTY TWO THOUSAND FIVE HUNDRED FOUR AND 00/100 DOLLARS (\$52,504.00)) 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: Artino, Ginesi, Crawford, Hartung, Dike (5)

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 executive summary, reviewed the scope and funding related to the 2018 Paving Program, and also referenced the spreadsheet of additional roadways Council had requested which was included in the correspondence packet for review and further discussion. He explained this resolution authorizes inspection services by OHM in the amount of \$52,504.00. Mr. Green noted the fee is based on the fee schedule within OHM's contract and noted the only thing not included in the spreadsheet of additional streets is the section of Main Street from Mudbrook Road to the southern city limits. He referenced conversations with the County Engineer as they are doing a paving project to the city limits in this area and explained he has asked that the city section be included as an Alternate in their bid; an engineer's estimate will be provided. The Mayor referenced the estimated \$1.3 million cost associated with the additional roadways and asked that this be referred to the Finance Committee to consider the debt financing. Mr. White noted the additional roadways would encompass all critical rated roads but doubles the cost and believes it would be smart to phase it in over a couple of years. There being no further discussion, the Mayor directed the Clerk to call the roll on the final adoption of Resolution 2018-39. Members of Council voted as follows:

YEAS: Artino, Ginesi, Crawford, Hartung, Dike (5)

NAYS: None (0)

There being a majority vote in favor of adoption, Resolution No. 2018-39 was adopted. The Resolution as adopted was signed by the Mayor and Clerk of Council and will take effect immediately.

Resolution 2018-40

Motion by Ms. Crawford that the three reading rule be suspended and Resolution No. 2018-40 (A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER, ON BEHALF OF THE CITY OF HURON, OHIO, TO SUPPORT THE REQUEST OF THE HURON 5K RACE SERIES COMMITTEE FOR THE PLACEMENT OF EVENT SIGNAGE IN THE MEDIAN AREA PROMOTING THEIR RACE EVENTS) 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: Crawford, Hartung, Dike, Artino, Ginesi (5)

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 request authorizes the placement of signage to support the new race series event. Ms. Crawford recognized the individual race committees for their collaboration. There being no further discussion, the Mayor directed the Clerk to call the roll on the final adoption of Resolution 2018-40. Members of Council voted as follows:

YEAS: Crawford, Hartung, Dike, Artino, Ginesi (5)

NAYS: None (0)

There being a majority vote in favor of adoption, Resolution No. 2018-40 was adopted. The Resolution as adopted was signed by the Mayor and Clerk of Council and will take effect immediately.

Ordinance 2018-9

Motion by Mr. Dike that the three reading rule be suspended and Ordinance 2018-9 (AN ORDINANCE AMENDING ORDINANCE NO. 2017-45, ADOPTED DECEMBER 27, 2017, RELATING TO EXHIBIT "A" APPROPRIATIONS FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 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: Dike, Artino, Ginesi, Crawford, Hartung (5)

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 Ordinance by its title only. The Mayor asked if there was any discussion. Mr. White reviewed the revenue and expense entries appearing on Exhibit "A" of the ordinance. He referenced the \$3,503,430.00 in revenue relative to the electrical substation and recapped the details of the electrical substation estimate, bid, debt financing and grant funding of \$200,000 from Jobs Ohio. He explained the city is looking at a 5 year rolling note average in conjunction with direction provided by the Finance Committee referencing the low interest rate and noting the debt payment for the principal and interest is completely dependent on the end user of the electrical service; noting that no general tax dollars are associated with the repayment of the debt. There being no further discussion, the Mayor directed the Clerk to call the roll on the final adoption of Ordinance 2018-9. Mr. Ginesi noted he would abstain from the vote. Members of Council voted as follows:

YEAS: Dike, Artino, Crawford, Hartung (4)

NAYS: None (0)

ABSTAIN: Ginesi (1)

There being a majority vote in favor of adoption, Ordinance 2018-9 was adopted. The Ordinance as adopted was signed by the Mayor and Clerk of Council and will take effect immediately.

BZA- Appointment

Motion by Mr. Ginesi to appoint Ms. Jenine Porter to the BZA filling an unexpired term through December 2021. 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: Ginesi, Crawford, Hartung, Dike, Artino (5)

NAYS: None (0)

There being five votes or more in favor of the motion, the Mayor declared the motion passed and Ms. Porter appointed to serve on the BZA through December 2021.

City Manager's Discussion

- Referenced receipt of an email regarding trash/debris along the bypass along the Lake Shore Electric Trail. Mr. Steinwart explained that he will work with the Police Chief to try schedule a work detail. He also referenced the annual youth volunteer clean up at Nickel Plate, the Pier, and the Lake Shore Electric Trail.
- Referenced the Planning Commission and BZA meetings on April 25, 2018.

- Provided update on the North Main Street Lighting project: Most bases are in place, the last light near the showboat was relocated, final posts have been delivered, city is awaiting final cable and phone line installation.
- Referenced the public meeting on Thursday, April 26th at 6:30p.m. at BGSU Firelands for input on the public space/greenspace of the ConAgra site.

Questions by members:

Mr. Dike asked questions regarding the status of the state approval on the city's placement of buoys and for clarification on the origin and marketing services provided by Studio Think. Ms. Alkire advised the documentation on buoys had been submitted and is being reviewed by ODNR. Mr. White advised that the city has entertained an outside consultant for marketing and economic development efforts for the last three years, noting that the city initially worked with the Impact Group before making the switch to Studio Think. He noted the 2018 adopted budget includes the expense which was discussed during budget meetings and explained the city interviewed a few firms before selecting Studio Think. In response to a question about the recent survey, Mr. White confirmed that Studio Think did create the survey noting that the survey was not intended to be policy and referenced conversation about public outreach efforts in January. He referenced the survey results, noting he would provide a report. Mr. Dike questioned the fee of \$3,000/month asking if the city looked at other quotes. Mr. White noted at least three other firms were looked at and reviewed the term and the scope of work that Studio Think has provided, noting the city will review this agreement annually. In response as to what Studio Think is providing to the city, Mr. White explained that they provide outsourcing of functions that had been previously done by administration including: composition of articles, interest pieces, editorials, weekly meetings to discuss various projects and events and collaboration of promotion of these. A discussion ensued regarding the use of ECEDC and the proposal from Cottage Design for marketing purposes. Mr. White reviewed the function of ECEDC. Mr. Dike stated that in his opinion, the city should take the funds and spend them locally with ECEDC, Cottage Designs, and the Huron Chamber. He referenced the new 433 App the Chamber is working on and its benefit to businesses. Mr. White noted that Studio Think has spoken to the Chamber and has the availability to help them with the app and also referenced past discussions relative to collaborations between the City, Chamber, Township, and Schools. Mr. White noted that he would like to stay the course at this point, but would be glad to incorporate any changes that Council desires. He also referenced discussion at the work session about the Cottage Design proposal. Lastly, Mr. White referenced the consistent improvement of the budget over the years and the surplus funds that have been available and transferred into the Economic Development Fund for use. Mr. Dike noted he has no confidence in Studio Think. Mr. Artino stated that before any firm sends out a survey, he would like Council to see it.

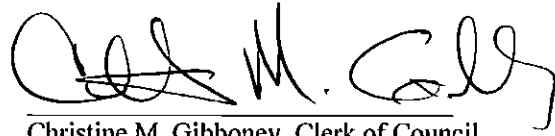
Mayor's Discussion

- Referenced the Erie County MPO meeting at 2:30p.m. on April 25,2018.
- Referenced an email relative to the NPDES permit regulations relating to Storm Water which he noted he would forward to Mr. Green.
- Thanked Dr. Forney for his attendance and presentation.

For the Good of the Order

- Mr. Artino asked what the overall debt of the city is. Mr. Spafford noted the estimate would be close to \$12 million.
- Ms. Crawford referenced a resident inquiry relative to the recent water bill lacking detail. Mr. White confirmed that there was a glitch in the system affecting the detail on the billing. Ms. Crawford referenced the Caryl Crane Youth Theater, noting low ticket sales and promoting/encouraging attendance.

There being no further business to come before the Council, the Mayor declared the regular meeting of April 24, 2018 adjourned at 8:53p.m.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Christine M. Gibboney". The signature is fluid and cursive, with a large initial "C" and "G".

Christine M. Gibboney, Clerk of Council

Marijuana Concerns

- 1 **Misinformation about the "effectiveness" and "safety" of "marijuana".** The term "medical marijuana" gives the impression that marijuana is not only safe, but a medicine. Its popularization continues to decrease the public's perception of the health risks of all forms of marijuana. The perceived risk of use has decreased from 80% of high school seniors reporting regular marijuana use as a "great risk" in 1992 to only 45% reporting marijuana use as risky in 2012. The prevalence of high school student use has greatly increased over the past decade. Johnston LD, O'Malley PM, et al. Monitoring the future adolescent drug use, U of Mich., 2012, Gonzalez R, Swanson JM Proc Natl Acad Sci U S A. 2012;109:15970-15971

Marijuana is being widely used in the US, in a 2015 survey, 22.2 million people used it in the past month.

Results from the 2015 National Survey on Drug Use and Health: Detailed Tables, SAMHSA, CBHSQ.

An average of approximately 7,000 new users each day in 2014, a total of 2.5 million persons aged ≥12 years had used marijuana for the first time during the preceding 12 months. During 2002–2014, the prevalence of marijuana use during the past month, past year, and daily or almost daily increased among persons aged ≥18 years. CDC. National Estimates of Marijuana Use and Related Indicators — National Survey on Drug Use and Health, United States, 2002–2014. Available at <https://www.cdc.gov/mmwr/volumes/65/ss/ss6511a1.htm>

Current Use

Age Group	Past Year	Past Month
8 th graders	9.4%	5.4%
10 th graders	23.9%	14.0%
12 th graders	35.6%	22.5%

Johnston L, O'Malley P, Miech R, Bachman J, Schulenberg J. *Monitoring the Future National Survey Results on Drug Use: 1975-2016: Overview: Key Findings on Adolescent Drug Use*. Ann Arbor, MI: Institute for Social Research, The University of Michigan; 2016.

- 2 **Few of the hundreds of constituent chemicals in the "marijuana" plant have been studied (either alone or in the myriad combinations of ratios between them) have been found.** Identified but not studied are: 115 Cannabinoids, 140 terpenes, 23 flavonoids, amino acids, sugars, nitrogenous compounds, proteins, alcohols, phenols and acids. 73,706,976,294,030,206,464 combinations. More chemicals are formed when it is set on fire, including carbon monoxide.
- 3 **Concerns about the proper dosing of "medical marijuana"**
- Changing the method of dosing from smoking to microdose inhalers, vaporizers, oromucosal sprays, tinctures, extracts and edibles does not mean the toxicities are adequately minimized. They all still have identified health risks.
 - The variability of the concentrations of THC, CBD, other ingredients, vehicles in a "dose"
 - The bioavailability and bioaccumulation (elimination t_{1/2} = 20 hrs to 10 days) of THC and other cannabinoids
 - Patient experience (recommended that the naive start at half a "regular dose").
 - Veteran patients are recommended to have "a 6-day receptor vacation". Only method of dealing with accumulation?
 - Use of other medications (many drugs interact, share the p450 enzyme system and have similar adverse effects).
 - Demographic issues (genetic, age, sex, ethnicity differences).
 - Personal risk factors (pregnancy, nursing, dependency and risk of psychosis).
- 4 **The fact that there are already medicines currently approved derived from marijuana, but sparingly used.**
- Dronabinol (Marinol) approved in 1985 for intractable nausea associated with cancer treatment
 - Nabilone (Cesamet) for nausea and neuropathic pain
 - Sativex (equal conc. THC and CBD) for spasticity assoc. w MS – Phase III clinical trials
 - Epidiolex (pure cannabidiol, CBD) being studied as an anticonvulsant, antipsychotic

A review of the scientific, peer-reviewed literature was published last year. The articles reviewed were from publications published from 1999 to the present, on the health effects of recreational and therapeutic cannabis use. Health Effects of Marijuana and Cannabis-Derived Products, National Academy of Sciences Engineering and Medicine, January 12, 2017 <http://www8.nationalacademies.org/onpl/news/newsitem.aspx?RecordID=24625>. It was conducted and sponsored by:

Federal: Centers for Disease Control and Prevent (CDC) National Institutes of Health (NIH) National Institutes of Drug Abuse (NIDA) National Highway Traffic Safety Admin. (NHTSA) National Cancer Institute (NCI) Food and Drug Administration (FDA)	State: Alaska Mental Health Trust Authority Arizona Dept of Health Servc Colorado Health Authority Oregon Health Authority Washington State Dept of Health
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- 5 **Serious concerns of the efficacy and safety of "medical marijuana" and the lack of adequate supporting scientific studies including clinical trials on medical cannabis as a plant or plant extract.** While it is claimed that "Medical marijuana" having less THC and more CBD is safer than recreational marijuana, the scientific evidence has not yet supported fully either the efficacy or safety claims. And, "Safer" does not mean Safe.
- a **Serious concerns of the efficacy of the treatment of many of the conditions for which it is claimed (see below)** Most uses of medical marijuana wouldn't pass and have not passed FDA review and are not supported by solid evidence from clinical trials a JAMA study finds (June 23/30, 2015). In spite of this fact, state legislatures are doing the work of the FDA without having their scientific background. The Ohio legislature has "approved" Ohio "medical marijuana doctors" writing "recommendations", giving approval for the following diseases: HIV/AIDS, Alzheimer's disease, Seizure disorders/epilepsy, Hepatitis C, ALS, inflammatory bowel disease, fibromyalgia, Parkinson's disease, Crohn's disease, multiple sclerosis, sickle cell anemia, Tourette's syndrome, traumatic brain/spinal injuries, Ulcerative colitis, Glaucoma. Ohio House Bill 523

What IS known (based upon the above scientific review) re "medical marijuana" efficacy:

Conclusive or substantial evidence that cannabis is effective for:

Treatment of chronic pain in adults, Antiemetic in chemotherapy induced nausea and vomiting
Improving patient-reported multiple sclerosis spasticity symptoms

Limited evidence that cannabis is effective for:

Increasing appetite & decreasing weight loss assoc. with HIV/AIDS; Improving clinician-measured multiple sclerosis spasticity symptoms; Improving anxiety symptoms in those with social anxiety disorders; Improving symptoms of post-traumatic stress disorder or traumatic brain

NO evidence that cannabis is effective for:

Treatment of cancer related anorexia; Treating symptoms of Irritable bowel syndrome; Epilepsy
Treatment of spasticity in patients with paralysis due to spinal cord injury; Treating certain neuropsychiatric symptoms of Huntington's disease

b Serious concerns of the toxicities of cannabis and cannabis extracts from scientific studies.

Established Health Effects based upon the above scientific review

Cardiovascular – associated with MI, Stroke, Transient Ischemic Attack (TIAs), peripheral vascular disease

Respiratory – increased airflow resistance, asthma, >2x risk of lung cancer in 2 large epidemiologic studies.
Smoking causes pulmonary inflammation, an increase in sympathetic tone, mucous gland hypertrophy and significant decrease in mucociliary clearance

Addictive potential – adolescents are high risk as their brains are still developing, changing until the early 20's

Gateway drug – cannabis exposure affects reactivity and regulation of dopamine neurons (pleasure). Exposure in utero, childhood and adolescent is worst. Those who smoke marijuana have increased likelihood of developing a substance use disorder.

Brain development - Youth marijuana use causes permanent brain impairment during critical growth stages during adolescents; decreases IQ as much as 8 points; Increases delinquency and risky behavior; and increases suicidal thoughts. Researchers at Northwestern University and Harvard Medical Center

Mental Health - Down-regulation of CB1 receptor density and reactivity

Anxiety – may induce anxiety in naïve users with high THC content. Anxiety is associated with cannabis withdrawal. Chronic cannabis use is associated with an increased prevalence of anxiety disorders

Depression – Although many "claim" cannabis alleviates depression, research indicates that not only is it not effective, but that it may worsen. Studies show chronic cannabis use, esp. with early onset have higher rates of depression

Psychosis - There is substantial evidence of the association between cannabis use and the development of schizophrenia and other psychoses with the highest risk among the most frequent users. Strong evidence supports the relationship between cannabis intoxication & acute psychosis. A meta-analysis indicated a 40% increased risk of developing a chronic psychotic disorder among individuals who had ever smoked cannabis.

Impairment - Duration: High for 2 hrs, but impairment for 4-6 hrs

Effects: Euphoria (inc. risk taking), sense of well-being, relaxation, disorientation, lack of concentration, impaired memory, distorted perception, slowed reaction time and tracking, distortion of time and distance, flights of fragmentary thoughts, drowsiness, Loss of coordination, reddening of the eyes, diminished reflexes Impairment in socialization, education, workplace activity

A systematic review of 105 studies showed that impairment in:

- attention & psychomotor function were likely to persist, and
- learning & memory may possibly persist after cessation of use

Broyd SJ, van Hell HH, Beate C, Yucel M, Solowij N. Acute and Chronic Effects of Cannabinoids on Human Cognition-A Systematic Review. *Biol Psychiatry*. 2016 Apr 1;79(7):557-67.

6 Other concerns

- The lack of adequate education and training of the public, educators, health care professionals, law enforcement, prosecutors, and the courts, on the facts concerning marijuana and medical marijuana use, its health risks and civil and criminal liability issues.
- The movement to revive cannabis as a medicine is driven by multiple factors, including the inadequate relief provided by current approaches to relieving a number of debilitating chronic diseases or symptoms AND a desire to see marijuana legalized and legitimized
- The decline in respect for scientific authority and the increase in web and pop culture based opinions
- The increase in low-information, gullible, self-confident individuals, using questionable remedies
- The growing acceptance of drug intoxication
- The packaging and marketing of products in other states directed to youth with candy, cookies, soda pop, and like products.
- The growing number of accidental edible marijuana overdoses by young children and adults in states where the edibles are available
- The dramatic increase in the work of law enforcement officers and courts in states that have legalized recreational and medical marijuana in spite of claims that legalization will reduce workload and allow law enforcement to focus on other public safety issues.
- The cost of legalization experienced in jurisdictions legalizing marijuana offsetting promised revenue gains.

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Eagle Scout, Troop 179, Central Indiana Council, Indianapolis, IN, 1960
Teaching Excellence, Medical College of Ohio, 1980
Honorary Life Member, Society of Phi Kappa Phi, 1982
Outstanding Leadership, Toledo/Lucas County CARES (Drug Abuse Council), 1984
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