

**REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING – 7:00 P.M.**

The Council of the City of Cortland met in regular session on Tuesday, September 6, 2016 at 7:00 p.m. at the City Administration Building, 400 N High St, Cortland, Ohio with Council President Dennis Linville presiding. Members of Council present were James Edwards, Patti Keller, Don Moore, Deidre Petrosky, and Scott Rowley; absent was Kevin Piros. Also present at the meeting were Mayor Woofter, Law Director Wilson, Finance Director Moyer, Fire Chief Rea, Police Chief Andrews, and Clerk of Council Horn; absent was Service Director Wittman.

A motion to approve Council Minutes from the August 15, 2016 Regular Council Meeting was made by Councilwoman Petrosky and seconded by Councilman Moore. **ROLL CALL** - Edwards, aye; Keller, abstain; Linville, aye; Moore, aye; Petrosky, aye; Piros, absent; Rowley, aye. **MOTION PASSED**

A motion to approve Schedule of Bills to be paid totaling \$224,135.15 was made by Councilman Moore and seconded by Councilman Edwards. **ROLL CALL** - Edwards, aye; Keller, aye; Linville, aye; Moore, aye; Petrosky, aye; Piros, absent; Rowley, aye. **MOTION PASSED**

**NO OLD BUSINESS:**

**NEW BUSINESS:**

**ORDINANCE O-36-16** – An Ordinance repealing O-31-16 and withdrawing funding to YNG Air Partners for daily flights in and out of the Youngstown-Warren Regional Airport was read and moved by Councilman Rowley and seconded by Councilman Moore. A motion to suspend the rules was made by Councilwoman Petrosky and seconded by Councilman Rowley.

**MAYOR WOOFTER** – At our last meeting, on that Monday, we approved in 3<sup>rd</sup> reading to approve to give the money. The following Wednesday morning, the Port Authority met and voted among themselves to withdraw any future funding to the ADI service for Chicago flights. Upon hearing that, I called Patrick and we put together an ordinance to repeal this previous ordinance we just passed. So, that’s the history on that. We will not be funding the YNG Air Partners.

**ROLL CALL ON SUSPENSION OF RULES ON O-36-16** - Edwards, aye; Keller, aye; Linville, aye; Moore, aye; Petrosky, aye; Piros, absent; Rowley, aye. **ROLL CALL ON O-36-16** - Edwards, aye; Keller, aye; Linville, aye; Moore, aye; Petrosky, aye; Piros, absent; Rowley, aye. **ORDINANCE PASSED IN EMERGENCY**

**ORDINANCE O-37-16** – An Ordinance amending O-11-07 the purchasing procedures for the Municipality of Cortland, Ohio was read and moved for first reading by Councilman Rowley and seconded by Councilwoman Petrosky. **ROLL CALL O-37-16** - Edwards, aye; Keller, aye; Linville, aye; Moore, aye; Petrosky, aye; Piros, absent; Rowley, aye. **ORDINANCE PASSED FIRST READING**

**ORDINANCE O-38-16** – An Ordinance authorizing the Mayor to enter into an agreement with the Trumbull County Combined Health District was read and moved for first reading by Councilman Rowley and seconded by Councilwoman Keller.

**COUNCILMAN MOORE** - Being the new member here, can you give me some background on this?

**MAYOR WOOFER** – Sure. We have a contract with the Health District. Part of that contract is should we decide we have a piece of property in the City of Cortland that needs to be condemned, we would call the Health District. They would come out and look at it and should they decide it needs to be condemned they would go through that process. We’ve been working on an old contract since back in the early 80’s. It’s been revisited a few times but it’s never been rewritten. So, in this new contract, there are two big differences. There are no additional costs to us, and I’d like to preface that with the fact that we do pay for this service but it’s paid for before... we don’t pay money out of our coffers. Fran, you want to explain that part of it real quick?

**FINANCE DIRECTOR MOYER** – The way this is set up is this is based on millage. It’s not put on by the City; it’s put on by the County. It is a County millage that’s collected in order to fund the Health District. That millage is what collects the money and that money is then credited as you would maybe to the city and then showed as being paid out to the Health District.

**COUNCILMAN MOORE** - Is it a requirement that each city has a health district, and this a combined district which is basically a savings than doing it individually?

**MAYOR WOOFER** – To my knowledge, there are really only two cities, I believe, they are doing this with and that is Hubbard and us. Let me clarify what the two best changes are to this. The contract is essentially the same except a word here or there. Previous to this new contract, if a property was condemned, we would have to turn it over to Patrick and he would have to do all the leg work of following through the condemned property and going through the court channels and so forth. With the new contract, they do it for us. They take care of everything at no additional charge; so that’s a big relief to the City when we have those rare instances that we have to condemn a property. The other thing that makes this a little different is they are doing it for water accounts too. So if we have to turn off someone’s water with them living in it because they haven’t paid, and I’m not sure we would actually do that, but if we did, then we could call the Health District. They would come out and condemn the property and force the people to pay their bills. Then it becomes a fire hazard and a health hazard as well. So, if there is no water at the property with people living in it, then it becomes a real situation. And they will take care of handling all of that part of it too. So, those are the two big differences.

**COUNCILMAN MOORE** -Thank you.

**ROLL CALL O-38-16** - Edwards, aye; Keller, aye; Linville, aye; Moore, aye; Petrosky, aye; Piros, absent; Rowley, aye. **ORDINANCE PASSED FIRST READING**

**ORDINANCE O-39-16** – An Ordinance amending O-08-13 to update the Civil Service Laws in the City of Cortland, County of Trumbull, and State of Ohio was read and moved for first reading by Councilman Moore and seconded by Councilman Rowley.

**LAW DIRECTOR WILSON** - This comes to you as a recommendation from the Civil Service Commission which met recently several times, mostly recently with myself, Chief Rea and Chief Andrews. We went through all the changes and updated the civil service laws to their liking which I think are good recommendations from the Commission.

**ROLL CALL O-39-16** - Edwards, aye; Keller, aye; Linville, aye; Moore, aye; Petrosky, aye; Piros, absent; Rowley, aye. **ORDINANCE PASSED FIRST READING**

**FINANCE DIRECTOR'S REPORT:**

**FINANCE DIRECTOR MOYER** – I have nothing to report this evening unless there are any questions.

**POLICE CHIEF'S REPORT:**

**POLICE CHIEF ANDREWS** – First of all, I apologize for my casual attire. I just found myself sitting in a gym watching my great niece play volleyball and I lost about a half an hour. So I just arrived from the middle school.

Other than that, I have nothing really of major importance. I know we have a lot more other things going on tonight. The only thing I'd like to say and I just heard about it at the end of the day but there is a lady that's working with the Lakeview Band. I believe she would like to get the Halloween Trick or Treat Parade back. I believe the Lions Club did it prior to. I will call her back tomorrow and get this going, but we are going to try to work out some logistics. I will talk to the Mayor a little bit more about this tomorrow. If anyone has any ideas yea or nay, let me know. We will probably try to do it up around the schools maybe. They want to incorporate the bands so I'm thinking a route maybe in from the middle school to the high school or vice versa. It shouldn't inconvenience too much and I think it would be nice event for the city. More on that to come. We have at least a month to go before we have worry about that. Otherwise, I don't have anything pressing and I'll answer any questions you have for me.

**FIRE CHIEF'S REPORT:**

**FIRE CHIEF REA** – I'd like to thank the Mayor for attending the recent MARCS System meeting at Kent State. I hope you gained some good information from it. It's nice to have other people having an idea of what's to come and what's going on around the state as far as the MARCS System.

**MAYOR WOOFER** – It's expensive and don't hold your breath.

*(LAUGHTER)*

**FIRE CHIEF REA** – Yes it is expensive but it will be here some time; I just can't give you a date when. Other than that, I don't have anything else to report. I'd be happy to answer any questions.

**SERVICE DIRECTOR'S REPORT:**

***(SERVICE DIRECTOR WITTMAN ABSENT)***

**MAYOR'S REPORT:**

**MAYOR WOOFER** – Don is at a family scouting event tonight so he couldn't be here. I have a few announcements to make:

Due to the Labor Day Holiday this week, trash/recycling collection will operate on a one day delay this week.

Willow Park Skateboarding Competition – Saturday, Sept 10<sup>th</sup>. If you want to know a little bit more about it go to our city website and click on the calendar. Go to Sept 10<sup>th</sup> and you'll see it listed there. You can click on that and there is a flyer on it that gives a little more detail as to who to call and so forth.

Mosquito Spraying – Last application will be Thursday, Sept 15<sup>th</sup> - weather permitting.

Fall Clean Up – Sept 29 and 30<sup>th</sup> – Items will be collected with your regular garbage pick-up that week

Splash Pad was to close today, the day after Labor Day, but because of the weather we decide to keep it open one more week. The last day will be Sunday, Sept. 11<sup>th</sup> We will put a sign up at the Splash Pad saying it's closed for the season.

The North Section Brush Pick Up will be the week of Sept 12<sup>th</sup>. ... and that's the week of. A lot of people get worried because it's not picked up right away on Monday. We actually have the whole week to do it. It just depends on what kind of problems and issues that we might have more pressing than picking up sticks and grinding them up.

**COUNCIL PRESIDENT LINVILLE** - But they should still have them out on Monday.

**MAYOR WOOFER** – Actually, we ask that they put them out Sunday evening so they are there Monday morning.

**NO COMMITTEE REPORTS**

**MAYOR SWEARS IN FIREFIGHTER CORY VANKANEGAN**

**COUNCIL PRESIDENT LINVILLE** - Welcome to the City, Cory. I'm sure you will find the Fire Dept very well trained and very professional. It's a great group. Moving along, thank you everyone in their participation in that ceremony.

A motion to set Halloween Trick or Treat for Monday, October 31<sup>st</sup> from 6:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. was made by Councilman Moore and seconded by Councilman Edwards. **ROLL CALL** - Edwards, aye; Keller, aye; Linville, aye; Moore, aye; Petrosky, aye; Piro, absent; Rowley, aye. **MOTION PASSED**

**NO QUESTIONS OF COUNCIL FROM THE AUDIENCE**

**NO ANNOUNCEMENTS:**

A motion to adjourn the meeting was made by Councilman Moore and seconded by Councilwoman Keller. **ROLL CALL** - Edwards, aye; Keller, aye; Linville, aye; Moore, aye; Petrosky, aye; Piro, absent; Rowley, aye. **MOTION PASSED**

Meeting adjourned at 7:18 p.m.

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