

REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING – 7:00 P.M.

The Council of the City of Cortland met in regular session on Monday, March 19, 2018 at 7:00 p.m. at the City Administration Building, 400 N High St, Cortland, Ohio with Council President Petrosky presiding. Members of Council present were James Edwards, Kathy Fleischer, Patti Keller, Don Moore Kevin Piros and Scott Rowley. Also present at the meeting were Mayor Woofter, Law Director Wilson, Finance Director Gibson, Police Chief Andrews, Fire Chief Rea, Service Director Wittman and Clerk of Council Horn.

A motion to approve Council Minutes from the March 5, 2018 Regular Council Meeting was made by Councilwoman Keller and seconded by Councilwoman Fleischer. **ROLL CALL** - Edwards, aye; Fleischer, aye; Keller, aye; Moore, aye; Petrosky, aye; Piros, aye; Rowley, aye. **MOTION PASSED**

A motion to approve Schedule of Bills to be paid totaling \$34,618.84 was made by Councilman Moore and seconded by Councilman Piros. **ROLL CALL** - Edwards, aye; Fleischer, aye; Keller, aye; Moore, aye; Petrosky, aye; Piros, aye; Rowley, aye. **MOTION PASSED**

OLD BUSINESS:

ORDINANCE O-04-18 – An Ordinance authorizing the Mayor to sign an intergovernmental agreement for the City of Cortland to participate in and partially fund the Trumbull County Transit Service was read and moved for third and final reading by Councilman Piros and seconded by Councilwoman Keller. **ROLL CALL O-04-18** - Edwards, aye; Fleischer, aye; Keller, aye; Moore, aye; Petrosky, aye; Piros, aye; Rowley, aye. **ORDINANCE PASSED THIRD AND FINAL READING**

ORDINANCE O-05-18 – An Ordinance amending in part O-35-96, Section 1113.02 of the City of Cortland Codified Ordinance to define Medical Marijuana Dispensary, Cultivator, Cultivator Level I, Cultivator Level II and Processor as defined by the Ohio Revised Code was read and moved for second reading by Councilman Moore and seconded by Councilman Edwards. **ROLL CALL O-05-18** - Edwards, aye; Fleischer, aye; Keller, aye; Moore, aye; Petrosky, aye; Piros, aye; Rowley, aye. **ORDINANCE PASSED SECOND READING**

ORDINANCE O-06-18 – An Ordinance amending in part O-35-96, and in particular, Section 1117.10 of the City of Cortland Codified Ordinance to identify Medical Marijuana Cultivators Level I and/or Level II and Processors as Uses Permitted Upon Review in the City’s Industrial District was read and moved for second reading by Councilwoman Keller and seconded by Councilman Rowley. **ROLL CALL O-06-18** - Edwards, aye; Fleischer, aye; Keller, aye; Moore, aye; Petrosky, aye; Piros, aye; Rowley, aye. **ORDINANCE PASSED SECOND READING**

ORDINANCE O-07-18 – An Ordinance amending in part O-35-96, and in particular, Attachment D of Part Eleven, Planning & Zoning Code of the City of Cortland Codified Ordinances to identify Medical

Marijuana Dispensaries, Cultivators Level II and Processors as Uses Permitted Upon Review in certain Commercial Districts was read and moved for second reading by Councilman Rowley and seconded by Councilman Edwards. **ROLL CALL O-07-18** - Edwards, aye; Fleischer, aye; Keller, aye; Moore, aye; Petrosky, aye; Piro, aye; Rowley, aye. **ORDINANCE PASSED SECOND READING**

ORDINANCE O-08-18 – An Ordinance authorizing the Service Director to purchase a John Deere mower from John Deere Company was read and moved for second reading by Councilman Piro and seconded by Councilman Moore. **ROLL CALL O-08-18** - Edwards, aye; Fleischer, aye; Keller, aye; Moore, aye; Petrosky, aye; Piro, aye; Rowley, aye. **ORDINANCE PASSED SECOND READING**

NEW BUSINESS:

RESOLUTION R-12-18 – A Resolution by the Council of the City of Cortland indicating the services the City of Cortland will provide to the owner of real estate containing .8970 acres of territory proposed for annexation from Bazetta Township to the City of Cortland, Ohio was made by Councilman Rowley and seconded by Councilwoman Fleischer.

MAYOR WOOFER - This is the property on Rt 46 across from Middlefield Bank that belonged to the Ashdown family. The reason they are annexing in is because they were on a well that was drying out. So, we made an agreement with them if they would annex in, they would get water. That's what this is about. We've actually provided the water to them, even though they are not completely annexed in, because they got into an emergency situation and because they were moving forward. I reviewed this with Patrick and he felt we could go ahead and do this. So, at this point it will go back to the County Commissioners on April 25th for a Public Hearing. It will be voted on for them to come into the city under a regular annexation. We will not only provide water and sewer to them, but... I don't know if there is sewer there. Are they on our sewer?

LAW DIRECTOR WILSON – That was done before the water issue arose.

MAYOR WOOFER - Right. We will also provide other services to them such as fire and police. Once it's approved at the April 25th public hearing, then it will come back to us to approve the final annexation. We are probably a couple months out on that yet before that will come back to us.

LAW DIRECTOR WILSON – Bottom line, the city did their part first, the property owner is doing her part now by applying for a traditional annexation to live up to her end of the agreement. We don't expect any objections at the April 25th Hearing. It should pass through there and come back to us to certify.

MAYOR WOOFER - This would have been done sooner but there was some snafus with property owner's attorney not filing papers properly. So, he had to go back and forth at least twice, that I know of, with the commissioners. Finally, the correct stuff was given to the commissioners.

COUNCILMAN MOORE - The original agreement was by Dec 31, 2017. There are no legal problems?

LAW DIRECTOR WILSON – To apply for annexation by the 31st. She did that. Part of the problem initially was the property description. It didn't line up exactly with what the county wanted. That does happen; so you go back to your surveyor and ask him to come back with another description which they did. So, she did apply before the end of her 18 month window. It just so happened she had to withdraw it and refile. She has done that so we are okay as far as the agreement is concerned.

ROLL CALL - Edwards, aye; Fleischer, aye; Keller, aye; Moore, aye; Petrosky, aye; Piros, aye; Rowley, aye. **MOTION PASSED**

ORDINANCE O-09-18 – An Annual Appropriation Ordinance for the City of Cortland, County of Trumbull, State of Ohio, for fiscal year ending on the 31st day of December 2018 was read and moved by Councilman Piros and seconded by Councilman Rowley. A motion to suspend the rules was made by Councilman Rowley and seconded by Councilman Moore.

FINANCE DIRECTOR GIBSON - I would like to thank council for approving this in emergency. I would have like to have gotten it at the beginning of the month, but due to our circumstance we were a little behind. So, thank you guys.

ROLL CALL ON SUSPENSION OF RULES - Edwards, aye; Fleischer, aye; Keller, aye; Moore, aye; Petrosky, aye; Piros, aye; Rowley, aye. **ROLL CALL ON O-09-18** - Edwards, aye; Fleischer, aye; Keller, aye; Moore, aye; Petrosky, aye; Piros, aye; Rowley, aye. **ORDINANCE PASSED IN EMERGENCY**

REPORTS:

FINANCE DIRECTOR'S REPORT:

FINANCE DIRECTOR GIBSON – Once again, thanks for approving it in emergency. My monthly report is turned in. You have my annual financial report tonight hot off the press. I have nothing else unless you have any questions.

POLICE CHIEF'S REPORT:

POLICE CHIEF ANDREWS – I also have nothing to bring to council tonight. You should have the monthly packet from February in your council packets. I'll answer any questions you have of me.

FIRE CHIEF'S REPORT:

FIRE CHIEF REA – I have nothing to report this month. You have my monthly report and should also have my annual report. I'd be happy to answer any questions.

COUNCIL PRESIDENT PETROSKY - Let me just say, this is the first time the Dept Heads have had to come to speak at the podium. That's why it's a little awkward and strange for us but they are doing very well.

SERVICE DIRECTOR'S REPORT:

SERVICE DIRECTOR WITTMAN – You received my monthly report with the packets. Don't have anything else to add but will entertain any questions that council may have.

MAYOR'S REPORT

MAYOR WOOFER – First off, as you see my reluctant Dept Heads were asked to stand up at the podium from now on when they give their reports. The reason for that is because these microphones that hang over top where they used to sit, really don't record their voices very well. Being that we record our meetings and post them on YouTube, which I don't know if anyone knows that or not, you can watch these meetings on You Tube the next day. So, sometime tomorrow morning, this meeting in its entirety will be there for you to review. So, if you miss something in your notes, students, watch You Tube.

COUNCILMAN MOORE – There's a link on the City of Cortland website.

LAW DIRECTOR WILSON – It doesn't replace being here in person. Don't try that at home.

(LAUGHTER)

MAYOR WOOFER – Cityofcortland.org. Go there and you'll see the link for the YouTube. It will take you right there and you can watch it. I welcome the students. This is the only time our council chambers, unless there is something hot going on in the city, will fill up the room with students and/or anyone wanting to know what's going on in the city. We welcome you, thank you. I welcome the scouts. Thank you for leading the pledge of allegiance. In particular, my grandson Nathan Woofter is here tonight.

City offices are closed Friday, March 30th in observance of Easter.

Curbside Brush Pickup. It will resume the week of April 23rd – the 4th Monday of each month. We used to stagger it. We started doing this last year and it actually worked better. So the entire city is done hopefully during that week. Sometimes, depending on the schedule of our Service Dept, we might be able to get the entire city done in one day. You want to make sure and have your brush out by the curbside on Sunday evenings. If you go to our website, there is a bulletin there that will explain the length, height and size of the brush pile.

Scrap Tire Program – Drop off at Willow Park April 9th to May 4th, Monday through Friday from 8:00 am to 3:00 pm at the city service garage. A limit of 8 passenger tires per vehicle. No truck or tractor tires accepted. You can drop them off at Willow Park garage, inside the gated area. You'll see where to go. There will be signs up there at that time as well.

Spring Clean Up is April 26th and 27th. Items will be picked up with your regular trash.

Don and I both attended the Eastgate Council of Governments Annual Meeting today. It was very well attended. It was the largest group they've had. It was held at the Stambaugh Auditorium. We listened to Congressman Tim Ryan and State Senator of the 33rd District, Mr Schiavoni. They had some very interesting topics they spoke on. That's all I have unless there are any questions.

NO COMMITTEE REPORTS

CORTLAND LIONS CLUB

BASIL JARRETT, CHAIR – I'm here to get the okay for the street fair. The dates this year are June 21st through June 23rd. The theme is "Sports on Parade." The last few years the Service Director has run the street sweeper. That really helps us. If that could be done on Sunday morning for us? That helps us with the clean up because none of the guys in the club are getting any younger. It's hard to get younger members.

MAYOR WOOFER – That's what the scouts are for. Don't the scouts help with the clean up?

BASIL JARRETT – That's all I have. We do have the scouts clean it up on Sundays.

NO QUESTIONS OF COUNCIL FROM AUDIENCE

NO ANNOUNCEMENTS:

A motion for an Executive Session to include Mayor Woofter, Finance Director Gibson and Council to discuss personnel was made by Councilman Piros and seconded by Councilman Moore. **ROLL CALL** - Edwards, aye; Fleischer, aye; Keller, aye; Moore, aye; Petrosky, aye; Piros, aye; Rowley, aye.

MOTION PASSED

Council went into Executive Session at 7:19 p.m.

Council Meeting reconvened at 7:26 p.m.

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

Meeting adjourned at 7:26 p.m.