CITY OF HARRISON

COUNCIL MINUTES

18 FEBRUARY 2020

The Pledge of Allegiance was said. Pastor Ronnie Wolfe of the 1st Baptist Church of Harrison offered the invocation.

The meeting opened with Roll Call at 7:33pm.
Council met in regular session with Mayor Bill Neyer presiding. Members present included: Mr. Ethan Dole, Mr. Tony Egner, Mr. Ryan Grubbs, Mr. Matt Hackworth, Mr. Mike Mains, Mr. Ryan Samuels and Mrs. Jean Wilson. Mr. Bill Deters was in attendance as Law Director.

Mr. Grubbs made a motion, seconded by Mr. Dole, to approve the Council Meeting minutes from February 4, 2020. **Roll Call: All – yea.**

Invited Guests & Visitors
Economic Development Director Shannon Hamons introduced Ms. Sydney Murray from Register Publications who gave the Greater Harrison Chamber of Commerce Update.
Director Hamons then introduced Wm. H. Harrison High School Assistant Principal and Athletic Director, Mr. Mark Meibers, who addressed Council about improvements to the athletic fields at the high school.
Mr. Kevin Kahn, the 1st District's Libertarian Candidate for the U.S. House of Representatives introduced himself to Council and told about himself and his platform.

Business
Mr. Samuels made a motion, seconded by Mr. Grubbs, to add the following Ordinance approval to the agenda. **Roll Call: All – yea.**

Mr. Grubbs made a motion seconded by Mr. Hackworth to Approve an Ordinance Approving the Purchase of a Vehicle for Use by the City of Harrison. This is for a new ambulance replacing an older one that will be sold. There was some discussion. The item is already budgeted in for 2020. **Roll Call: All – yea. (Ordinance #3-20)**

Mayor's Report
Mayor Neyer invited everyone to go to 1860's Taproom in the month of April because the Community tap proceeds will benefit the Mayor's Fund. The Mayor has been involved in financial discussions on the YMCA and the next step will be a feasibility study. At the Greater Harrison Chamber of Commerce Annual Community Breakfast the Mayor spoke about the State of the City, and people can watch his speech on the Harrison website.

Law Director's Report

Mr. Deter's had no report.

Council – Committee Reports

Mrs. Wilson

Veteran's Liaison: Mrs. Wilson reported the Wall that Heals will be at the VFW in June. Police Officer Byron Wilbur and Southwest Schools Custodian Larry Black as the civilian lifesaver will be honored at the Hamilton County American Legion Law and Order Program on March 4th. Judge Amy Searcy is the speaker.
The Hamilton County Veterans Service Commission helps veterans in need.

Building and Lands: Mrs. Wilson reported the next meeting is March 31st at 6pm.

Mr. Egner

Recreation Committee: Mr. Egner attended the meeting on February 12th. The 2020 schedule of events is set. The Easter egg hunt is April 11th. Summer Fun is limited to 150 kids this year. They also discussed repairs to the skate park.

Mr. Grubbs

Mr. Grubbs reported the Resource Committee's next meeting is cancelled.

Fire Committee: The Committee met this evening and Mr. Grubbs reported the fire department put in 988 hours of training in the month of January, the installation of the garage ventilation systems will start soon, and they are looking for grant money for updating the radio system.

Hamilton County EMHSA is having a weather awareness poster contest for grades 3-5.

Mr. Samuels

Finance Committee: Mr. Samuels reported the next meeting is January 29th at 5pm.

Social Media Committee: Mr. Samuels reported the City's website is all updated.

Mr. Dole

Planning Commission: Mr. Dole reported the Commission met on February 11th. The 6th section of Whitewater Trails plot plan and Ladyhawk Events/Marie Diane Photography relocation from 104 to 211 Harrison Avenue were both approved.

Streets, Stormwater and Utilities Committee: Mr. Dole reported the next meeting is March 3rd at 6:15pm.

Mr. Mains

Tree Board: Mr. Mains reported the next meeting will be the 4th Tuesday in March.

Economic Development: The Committee's next meeting is March 3rd at 5:45pm.

Mr. Hackworth

Police Committee: The Committee met this evening, and Mr. Hackworth reported there were 36 accidents in Harrison in January. One of the other things the Police do for the public is vacation house checks. There were 90 of these in January. The department is looking for grants for a utility vehicle for the SRO because the campus size will be so large. The 1860's Taproom's Community tap proceeds for March will benefit the Police Department. As of July 1st Ohio will no longer require a front license plate on vehicles.

There being no further business Mr. Grubbs made a motion to adjourn at 8:44pm, Mr. Mains seconded. **Roll Call: All – yea.**

William Neyer, Mayor

ATTEST:

Risa Dole, Clerk