

50TH GIRARD CITY COUNCIL
MONDAY, JULY 12, 2021
REGULAR MINUTES/JOURNAL

PLEDGE

ROLL CALL

PRESIDENT OF COUNCIL	MR. REYNALD J. PAOLONE	PRESENT
FIRST WARD COUNCILMAN	MR. KEITH SCHUBERT	PRESENT
SECOND WARD COUNCILMAN	MR. MARK STANDOHAR	PRESENT
THIRD WARD COUNCILMAN	MR. JEFFREY KAY	PRESENT
FOURTH WARD COUNCILMAN	MR. THOMAS GRUMLEY	PRESENT
COUNCILMAN-AT-LARGE	MS. LILY MARTUCCIO	PRESENT
COUNCILMAN-AT-LARGE	MR. JOHN MOLITERNO	PRESENT
COUNCILMAN-AT-LARGE	MR. SAMUEL ZIRAFI	PRESENT

COMMUNICATIONS

ADDITIONS & DELETIONS

50-59

AN ORDINANCE ESTABLISHING A PART-TIME SWORN POLICE OFFICER PROGRAM FOR THE CITY OF GIRARD, OHIO.
MOTION MOLITERNO SECOND ZIRAFI TO ADD 50-59 TO THE AGENDA OF JULY 12, 2021.

SCHUBERT
STANDOHAR
KAY
GRUMLEY
MARTUCCIO
MOLITERNO - 1
ZIRAFI - 2
PASSED 7 YES VOTES

50-60

AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO ENTER INTO LEASE AND RIGHT OF ENTRY AGREEMENTS WITH YOUNGSTOWN BELT RAILROAD COMPANY FOR THE SETTLEMENT AND RESOLUTION OF THE CITY'S PENDING APPROPRIATION LITIGATION AND DECLARING IT AN EMERGENCY.

MOTION MOLITERNO SECOND GRUMLEY TO ADD 50-60 TO THE AGENDA OF JULY 12, 2021.

SCHUBERT
STANDOHAR
KAY
GRUMLEY - 2
MARTUCCIO
MOLITERNO - 1
ZIRAFI
PASSED 7 YES VOTES

ACCEPTANCE OF THE AGENDA

MOTION SCHUBERT SECOND ZIRAFI TO ACCEPT THE AGENDA OF JULY 12, 2021 AS AMENDED.

SCHUBERT - 1
STANDOHAR
KAY
GRUMLEY
MARTUCCIO
MOLITERNO
ZIRAFI - 2
PASSED 7 YES VOTES

APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES

MOTION ZIRAFI SECOND MARTUCCIO TO APPROVE THE MINUTES OF JUNE 28, 2021 AS WRITTEN.

SCHUBERT
STANDOHAR
KAY
GRUMLEY - ABSTAIN
MARTUCCIO - 2
MOLITERNO
ZIRAFI - 1
PASSED 6 YES VOTES

FIRE CHIEF KEN BORNEMISS PRESENT

CHIEF BORNEMISS:

Ladies and gentlemen of council, I want to introduce you to Sean Guy. Sean is our newest firefighter/medic. He was appointed by the Mayor in May to his full-time position. Sean is a graduate of Poland Seminary High School. While he was still in high school he joined the Poland Township volunteer fire department as a cadet in 2013. He is still an active lieutenant with that fire department.

In 2015, after he graduated from high school, he attended Mahoning County Career & Technical Center for Fire Academy where he received his Firefighter 1 and 2 certifications. Also in 2015 he received his EMT basic certification at YSU.

From 2015 to 2020 he worked for various ambulance companies, including Clemente and AMR, and also worked as a part-time firefighter in McDonald, Brookfield and here in Girard. He was part of our part-time program.

He received his paramedic certification through the University Hospitals in December of 2020.

I want to thank the Mayor, because this was a really time-crunched appointment. Thank you for acting on it so quickly. We had an unexpected resignation and we had to get this done to keep our staffing levels as they are.

All I can say is that I know we got a good one here and I look forward to having him and having him serve the people in Girard for a long career as a firefighter/medic in our city. Thank you.

CITIZEN'S COMMENTS

NO COMMENTS

REPORTS OF OFFICERS AND DIRECTORS OF THE CITY

MAYOR JAMES J. MELFI PRESENT

MAYOR MELFI:

Thank you, Mr. Chairman. One item tonight I want to indulge on council, if I may: We have applied for CHIP funds for a couple of decades plus. I need an ordinance giving me the authority to apply for another round of CHIP funding for the City of Girard. It's going to be the same format as before with one exception, Cortland is joining our application. So it would be Niles, Girard, Hubbard, and Cortland. So if I may indulge upon council about passing the fiscal year 2021 application, I would appreciate it. That's all I have, Mr. Chairman, for this evening.

MR. PAOLONE: We have that, Jim?

MAYOR MELFI: It's pretty much the same paperwork we've always had.

MR. PAOLONE: So you'll have it for the next meeting?

MAYOR MELFI: I would like to have it this evening.

MR. PAOLONE: We don't have any paperwork.

MAYOR MELFI: That's fine. Next meeting is our last meeting. As long as I have it by the next meeting, that will be fine.

MR. PAOLONE: We'll get it done. Questions for Jim?

COMMENTS: NONE

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SAFETY/SERVICE DIRECTOR JERRY LAMBERT PRESENT

MR. LAMBERT:

Just one thing as well, the bid opening for the street paving is Thursday. We're hoping to get at least three bids, which is pretty good for three. So if anybody wants to call after lunch, I can let you know exactly what is going on there.

Also on that one piece of legislation that you will see on 50-58, there was two different ordinances that were handed out. The original ordinance that we had asked for was the one that had \$15.00 an hour. We were

talking to the police chief and he thinks it would be better off going to 16 instead of 15. We would be more apt to get people to apply for that. And the one that you added tonight is also for dispatchers. We are having a very difficult time getting dispatchers and we want to make that figure exactly the same. Those are the two.

MR. PAOLONE: Brian, if I may. We have the original that we asked for and we have one with an amendment. We need to enact that amendment first, correct?

MR. KREN: Correct.

MR. PAOLONE: I'll take care of it. You also have the floor.

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LAW DIRECTOR BRIAN KREN PRESENT

MR. KREN:

I don't have a report. I would just ask for executive session to go over litigation with the railroad at the end of the meeting after new legislation. No action to be taken after.

MR. PAOLONE: No voting after?

MR. KREN: No.

MR. PAOLONE: We'll do that after new legislation.

COMMENTS:

MR. GRUMLEY: Brian, is there any timeline on this 50-60 that was added tonight?

MR. KREN: Could you specify?

MR. GRUMLEY: The railroad.

MR. KREN: Ideally by the end of the month or a third meeting being scheduled sometime.

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AUDITOR JULIE COLEMAN PRESENT

MS. COLEMAN:

I'll get into more detail during the finance meeting but the first payment of the OWDA loan was made July 1, and also the last payment of the previous general bond loan was paid at the end of June, so we're now in our new two-year agreement.

MR. PAOLONE: Questions for Julie?

COMMENTS: NONE

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TREASURER MARK ZUPPO ABSENT

COMMENTS: NONE

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FIRE CHIEF KEN BORNEMISS PRESENT

COMMENTS: NONE

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POLICE CHIEF JOHN NORMAN ABSENT

COMMENTS: NONE

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COMMITTEE REPORTS

FINANCES - MOLITERNO-GRUMLEY-ZIRAFI

MR. MOLITERNO:

No report other than a reminder that we have a Finance Committee meeting at 6:30 in two weeks prior to our next meeting.

MR. PAOLONE: Remember that's our last meeting for seven weeks, so keep that in the back of your heads.

COMMENTS: NONE

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ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT - MARTUCCIO-STANDOHAR-MOLITERNO

MS. MARTUCCIO:

I just want to remind everyone there is an End of Summer Parade August 14 at 7:00 p.m. And I heard that they would really like to see council participate and the administration and whoever and have a nice showing for the parade. I have applications here for anyone who would like to do that. And shop local. Thank you.

COMMENTS: NONE

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BUILDINGS & GROUNDS - SCHUBERT-MARTUCCIO-STANDOHAR

MR. SCHUBERT:

NO REPORT

COMMENTS: NONE

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HEALTH & SAFETY - GRUMLEY-SCHUBERT-KAY

MR. GRUMLEY:

NO REPORT

COMMENTS: NONE

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STREETS SIDEWALKS/EMPLOYEE WELFARE- STANDOHAR-KAY-GRUMLEY

MR. STANDOHAR:

Just in regards to the service director's report. The opening of bids, as he said, will be this Thursday, so I'll be discussing that later with him in the week. And then, of course, he and I will both have an update at the last meeting in July. Thank you.

COMMENTS: NONE

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UTILITIES - ZIRAFI-MOLITERNO-SCHUBERT

MR. ZIRAFI:

NO REPORT

COMMENTS: NONE

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ZONING - KAY-ZIRAFI-MARTUCCIO

MR. KAY:

NO REPORT

COMMENTS: NONE

50-55 **MOLITERNO** **SECOND READING**
 AN ORDINANCE ADOPTING AN ALTERNATIVE TAX BUDGET FOR THE
 CITY OF GIRARD, OHIO FOR THE FISCAL YEAR COMMENCING
 JANUARY 1, 2022, AND SUBMITTING COPIES OF SAME TO THE
 TRUMBULL COUNTY BUDGET COMMISSION.

**MOTION MOLITERNO SECOND ZIRAFI TO SUSPEND THE THIRD
 READING OF 50-55.**

SCHUBERT
 STANDOHAR
 KAY

GRUMLEY
 MARTUCCIO
 MOLITERNO - 1

ZIRAFI - 2
 PASSED 7 YES VOTES

MOTION MOLITERNO SECOND ZIRAFI FOR PASSAGE OF 50-55.

SCHUBERT
 STANDOHAR
 KAY

GRUMLEY
 MARTUCCIO
 MOLITERNO - 1

ZIRAFI - 2
 PASSED 7 YES VOTES

50-58 **MOLITERNO**
 AN ORDINANCE AMENDING ORDINANCE 6658-95 TO INCREASE THE
 SALARY FOR THE PART-TIME POLICE DISPATCHERS OF THE CITY
 OF GIRARD.

**MOTION MOLITERNO SECOND ZIRAFI FOR AN AMENDMENT TO
 SECTION 1 TO BE \$16.00 PER HOUR.**

SCHUBERT
 STANDOHAR
 KAY

GRUMLEY
 MARTUCCIO
 MOLITERNO - 1

ZIRAFI - 2
 PASSED 7 YES VOTES

50-59 **MOLITERNO** **FIRST READING**
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 OFFICER PROGRAM FOR THE CITY OF GIRARD, OHIO.

50-60

MOLITERNO

FIRST READING

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NEW LEGISLATION

MOTION KAY SECOND STANDOHAR FOR AN APPLICATION FOR A CHIP GRANT.

SCHUBERT
STANDOHAR - 2
KAY - 1
GRUMLEY
MARTUCCIO
MOLITERNO
ZIRAFI
PASSED 7 YES VOTES

MOTION STANDOHAR SECOND SCHUBERT TO PREPARE LEGISLATION FOR STREET PAVING.

SCHUBERT - 2
STANDOHAR - 1
KAY
GRUMLEY
MARTUCCIO
MOLITERNO
ZIRAFI
PASSED 7 YES VOTES

MOTION ZIRAFI SECOND GRUMLEY TO GO INTO EXECUTIVE SESSION TO DISCUSS LITIGATION.

SCHUBERT
STANDOHAR
KAY
GRUMLEY - 2
MARTUCCIO
MOLITERNO
ZIRAFI - 1
PASSED 7 YES VOTES

EXECUTIVE SESSION

MOTION GRUMLEY SECOND MOLITERNO TO LEAVE EXECUTIVE SESSION.

SCHUBERT

STANDOHAR

KAY

GRUMLEY - 1

MARTUCCIO

MOLITERNO - 2

ZIRAFI

PASSED 7 YES VOTES

ADJOURNMENT

MOTION GRUMLEY SECOND MOLITERNO FOR ADJOURNMENT OF THE MEETING OF JULY 12, 2021.

SCHUBERT

STANDOHAR

KAY

GRUMLEY - 1

MARTUCCIO

MOLITERNO - 2

ZIRAFI

PASSED 7 YES VOTES

REYNALD J. PAOLONE,
PRESIDENT OF COUNCIL

KELLY HAASE,
ALTERNATE CLERK OF COUNCIL