

CITY OF PATASKALA

COUNCIL MEETING

June 2, 2014

The Council of the City of Pataskala met in regular session on June 2, 2014 at 7:00 PM in City Hall, located at 621 W. Broad Street. The pledge of allegiance was given and an invocation was provided. Roll Call: Fox, Hayes, Barstow, Sagar, Hickin, Lenzo, and Gibson-present. Mayor Michael W. Compton presiding and Rufus B. Hurst were present.

Citizens Comments

Emily Johnson, Pete Nix, Connie Klema, Penny Zuber addressed Council these comments as well as Council's comments are available by audio recording through the Office of the Clerk of Council in accordance with the City's record retention schedule.

Hayes made a motion to amend the agenda to move the Executive Session pursuant to 121.22(g) (3) to item 5 between Citizens' Comments and Introduction, discussion and approval of Consent Agenda matters. Seconded by Fox. Roll Call: Hayes, Barstow, Sagar, Hickin, Lenzo, Gibson, and Fox-yes. Mayor Compton declared the motion passed.

Hayes made a motion to go into Executive Session pursuant to Ohio Revised Code section 121.22(G)(3) for a conference with an attorney, for the public body, concerning disputes involving the public body that are the subject of pending or imminent court action. Seconded by Hickin. Roll Call: Barstow, Sagar, Hickin, Lenzo, Gibson, Fox, and Hayes-yes. Mayor Compton declared the motion passed.

Council entered into Executive Session at 7:19 PM.

Fox made a motion to come out of Executive Session. Seconded by Hickin. Roll Call: Sagar, Hickin, Lenzo, Gibson, Fox, Hayes, and Barstow-yes. Mayor Compton declared the motion passed.

Council returned to open session at 7:41 PM.

Fox made a motion to approve the Consent Agenda. Seconded by Barstow. Roll Call: Fox, Hayes, Barstow, Sagar, Hickin, Lenzo, and Gibson-yes. Mayor Compton declared the motion passed.

The Consent Agenda included the Administrator's Report, Department Reports, the minutes from the May 19, 2014 Council Public Hearing and Council Meeting, a motion to excuse the absence of Bryan Lenzo from the Council Public Hearing held on May 19, 2014 and a motion to excuse the absence of Dan Hayes and Pat Sagar from all meetings held on May 19, 2014.

Hayes made a motion to amend the agenda to change item # 10 from pursuant to 121.22(G)(3) for a conference with an attorney, for the public body, concerning disputes involving the public body that are the subject of pending or imminent court action to 121.22(G)(1) to consider the appointment, employment, dismissal, discipline, promotion, demotion, or compensation of a public employee or official, or the investigation of charges or complaints against a public employee, official, licensee, or regulated individual, unless the public employee, official, licensee, or regulated individual requests a public hearing. Seconded by Hickin. Roll Call: Hickin, Lenzo, Gibson, Fox, Hayes, Barstow, and Sagar-yes. Mayor Compton declared the motion passed.

Unfinished Business

Hayes made a motion to remove Ordinance 2014-4189 from the table. Seconded by Barstow. Roll Call: Lenzo, Gibson, Fox, Hayes, Barstow, Sagar, and Hickin-yes. Mayor Compton declared the motion passed.

Discussion was regarding a detailed explanation for the reasons for the amendment to the Police Fund and concerns for the future police carryover.

Hayes made a motion to adopt **ORDINANCE 2014-4189** an ordinance to make supplemental appropriations for current expenses and other expenditures during the fiscal year ending December 31, 2014. Seconded by Barstow. Roll Call: Gibson, Fox, Hayes, Barstow, Sagar, Hickin, and Lenzo-yes. Mayor Compton declared the motion passed.

Fox made a motion to have the second reading of Ordinance 2013-4188. Seconded by Barstow. The Clerk read the following:

ORDINANCE 2014-4188 Second Reading An ordinance to amend the 2014 Pay Matrix for the Non-Collectively Bargained Employees for the City of Pataskala, effective for the pay period beginning on January 6, 2014.

Hayes made a to remove the motion to reaffirm Council's position authorizing Mr. Hollins to conduct research on our current TIF on State Route 310 and other economic incentives and make recommendations from the table. Seconded by Sagar. Roll Call: Hayes-yes, Barstow-no, Sagar-yes, Hickin-yes, Lenzo-yes, Gibson-yes, and Fox-no. Mayor Compton declared the motion passed.

Hayes made a motion to adopt the motion to reaffirm Council's position authorizing Mr. Hollins to conduct research on our current TIF on State Route 310 and other economic incentives and make recommendations. Seconded by Sagar. Discussion was regarding that we are a small city with a very tight budget, concerns with assisting the developers with these funds, the need for an attorney to advise us, the need to have input from our staff, and possibly utilizing the Planning Director to advise us in both the capacity of a Planning Director and an Attorney. Acting

Planning Director Walther requested Mr. Hurst's advice to determine if that would be appropriate. Fox made a motion to amend to direct Mr. Hollins to coordinate and include the City Planning Director in his efforts. Seconded by Barstow. Discussion was regarding the possible additional expenses in doing so. Roll Call on the motion to amend: Sagar, Hickin, Lenzo, Gibson, Fox, Hayes, and Barstow-yes. Mayor Compton declared the motion to amend passed. Roll Call on the original motion to adopt as amended: Barstow, Sagar, Hickin, Lenzo, Gibson, Fox, and Hayes-yes. Mayor Compton declared the motion passed as amended.

Reports

Mayor Compton gave an update on coming events, the Licking Memorial Hospital expansion, and the status of donations for the 4th of July Fireworks.

Dan Hayes, Council President had nothing to report.

Rufus Hurst, Law Directory had nothing to report.

Nathan Coey, Acting City Administrator gave an update of a donation of a bench to replace the one at the Veterans Green.

Andy Walther, Acting Planning Director had nothing additional to report.

James Nicholson gave an update on the 2014 RAMP Bid Opening and the possible benefits of the Healthcare Consortium.

New Business

There was nothing.

Additional Citizens Comments

Mark Schillig, Eileen DeRolf and David Hughes provided public comments and these comments are available by audio recording through the Office of the Clerk of Council in accordance with the City's record retention schedule.

Hickin gave an update on the Ad hoc Search Committee progress.

Compton noted all the professionals working for the city and noted the progress being made.

Fox noted the quick answers he is receiving from the staff.

Hayes made a motion to go into Executive Session pursuant to Ohio Revised Code section 121.22(G) (1) to consider the appointment, employment, dismissal, discipline, promotion, demotion, or compensation of a public employee or official, or the investigation of charges or complaints against a public employee, official, licensee, or regulated individual, unless the public employee, official, licensee, or regulated individual requests a public hearing. Seconded by Sagar. Roll Call: Hickin, Lenzo, Gibson, Fox, Hayes, Barstow, and Sagar-yes. Mayor Compton declared the motion passed.

Council entered into Executive Session at 8:24 PM.

Sagar made a motion to come out of Executive Session. Seconded by Hayes. Roll Call: Lenzo, Gibson, Fox, Hayes, Barstow, Sagar, and Hickin-yes. Mayor Compton declared the motion passed.

Council returned to open session at 9:03 PM.

Lenzo announced he would be leaving soon but wanted to express his desire that the directors attend each meeting to answer questions. Lenzo asked that the Granville Street parking issues be addressed at the next Street Committee Meeting.

Gibson thanked all those who came out for the Summer Fest last weekend and thanked the public for their comments. Gibson agreed with the comments that things were going well in the city.

Hickin gave an update on the Fire Board activities including an upcoming hearing related to Chief Fulmer and the retirement of Chief Mathews.

Hayes addressed the parking issues in the city and was unsure if there was ample space for no parking on Granville Street. Hayes noted he would not support city wide off street parking. Hayes noted the new story trail at Municipal Park.

Sagar noted her appreciation of the EMS and Fire Runs Report that he is providing. Sagar also noted all the activities that are taking place at the parks.

Barstow made a motion that the City authorizes the payment of Mr. Fox's attorney fees as his attorneys have billed the city. Compton declared the motion dies for a lack of a second.

Barstow made a motion to authorize the city through the City Attorney to arbitrate Mr. Fox's attorney fees. Motion dies for a lack of a second.

Barstow announced there would be a Finance Committee Meeting held on July 7th at 6:00 PM.

Fox announced he would be requesting the Mayor start an inquiry into the actions of the Law Director during the investigation.

Fox expressed his condolences to Mrs. Sagar and assured her that he had no involvement and understood the stress this kind of thing brings.

Fox read from Chapter 11 of the Charter of the City of Pataskala.

Hayes made a motion to adjourn. Seconded by Gibson. Roll Call: Hayes Barstow, Sagar, Hickin, Gibson, and Fox-yes. Mayor Compton declared the motion passed.

Meeting Adjourned.

Minutes approved June 16, 2014.

ATTEST:

Kathy M. Hoskinson, Clerk of Council

C. Daniel Hayes, Council President