

HILLSBORO CITY COUNCIL MEETING

September 14, 2020

Paint Creek Firehouse– 204 N. East Street

6:30 pm a Joint Public hearing was held with Council and Planning Commission to hear public comment on proposed rezoning of parcel 25-10.000.249.01 on Harry Sauner from Industrial E. to Business C. and rezoning of several parcels of Fenner and N. West Street from Business C to Business and Residential D and also to hear public comment on the language amendments to 155 zoning code pertaining to fence and automotive washing facilities. Those in attendance were Charlie Guarino, Tom Eichinger, Brandon Leeth, Adam Wilkin, Dane Allard, Mary Stanforth, Patty Day, Ann Morris, Claudia Klein, Justin Harsha, Brianna Abbott, Alex Butler, Fred Beery, Kimberly Newman, Shawn Adkins, Caitlin Forshna, and Peggy Hite. Charlie Guarino; Planning Commission vice chair opened the meeting with description of the proposed changes to re-zoning and zoning code and opening the floor to public comment. Peggy Hite spoke and said she wanted the zoning to allow for multi family usage. Charlie Guarino explained the rezoning would include residential and business so multi family would be allowed in the proposed zoning change. No other comments were made and Council Chair Tom Eichinger closed the floor for further comments and the Joint Public Hearing was adjourned at 6:38 pm.

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

ROLL CALL

Dane Allard, Patty Day, Claudia Klein, Brandon Leeth, Ann Morris, Mary Stanforth, Adam Wilkin were present.

Mr. Eichinger led the Council in prayer and Mayor Justin Harsha led in the Pledge of Allegiance.

MINUTES

There were no corrections to the August 10, 2020 Regular Council minutes and they were approved as submitted.

MONTHLY REPORTS

The August 2020 monthly reports were read by title only: Income Tax Bureau, Police Department, Public Utilities (includes Street Department, Water and Sewer Maintenance), Treasurer's (includes Expense and Revenue), Water Meter Department, Water Office (includes Water/Sewer Sales), Water Treatment, Wastewater Treatment, Code Enforcement and Auditor. Auditor Alex Butler advised Council he would be speaking on the money from the CARES FUND, also known as COVID19 monies, the first round of money has been received and the legislation coming before Council this evening will be for the moving of second round of monies within the 119 Fund of the city. This will allow the auditor to distribute the \$157, 281.06 received to reimburse the general fund, street fund, storm sewer fund, water fund and sewer fund proportionally to the percentage that was paid out in paid administrative leave in all departments. Auditor Butler discussed information from a handout he provided to Council on COVID19 Wage

costs and COVID19 OPERS costs, which broke down the cost for wages and OPERS for each department. More funding is coming in the future that the city may qualify for under Senate Bill 357. With the passage of presented legislation this evening, it would allow for utilizing the CARES FUND money and reimbursing different funds/departments and moving the monies into those line items. Mary Stanforth asked “ So ,we’re going to transfer these funds. Does this leave a zero balance in the CARES fund? If more money comes in, do we have to go through this process again, or do you keep the account?” Fred Beery; Law Director replied that any additional funds will go right into the account and then the Auditor can bring to council another piece of legislation explaining to Council how the money will be spent.

PUBLIC REQUESTS: Request to vacate an unopened alley at 415 Trenton Street

COMMUNICATIONS: Ohio Division of Liquor Control, transfer from Bliss Stark LLC. Canton, Ohio to R & B Beer & Tobacco Junction LLC. 691 Harry Sauner Road.

CITIZENS’ COMMENTS: None

COMMUNICATIONS FROM THE MAYOR (Justin Harsha, Mayor)

See Addendum 1 of 9-14-2020 Council Minutes.

SAFETY AND SERVICE DIRECTOR’S REPORT (Brienne Abbott)

See Addendum 2 of 9-14-2020 Council Minutes.

PLANNING COMMISSION See Addendum 3, Planning Commission Minutes of 9-10-2020 Council Minutes.

STANDING COMMITTEE REPORTS

FINANCE COMMITTEE (Mary Stanforth, Chair)

- Wage & Pay Scale review/recommendations for city employees, joint with Civil Service and Employee Relations Committee. No meeting. No questions were asked.

PROPERTY MAINTENANCE AND RESTORATION (Ann Morris, Chair)

No meeting. No questions were asked.

CIVIL SERVICE AND EMPLOYEE RELATIONS COMMITTEE (Dane Allard, Chair)

- Update Civil Service Manual
- Personnel manual Updates
- Wage & Pay Scale review/recommendations for city employees, joint with Finance.
- No meeting. No questions were asked.

STREET AND SAFETY COMMITTEE (Adam Wilkin, Chair)

- Review of Ordinances for Food Trucks and Mobile Vendors. Meeting was held August 10, 2020 at 6:30 pm. See Addendum 4 of 9-14-2020 Council Minutes.

UTILITIES COMMITTEE (Brandon Leeth, Chair)

No meeting. No questions asked.

ZONING AND ANNEXATION COMMITTEE (Patty Day, Chair)

A meeting was held on August 18, 2020 at 6:30 pm. See Addendum 5 of 9-14-2020 Council Minutes. Patty announced that there is a recommendation that Street and Safety Committee review for adoption that only right-hand turns are permitted when exiting an alley. In addition, the Committee is recommending that the Planning Commission revisit the use of alleys as a drive thru in the Historic District (Zone G). The current Zoning Regulations state for Zone G that a drive thru can only be permitted as a Conditional Use and that the timeframe for a Conditional Use Permit cannot exceed 2 years.

COMMUNITY ENHANCEMENT (Claudia Klein, Chair)

No meeting. There were no questions asked.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

PASSAGE OF ORDINANCES & RESOLUTIONS (THIRD READING):

Resolution 19-39 A Resolution to adopt the 2019 updated policy and procedure manual. Mary Stanforth moved to approve and adopt, seconded by Adam Wilkin. Vote all yeas. Resolution 19-39 Approved and adopted.

SECOND READING OF ORDINANCES & RESOLUTIONS: None

FIRST READING OF ORDINANCES & RESOLUTIONS:

Ordinance 2020-13 Second reading at 10-13-2020 Council meeting.

Ordinance 2020-15 An Ordinance to vacate an unopened alley at 415 Trenton Street. (Erroneously named 2020-14 on 9-14-2020 agenda) Claudia Klein moved to suspend the three-reading rule, seconded by Patty Day. Vote all yeas. Brandon Leeth moved to approve and adopt Ordinance 2020-15, seconded by Claudia Klein. Vote all yeas. Ordinance 2020-15 Approved and adopted.

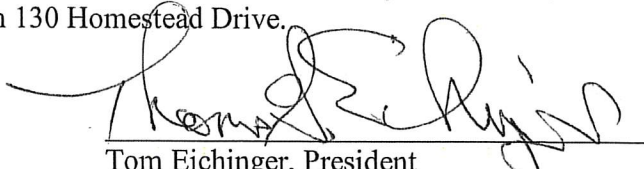
Resolution 20-38 A Resolution to supplement appropriations and transfer funds within the COVID19 Special Relief 119 of the City. Brandon Leeth moved to approve and adopt Resolution 20-38, seconded by Patty Day. Vote all yeas. Resolution 20-39 Approved and adopted.

NEW BUSINESS: Patty Day advised Council that Jane Stowers of the Hillsboro Waw-wil-a-way DAR had reached out to her for a project they were doing to help the homeless population. The chapter filled 18 gallon sized bags with items and donated 9 bags to the Homeless Shelter and 9 bags to Community Action. Ms. Day also told Council the DAR was meeting with Mayor Harsha on Tuesday September 15th to sign a Proclamation for Constitution Week September 17-23, 2020 and that on the 17th at 4:00 National Ring Across America would be observed by ringing a bell.

Additionally, Ann Morris addressed Council President Tom Eichinger, extending sympathies to him and his family in the death of his mother Betty Eichinger, others of council did as well.

ADJOURN Motion: Claudia Klein moved, seconded by Adam Wilkin. Council adjourned at 7:34 p.m.

The next scheduled meeting of the Hillsboro City Council is Monday, October 13, 2020
at 7:00 p.m. at Municipal Courtroom 130 Homestead Drive.



Tom Eichinger, President



Kimberly Newman, Clerk