

CITY OF PATASKALA

COUNCIL MEETING

July 21, 2014

The Council of the City of Pataskala met in regular session on July 21, 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

Eileen DeRolf, Tawn Anderson, Patricia Anderson, and Julie Williams 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.

Fox made a motion to approve the Consent Agenda. Seconded by Hayes. 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 July 7, 2014 Council Public Hearing and Council Meeting.

Unfinished Business

No action was taken to remove Ordinance 2013-4188 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 from the table.

Fox made a motion to have the second reading of Ordinance 2013-4190. Seconded by Sagar. The Clerk read the following:

ORDINANCE 2014-4190 <u>Second Reading</u> An ordinance to implement the City of Pataskala Safety Handbook for the Public Service and Utility Department Employees of the City Of Pataskala.

Fox made a motion to have the second reading of Ordinance 2013-4191. Seconded by Barstow. The Clerk read the following:

ORDINANCE 2014-4191 Second Reading An ordinance to amend the zoning map of the City of Pataskala for the property located on the east side of Mink Street south of SR16 and north of Refugee Road, and totaling 39.81 +/- acres, changing from the current zoning of AG (Agricultural Residential District) to Planned Development District. The applicant is Connie Klema Attorney for Magoo Properties, LLC.

Discussion was regarding the location of the property.

Reports

Mayor Compton announced receiving a letter from a resident that was out of state asking to be interred into the record. Copies of the letter and e-mails referenced in the letter were provided to Council and the media. Compton welcomed BJ King and thanked the crew for stepping up during the time we were searching for the new administrator.

John Grosse, Acting Director of Public Services gave an updated on the accomplishments of the department.

Fox inquired if any progress had been made on the drainage problem at Elite Heating and Cooling. Mr. Grosse explained that he needs to set up a meeting with Lewie Hoskinson to discuss the grades.

James Nicholson, Finance Director reviewed the legislation before Council this evening and suggested some possible changes to Ordinance 2014-4201.

New Business

Hayes made a motion to have the first reading of Ordinance 2014-4200. Seconded by Barstow. The Clerk read the following:

ORDINANCE 2014-4200 First Reading An ordinance authorizing the City Administrator to enter into an agreement with the Ohio Public Works Commission (OPWC) for grants and/or loans associated with Mink Road and Broad Street Intersection Improvements; to advertise for bids; to accept the lowest and best bids; and to advertise and solicit bids for construction of the aforementioned roadway improvements.

Hayes made a motion to dispense with the readings of Ordinance 2014-4201 on three separate dates as provided for in Section 4.04 of the Charter of the City of Pataskala. Seconded by Barstow. Roll Call: Hickin, Lenzo, Gibson, Fox, Hayes, Barstow, and Sagar-yes. Mayor Compton declared the motion passed.

Hayes made a motion to adopt Ordinance 2014-4200. Seconded by Sagar. Roll Call: Lenzo, Gibson, Fox, Hayes, Barstow, Sagar, and Hickin-yes. Mayor Compton declared the motion passed.

Hayes made a motion to have the first reading of Ordinance 2013-4201. Seconded by Hickin. The Clerk read the following:

ORDINANCE 2014-4201 First Reading An ordinance to create a Catastrophic Sick Leave Donation Policy, and to amend the Employee Handbook for Public Employees of the City of Pataskala.

Fox made a motion to adopt **RESOLUTION 2014-021** A resolution authorizing the City Administrator to enter into an agreement with the Ohio Public Entity Healthcare Cooperative (OPEC-HC) for the purpose of providing employee health insurance benefits. Seconded by Barstow. Roll Call: Fox, Hayes, Barstow, Sagar, Hickin, Lenzo, and Gibsonyes. Mayor Compton declared the motion passed.

Hayes made a motion to adopt **RESOLUTION 2014-022** A resolution declaring the official intent and reasonable expectation of the City of Pataskala on behalf of the State of Ohio (the borrower) to reimburse the City's State Issue II Fund for the Mink Street Reconstruction Phase III project (CQ27R) with the proceeds of Tax Exempt Debt of the State of Ohio. Seconded by Barstow. Roll Call: Hayes, Barstow, Sagar, Hickin, Lenzo, Gibson, and Fox-yes. Mayor Compton declared the motion passed.

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

Council entered into Executive Session at 7:39 PM.

Fox made a motion to go 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 8:05 PM

Mayor Compton announced that Mr. Lenzo had a medical emergency and would not be returning this evening.

Additional Citizens Comments

Emily Johnson, Julie Williams, and Tawn Anderson 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.

Fox made a motion to direct the Law Director to begin an investigation of the allegations presented by Eileen DeRolf about Patty Sagar. Motion dies for lack of a second.

Fox pointed out a double standard with regards to the investigations conducted.

Fox noted he was saddened by the direction council appears to have taken, saddened that residents feel the need to recall a council member, and the direction the Mayor has taken

when as investigation has been requested.

Barstow gave an update on the Finance Committee Meeting held this evening including the 2015 Budget Schedule.

Sagar announced a special meeting was held by the Parks and Recreation Advisory Board. She also gave an update on upcoming activities and long range planning.

Sagar acknowledged she had not responded to Mr. Roshong's e-mail but would do so now.

These comments in their complete form are available by audio recording through the Office of the Clerk of Council in accordance with the City's record retention schedule.

Hayes noted that the Mayor lives in Mrs. Sagar's ward and that being Mayor does not make him any less of a citizen.

Hickin gave an update on the meeting held with SWLCW&SD last week. Hickins welcomed Mr. King and thanked Nathan Coey for his services as Acting City Administrator.

Gibson welcomed BJ King. Gibson noted she has been on Council for 7 months and it has been a little disappointing. Emotionally charged discussions are no excuses for flying off the handle. Gibson noted she does not support continued investigations to put things behind us. She indicated it is time to move forward and that the recall will move forward. Gibson noted she does not live in Ward 1 but will be supporting Mrs. Sagar.

Mayor Compton noted he was asked to launch an investigation and he has looked into the matter and explained his findings and found no wrong doing.

Fox explained what he had done to assist at the accident scene and did not feel that the truth was being presented.

Hayes made a motion to adjourn. Seconded by Barstow. Roll Call: Gibson-yes, Fox-no, Hayes-yes, Barstow-yes, Sagar-yes, and Hickin-yes. Mayor Compton declared the motion passed. Meeting Adjourned.

Minutes approved August 4, 2014.

ATTEST:

Kathy M. Hoskinson, Clerk of Council

C. Daniel Hayes, Council P