

HILLSBORO CITY SPECIAL COUNCIL MEETING

August 17, 2021

At 7:00 p.m. Council President Tom Eichinger called the Hillsboro City Special Council meeting to order. The following were present for the meeting: Clerk Kimberly Newman, Mayor Justin Harsha, Safety and Service Director Brianne Abbott, Public Works Superintendent Shawn Adkins, Law Director Fred Beery, and Auditor Alex Butler.

ROLL CALL

Ann Morris, Greg Maurer, Claudia Klein, Patty Day, Mark Middleton and Adam Wilkin were present. Mary Stanforth was absent and was excused.

MOTION: Adam Wilkin moved to excuse Councilmember Mary Stanforth, seconded by Claudia Klein. Vote all yeas, Ms. Stanforth excused.

MINUTES

There were no minutes submitted.

FIRST READING OF ORDINANCES & RESOLUTIONS:

Resolution 21-47 A Resolution authorizing Mayor Justin Harsha to prepare and submit an application to participate in the Ohio Water and Wastewater Infrastructure Grant Program and to execute contracts as required.

MOTION: Greg Maurer moved to suspend the three-reading rule, seconded by Mark Middleton. Vote all yeas. Resolution 21-47 three-reading rule suspended.

MOTION: Patty Day moved to approve and adopt Resolution 21-47, seconded by Claudia Klein. Vote all yeas. Resolution 21-47 approved and adopted.

DISCUSSION: SSD Brianne Abbott advised council that Resolution 21-47 was associated with House Bill 168, signed into law June of 2021, and that the city was made aware just a week previous that the city's Phase III storm sewer improvements would be eligible for the Ohio Water and Wastewater Infrastructure Grant Program. This was discussed with Chris Fauber-Highland County Engineer and Gary Silcott an engineer with DLZ. Project must be shovel ready, legislation passed, and project submission ranked and turned in by August 27, 2021. President Tom Eichinger asked if administration knew what money would be available to the city. Shawn Adkins stated that the state has \$250 million for the entire state, a maximum of \$5 million per project. Mr. Adkins stated the storm sewer project was originally 5.2 million, and with the thirty percent increase from rising material cost the project will now be over 6 million dollars. Claudia Klein inquired where the funding would come from, Mr. Adkins advised this funding would come from ODD, Ohio Department of development. Greg Maurer asked if the ranking determined how much the project would receive, Mr. Adkins answered, yes, the city may get all of it, might get 2 million dollars, but anything the city gets is going to be something the city does not have to borrow.

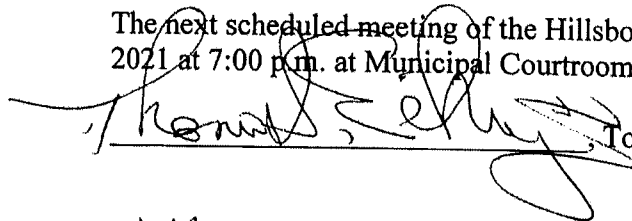
Resolution 21-48 A Resolution to increase appropriations within the general fund of the city.

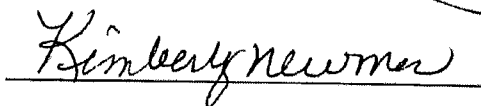
MOTION: Claudia Klein moved to approve and adopt Resolution 21-48, seconded by Greg Maurer. Vote all yeas. Resolution 21-48 approved and adopted.

DISCUSSION: SSD Brianne Abbott advised council that the timeline was close in regard to the former Dallas Music property on Beech Street. This property has been ongoing with code enforcement since 2015 and ad demolition of the building is needed. Highland County Municipal Court appointed the city as receiver to abate the public nuisance. The current property owner has 30 days to remove all of their property and then the city has a 30 -day window to get the demolition completed. Claudia Klein asked where the funds would come from, Ms. Abbott answered from the unallocated carryover.

ADJOURN Council adjourned at 7:07 p.m.

The next scheduled meeting of the Hillsboro City Council is Monday, September 13, 2021 at 7:00 p.m. at Municipal Courtroom 130 Homestead Drive.

 Tom Eichinger, President

 , Kimberly Newman, Clerk