

**MINUTES OF THE
VAN WERT CITY COUNCIL
February 25, 2019**

The meeting was called to order at 6:30 p.m. by President Tomlinson.

The invocation was given by Pastor Keith Stoller.

On call of the roll: Mergy, Markward, Trittschuh, Marshall, Penton, Agler and Straley, present.

Mergy made a motion to approve the agenda for the 2/25/19 meeting. Seconded by Straley. All concurred.

Trittschuh motioned to approve the 2/11/19 minutes. Seconded by Agler. All concurred.

COMMENTS, COMMUNICATIONS & PETITIONS

Carol Motycka joined Mayor Mazur as he read a proclamation proclaiming March 1st as 'Dress In Blue Day' throughout the city in recognition of Colon Cancer Awareness Month in March.

Tomlinson noted that there has been a request for a public hearing regarding the Agriculture District applications. Balyeat gave a brief overview of the application protocol.

ADMINISTRATIVE REPORT

MAYOR: Mazur reminded council that he would not be attending the March 11th council meeting.

SAFETY SERVICE DIRECTOR: Fleming noted that there would be another brush pick up on Monday, March 4th. He then went on to explain that an ordinance will be introduced to ask for money from the State Capital Improvement Grant to fund the upcoming renovations to our city parks.

AUDITOR: Balyeat reported that there were some changes to the Permanent Budget due to the change in the insurance plan employees were receiving. There was also a change to the budget because of an unemployment claim.

LAW DIRECTOR: There was no report.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

HEALTH, SERVICE AND SAFETY: Marshall reported that there were only a few infractions the last few weeks and some of the problem properties from the recent past are being closely monitored.

PARKS AND RECREATION: Penton reported that he would be meeting with the Park Director to prepare for the upcoming season. He then asked that an ordinance be prepared on an emergency basis, to authorize the Safety and Service Director sign the Capital Improvement Grant. Seconded by Agler. All concurred. Penton then asked to introduce **Ordinance Number: 19-02-019: AN ORDINANCE TO AUTHORIZE THE SAFETY-SERVICE DIRECTOR TO SIGN THE CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT GRANT AGREEMENTS FOR BOTH SMILEY PARK AND DECLARING IT AN EMERGENCY.** Seconded by Agler, with all concurring. Penton asked to suspend statutory rules for **Ordinance Number:19-02-019.** Seconded by Agler. All concurred. Lastly, Penton asked that **Ordinance Number:19:02:019** be passed on its first and final reading on an emergency basis. Seconded by Agler. All concurred.

PROPERTIES AND EQUIPMENT: There was no report given.

JUDICIARY AND ANNEXATION: Mergy continued the discussion regarding ordinances pertaining to animal care and barking dogs from an earlier committee meeting. She said that there will be a minimum and maximum temperatures will be added to existing ordinances after she gets information from a local veterinarian.

FINANCE: Markward made a motion to introduce **Ordinance Number: 19-02-018: AN ORDINANCE TO MAKE PERMANENT APPROPRIATIONS FOR THE CURRENT EXPENSES AND OTHER EXPENDITURES FOR THE CITY OF VAN WERT, OHIO, FROM JANUARY 1, 2019 TO DECEMBER 31, 2019, AND DECLARING IT AN EMERGENCY.** Seconded by Mergy, with all concurring.

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT: No report was given.

STREETS AND ALLEYS: No report was given. Trittschuh reminded council members that he will not be attending the March 11th meeting.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

NEW BUSINESS

Mayor Mazur advised that the website will be reformatted soon and if anyone had any input on it, to let his secretary Arica know. He also said that soon the Building Permit Process Flow Chart will be posted on the website along with forms that are downloadable, making it easier for citizens to fill them out.

CONSENT AGENDA

Agler made a motion to introduce the Consent Agenda. Seconded by Mergy. All concurred.

Straley moved that the statutory rules be suspended for the Consent Agenda. All concurred.

Agler made a motion to pass the Consent Agenda on its first and final reading. Straley seconded the motion, with all concurring.

ORDINANCE Number: 19-02-016 Committee: FINANCE

AN ORDINANCE TO TRANSFER FUNDS FROM FUND 101 TO FUND 215 AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

ORDINANCE Number: 19-02-017 Committee: FINANCE AN ORDINANCE TO TRANSFER FUNDS FROM FUND 101 TO FUND 302 AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

ORDINANCES AND RESOLUTIONS

Ordinance Number: 19-02-018

Committee: Finance

AN ORDINANCE TO MAKE PERMANENT APPROPRIATIONS FOR THE CURRENT EXPENSES AND OTHER EXPENDITURES FOR THE CITY OF VAN WERT, OHIO, FROM JANUARY 1, 2019 TO DECEMBER 31, 2019, AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY. First Reading. All concurred.

Ordinance Number: 19-02-003

Committee: Health, Service and Safety

Marshall motioned to approve **Ordinance Number: 19-01-003**: AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND SECTION 96.25 OF THE VAN WERT CITY CODE OF ORDINANCES on its third and final reading. All concurred.

Agler made a motion to adjourn at 7:35 p.m.; seconded by Straley; with all concurring.

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PRESIDENT

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