

CITY OF HARRISON

COUNCIL MINUTES

6 AUGUST 2019

Prior to the meeting, there was a Public Hearing at 7:02pm until 7:14pm on the Ordinance for Medical Marijuana Regulation and another from 7:17pm until 7:23pm for the Ordinance on Trash Can Screening. The Pledge of Allegiance was said. Mr. Mike Mains offered the invocation.

The meeting opened with Roll Call at 7:32pm.

Council met in regular session with Mayor Bill Neyer presiding. Members present included: Mrs. Cindy Abrams, Mr. Ethan Dole, Mr. Ryan Grubbs, Mr. Mark Louis, Mr. Mike Mains and Mr. Hank Menninger. Mr. Bill Deters was in attendance as the Law Director.

Mr. Louis made a motion, seconded by Mr. Dole to approve the Council meeting minutes from July 16, 2019, Special Council meeting minutes from August 1, 2019 and Executive Session minutes from July 16, 2019. **Roll Call: Dole, Mains, Menninger, Grubbs, Louis – yea. Abrams – abstained (was not at these meetings)**

Mr. Grubbs made a motion, seconded by Mr. Menninger to excuse Mr. Galindo's absence from the Council Meeting. **Roll Call: All – yea.**

Invited Guests & Visitors:

Shannon Hamons introduced Mike Wilson, Manager of Cincinnatus, to Council. They were the July Chamber Member of the Month. Mike told some information about his business.

The 11 members of this year's Harrison Junior City Council received certificates of achievement from Council Member Cindy Abrams.

Phyllis Wolf with the 1st Presbyterian Church addressed Council with her concerns about 4 trees beside the Church on Broadway that have the sidewalk pushed up and uneven. Several people have fallen because of it. The Mayor told her the Public Works Director would look into the problem.

Roger Essen, resident and pickle ball player, again asked Council when the top coat was going to go on the pickleball courts. Mr. Mains let him know that the Township will be contacting the person whose estimate Mr. Essen gave to Council to proceed with finishing both the pickle ball and tennis courts.

Mr. Grubbs made a motion, seconded by Mr. Menninger to approve an Ordinance Determining to Proceed to Renew an Existing Tax Levy. **Roll Call: All – yea. (Ordinance #13-2019)**

Mr. Dole made a motion, seconded by Mr. Grubbs to approve an Ordinance to Amend Section 1147.29 and 1147.32 of the Harrison Codified Ordinances. **Roll Call: All – yea. (Ordinance #14-2019)**

Mr. Menninger made a motion to approve an Ordinance to Amend Section 1143.08 and 1143.09 of the Harrison Codified Ordinances with amendments of adding 1(one) each for Cultivation, Processing, Testing and Retail on pages 4 and 6, seconded by Mr. Grubbs. **Roll Call: All – yea. (Ordinance #15-2019)**

Mayor’s Report:

Mayor Neyer congratulated the Harrison Junior City Council. He also announced the Mayor’s Fund Golf Outing is September 21st. People are needed to volunteer to help and to golf. The Mayor’s Fund provides over \$25,000 a year in assistance.

Law Director’s Report:

Mr. Deters had no report.

Council – Committee Reports:

Mrs. Abrams

Economic Development: Mrs. Abrams reported that Economic Development met this evening. Legislation for the CRA was tabled until the annexation is final for 2 properties near West Road. The 1860 Tap Room and Bottleshop opened in the District on August 3rd. Work is continuing on other District businesses. Building plans may be submitted soon for a large industrial building near Cronin Kia. Economic Development’s next meeting is September 3rd at 6:15pm.

The Hamilton County Emergency Management Executive Committee met on July 22nd. Items discussed were President Trump declared Ohio a disaster area for March 17th, and their budget is on target. Harrison is a partner with Alert HC and residents can always sign up to receive emergency notifications.

Mr. Menninger

Law Committee: The Law Committee met this evening. Mr. Menninger reported they discussed pending litigation in Executive Session and they are again looking at golf cart legislation and examples from Terrace Park. There will be no Law Committee meeting in September.

OKI: The next OKI meeting will be in September.

Mr. Grubbs

Budget & Finance Committee: Mr. Grubbs reported it is budget review time for the City. The next meeting is August 14th at 5:30pm.

Mr. Louis

Mr. Louis had no reports this evening.

Mr. Dole

Streets Committee: Mr. Dole reported that Streets, Utilities and Storm Water Committees met this evening. Items discussed were Hill Street should have its top coat this coming week, Harrison Avenue from State Street to Jefferson Street will be repaved on August 12th and 13th by RLA, there will be a bid opening on August 15th for street work to be done on Washington Street from Park to Madison and Madison Street. They have decided to get estimates for a retention pond at the end of Biddle Avenue to help with the storm sewer issues they have been having there. Utilities rate studies will be reviewed in September. The Stone Drive sewer project is going to take about 7 or 8 months so the detours will be posted on the City website.

Planning Commission's next meeting is August 13th at 7:30pm.

Mr. Mains

Tree Board: Mr. Mains reported that the Board met July 23rd and discussed new tree placement around the City.

Recreation Committee: Mr. Mains told about how busy Recreation has been with the Wine Walk, concerts and movies. All the events have been well attended. The next Committee meeting is August 14th.

Building and Lands Committee: Mr. Mains reported they met on July 30th and discussed the pickle ball courts topcoat and Willow Park estimates for repair and grant writing.

Mr. Menninger reminded about the Comprehensive Plan Annual Review on August 17th at 8am at Market Street Grille.

The Mayor reminded everyone school is getting ready to begin so watch for children.

There being no further business Mr. Grubbs made a motion to adjourn at 8:17pm, Mr. Louis seconded. **Roll Call: All – yea.**

ATTEST:  Risa Dole, Clerk

 William Neyer, Mayor