

REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING – 7:00 P.M.

The Council of the City of Cortland met in regular session on Monday, June 15, 2015 at 7:00 p.m. at the City Administration Building, 400 N High St, Cortland, Ohio with Council President Jim Woofter presiding. Members of Council present were James Edwards, Dennis Linville, Deidre Petrosky, Scott Rowley and Terry Tackett (arrived at 7:01 p.m.); absent was Kevin Piros. Also present at the meeting were Mayor Moll, Law Director Wilson, Police Chief Andrews, Fire Chief Rea, and Terri Barnovsky; absent were Finance Director Moyer, Service Director Wittman and Clerk of Council Horn.

A motion to approve Council Minutes from the June 1, 2015 Council Meeting was made by Councilman Linville and seconded by Councilman Edwards. **ROLL CALL** - Edwards, aye; Linville, aye; Petrosky, abstain; Piros, absent; Rowley, aye; Tackett, absent; Woofter, aye. **MOTION PASSED**

(Councilman Tackett arrives at 7:01 p.m.)

A motion to approve Schedule of Bills to be paid totaling \$96,881.25 was made by Councilwoman Petrosky and seconded by Councilman Rowley. **ROLL CALL** - Edwards, aye; Linville, aye; Petrosky, aye; Piros, absent; Rowley, aye; Tackett, aye; Woofter, aye. **MOTION PASSED**

OLD BUSINESS:

ORDINANCE O-14-15 – An Ordinance authorizing the Service Director to rent equipment and purchase materials to seal pavement cracks and joints with a hot applied crack sealant material was read and moved for third and final reading by Councilman Rowley and seconded by Councilman Tackett. **ROLL CALL O-14-15** - Edwards, aye; Linville, aye; Petrosky, aye; Piros, absent; Rowley, aye; Tackett, aye; Woofter, aye. **ORDINANCE PASSED THIRD AND FINAL READING**

ORDINANCE O-15-15 – An Ordinance authorizing the Fire Chief to enter into an agreement with Grunder Contracting and Tile to remodel restroom facilities at the Cortland City Fire Station was read and moved for third and final reading by Councilman Tackett and seconded by Councilman Rowley.

COUNCIL PRESIDENT WOOFTER - When do you plan to get started, Chief?

FIRE CHIEF REA - Well, assuming this passes, I'll call them tomorrow so they can get us on their books.

ROLL CALL O-15-15 - Edwards, aye; Linville, aye; Petrosky, aye; Piros, absent; Rowley, aye; Tackett, aye; Woofter, aye. **ORDINANCE PASSED THIRD AND FINAL READING**

NEW BUSINESS:

RESOLUTION R-27-15 – A Resolution authorizing the Fire Department to provide educational services to paramedics, EMS crews and firefighters outside the city and to charge a fee for such services was read and moved by Councilman Linville and seconded by Councilman Edwards.

COUNCILMAN TACKETT - We've done this in the past, right?

MAYOR MOLL - We've been doing it for a long time. This was a comment by the auditors that we should have some kind of legislative basis for it so this is that. There will be a few more we are going to do like that. When I said comment, I didn't mean comment in the definition of auditing. There were some other things, although we have been doing them the correct way, we should have some legislative basis for doing them that way.

LAW DIRECTOR WILSON – I'd like to follow up the Mayor's comment with one of my own. I've been talking to other Law Directors in Trumbull County and they are getting asked to write legislation similar to this one where the auditor is suggesting to all entities they have more legislation passed to do things we've always been doing. There are not negative findings, as the Mayor said on our audit, it's just going forward to make sure that we...

MAYOR MOLL - We are trying to be careful though that we don't put administrative procedure into legislation. To me, that is a big mistake. Administrators need to be able to make decisions and if we have to go back to council every time we want to change something minor then it's a problem.

LAW DIRECTOR WILSON - I agree with the Mayor 100% and if that comes up with the auditor ever, I would go to bat for this board to say look that's administrative, we don't need legislation for that. I couldn't agree more, Mayor.

COUNCIL PRESIDENT WOOFER – And I believe what this is doing is just giving you the tool to...

MAYOR MOLL - to set it up.

COUNCIL PRESIDENT WOOFER – Yes, to set those charges. We are not directing you as to what those charges are. That is up to your department heads.

FIRE CHIEF REA - These just set the charges so when the auditor looks at it they'll access how much we are charging against how much Individual X paid.

ROLL CALL R-27-15 - Edwards, aye; Linville, aye; Petrosky, aye; Piros, absent; Rowley, aye; Tackett, aye; Woofter, aye. **MOTION PASSED**

RESOLUTION R-28-15 – A Resolution authorizing the Mayor of the City of Cortland, Ohio to place his signature on the replat of Lots 366 and 367 of Shepherd's Hill Plat No. 22 was read and moved by Councilman Linville and seconded by Councilman Rowley.

MAYOR MOLL - This was referred to us by the Zoning Board who reviewed it there. Basically, what this does, and there is a pretty good drawing in the hand out, is it makes two lots out of what was three lots down at the corner of Southdale and Rt. 305. It kind of cleans up the lines on the lots. It makes it a triangle and a rectangle instead of a triangle with a notch out of it. It will present one large lot on the corner.

COUNCIL PRESIDENT WOOFER – Two large lots.

MAYOR MOLL - No, one. The triangular lot is the lot Petrocco's W.A.E. Corp. use for their business.

COUNCIL PRESIDENT WOOFTER – Okay, I see.

MAYOR MOLL - There is an additional lot there.

COUNCIL PRESIDENT WOOFTER – Laura, would you mind coming to the podium and introducing yourself?

LAURA PETROCCO – 669 CEDAR DR

LAURA PETROCCO – My name is Laura Petrocco and I live at 669Cedar Dr, Cortland Ohio.

COUNCIL PRESIDENT WOOFTER – Do you have something in mind for this property at this point?

LAURA PETROCCO – Yes, but I can't disclose that.

ROLL CALL R-28-15 - Edwards, aye; Linville, aye; Petrosky, aye; Piros, absent; Rowley, aye; Tackett, aye; Woofter, aye. **MOTION PASSED**

ORDINANCE O-16-15 – An Ordinance authorizing the Mayor to enter an agreement with GPD Group to perform construction administration and inspection for the North High Street Pedestrian Enhancement Project was read and moved for first reading by Councilman Rowley and seconded by Councilwoman Petrosky. **ROLL CALL O-16-15** - Edwards, aye; Linville, aye; Petrosky, aye; Piros, absent; Rowley, aye; Tackett, aye; Woofter, aye. **ORDINANCE PASSED FIRST READING**

ORDINANCE O-17-15 – An Ordinance authorizing ODOT to perform PID No. 96568 resurfacing work on sections of SR 305 within the corporation limits in the City of Cortland, Ohio was read and moved for first reading by Councilwoman Petrosky and seconded by Councilman Edwards.

MAYOR MOLL - The state is going to resurface SR 305. They need to come to us to get permission to pave what's in the city and get assurance from us that if there's costs involved... (Inaudible)... local share... (Inaudible)... we will pay those costs. Last time they did one of these we didn't pay anything. But it could be \$20,000 or \$30,000 in which case we would pay. At this point, it's just asking your authorization to say yes go ahead and pave Rt 305 that's within the city. It's usually a really good deal for us financially.

COUNCIL PRESIDENT WOOFTER – Also, this isn't really scheduled until 2017.

MAYOR MOLL - It will be a couple years.

COUNCIL PRESIDENT WOOFTER – A couple years off in the distance. They are just setting themselves up to be ready to go.

ROLL CALL O-17-15 - Edwards, aye; Linville, aye; Petrosky, aye; Piros, absent; Rowley, aye; Tackett, aye; Woofter, aye. **ORDINANCE PASSED FIRST READING**

MAYOR'S REPORT:

MAYOR MOLL – The Cortland Lions Club Street Fair is coming up this week. We will all be somewhat involved in that, or not. It starts Thursday evening around 5:00 or 6:00 and runs through Saturday evening. The parade is Saturday at 6:00 p.m.

The Splash Pad fund is currently at 33% with pledges. They plan to have a Car Wash Fundraiser on Sat., June 27th from 10 to 4 at O'Reilly Auto Parts. They will also be at the street fair with a booth selling raffle tickets for baskets and things they have collected. Hopefully we will get some money out of both of those projects. We are still getting a pretty good number of donations coming in every week.

COUNCILMAN ROWLEY - Where is the booth going to be located at the street fair?

COUNCIL PRESIDENT WOOFER – On Main St.

MAYOR MOLL – Usually those kinds of booths are located near the Cortland Bank parking lot. That space between The Lions Club and Grove St.

FINANCE DIRECTOR'S REPORT:
(FINANCE DIRECTOR ABSENT)

COUNCIL PRESIDENT WOOFER – Our Finance Director is still off sick and I don't believe we have any reports from the Finance Dept.

MAYOR MOLL – No. We received an audit report today for our CHIP Program and there was one comment which we are going to respond to relative to us keeping money too long without turning it back it. I think we have that solved. There was a rule we did not know existed. Now we will follow it.

POLICE CHIEF'S REPORT:

POLICE CHIEF ANDREWS – The Soap Box Derby came and went this weekend without too much of a problem. Seems they were able to dodge the rain. Everything went well. I had no push back from the residents. So, we are still on board with running that. I'd like to thank the Service Dept. for putting up the barricades in a timely fashion. I know the county had the sign up at the one end, so she took care of that. That was good. Those were picked up today. They did a nice job with that to turn around and bring them back out Wednesday night.

Other than that, the street fair, like the Mayor said, is coming up. We are ready. We will have officers on foot in the streets and extra officers in the car from about 6:00 p.m. to 1:00 a.m. to cover the overlap. It looks like the weather is going to cooperate finally so we should be good. I believe you have my monthly report in your council packets. I'd be happy to answer any questions you may have.

MAYOR MOLL – The guys are going to put No Parking signs along our new grass so hopefully it won't get too badly damaged. It should be okay. Did they tear down Sunday? There was no racing on Sunday.

POLICE CHIEF ANDREWS – Either that or they did it very late on Saturday or early Sunday. It was down by lunch on Sunday.

MAYOR MOLL – Good. I was just curious.

FIRE CHIEF'S REPORT:

FIRE CHIEF REA – We got the county's ERV, Emergency Response Vehicle, from the EMA, so you will see that out and about on the streets during street fair. It allows us to get into tighter areas with all the people. Get in and get someone out that is either ill or injured off the concourse without walking over people

The work on the first station from the winter damage is complete. They put up the gutters while I was on vacation. So you'll be seeing that come across your desk. It was all part of the project. We did spend a little extra money to get some extra downspouts ran right in the valley so hopefully that water won't sit there next time.

The tornado siren is still a work in progress. We got all the parts they ordered, they put them all in and something else went wrong with it. So, they ordered more parts. It will be up and running when it's up and running. I don't have a date for you yet. The other two are still running.

COUNCILMAN TACKETT - Who installed that for us originally?

FIRE CHIEF REA – I have no idea who installed that originally. We have a packet. I'd have to go back and look.

COUNCILMAN TACKETT - I just wondered. Maybe...

MAYOR MOLL – We are going to go through the other two and make sure they don't have similar kinds of... What happened here is we had a break in the exterior packaging of the device so that it leaked water. We are going to make sure the other ones aren't like that. The ice probably caused it. We will do an inspection on them. The other thing is batteries need replaced every so often. So, those will be inspected as well.

FIRE CHIEF REA – Other than that, you have my monthly report and I'll answer any questions.

SERVICE DIRECTOR'S REPORT:

(SERVICE DIRECTOR WITTMAN ABSENT)

COUNCIL PRESIDENT WOOFER – Our Service Director has another engagement this evening. Mayor, do you have anything to speak on his behalf?

MAYOR MOLL – The intersection is done.

COUNCIL PRESIDENT WOOFER – Almost. I think they have the white stop lines they need to put in.

MAYOR MOLL – Yes. There are stop bars and left turn arrows and things like that that need to be painted in. I'm not sure they are going to do any more touch ups on the striping.

COUNCIL PRESIDENT WOOFER – I would kind of like to see that done.

MAYOR MOLL – The lights need to be hooked up yet and that's an Ohio Edison change over that needs to take place. Hopefully, they'll have time this week. Unfortunately, we had a stop light burn out today so we had to replace it. We had a brand new one hanging there.

COUNCIL PRESIDENT WOOFER - That was great timing.

MAYOR MOLL – Anyway those should come around in the next week or so. The Downtown Waterline Replacement Project - Phase II is done except for a walk through. Also, the Pearl Park Restroom Project is still a work in progress. They are not done yet.

COUNCIL PRESIDENT WOOFER - I think they poured the pad today for underneath the overhang.

MAYOR MOLL – They have fixtures to put in. I haven't heard a finish date for it yet. That's all I can think of offhand. We have two new people in the Service Dept. as of today.

NO COMMITTEE REPORTS

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

COUNCIL PRESIDENT WOOFER – Happy 4th of July – City Offices will be closed Friday, July 3rd in observance of the 4th of July holiday. Please note – Republic Services will follow a regular collection schedule because the holiday falls on a Saturday. So, there will be NO DELAY in collection.

A motion to adjourn the meeting was made by Councilman Tackett and seconded by Councilman Edwards. **ROLL CALL** - Edwards, aye; Linville, aye; Petrosky, aye; Piros, absent; Rowley, aye; Tackett, aye; Woofter, aye. **MOTION PASSED**

Meeting adjourned at 7:19 p.m.

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