

Amherst City Council met in a regular session under full compliance of State Law with President Pro tem Wasilk opening the meeting at 7:00 P.M. Roll call vote: Mr. Goodell, Mr. Van Treuren, Mrs. Wasilk, Mr. Winiarski, Mr. Dembinski, Mr. Miller, Mr. Janik. Also present were Mayor Costilow, Auditor Kukucka, Treasurer Ramsey, Law Director Pecora and Safety Service Director Jeffreys. President Dietrich was absent having a letter on file. The prayer was invoked by Chaplain Wasilk, followed by the Pledge to the Flag led by Sergeant at Arms Dembinski. The Clerk read the consent agenda. Mr. Goodell moved to accept the consent agenda as read. Second by Mr. Miller. Roll call vote 7-0 in favor. The public was acknowledged pertaining to items on the agenda. No one spoke.

ORDINANCES AND RESOLUTIONS FIRST READING:

(a) An ordinance authorizing and directing the Safety/Service Director to purchase up to \$140,000.00 in fiber optic cable, associated hardware and installation services through the State Cooperative Purchasing Program or in the alternative by soliciting bids and authorizing and directing the Safety/Service Director to award the bid for such work to the lowest responsive and responsible bidder; and declaring an emergency. (A-17-14)

Mr. Goodell moved to suspend the Council reading that requires three readings. Second by Mr. Van Treuren. Mr. Winiarski spoke saying that he thought that this ordinance was not supposed to be suspended. Mayor Costilow agreed that there was no need to suspend rules. Mr. Goodell and Mr. Van Treuren both moved to withdraw their motions. Mr. Goodell moved to take this item to second reading. Second by Mr. Dembinski. Roll call vote 7-0 in favor.

(b) An ordinance authorizing the City of Amherst to enter into an agreement with various Lorain County political subdivisions to extend the agreement for technical rescue response for the Fire Department for the years 2017 through 2021; and declaring an emergency. (A-17-15)

Mr. Goodell moved to suspend the Council rule requiring three readings. Second by Mr. Van Treuren. Roll call vote 7-0 in favor. Mr. Miller moved to adopt. Second by Mr. Janik. Roll call vote 7-0 in favor. **Becomes O-17-13.**

(c) An ordinance repealing Amherst Codified Ordinance Chapter 711 Billiard and Pool Rooms and Bowling Alleys in its entirety. (A-17-16)

Mr. Goodell moved to take this item to second reading. Second by Mr. Miller. Roll call vote 7-0 in favor.

(d) An ordinance authorizing the Safety/Service Director to enter into a contract to purchase a Duraco Durapatcher through the Ohio State Cooperative Purchasing Program for the City of Amherst Street Department; and declaring an emergency. (A-17-17)

Mr. Goodell moved to suspend the Council rule requiring three readings. Second by Mr. Miller. Roll call vote 7-0 in favor. Mr. Winiarski moved to adopt. Second by Mr. Goodell. Roll call vote 7-0 in favor. **Becomes O-17-14.**

ORDINANCES AND RESOLUTIONS SECOND READING: NONE
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Miscellaneous and acknowledgement of the public: Mr. Miller asked everyone to stay safe with impending snow storm.

Agenda Requests and Committee Meeting Schedules: None.

Reports of the Administration:

Auditor Kukucka: He reported that the City of Amherst was chosen to have an State audit for the Police and Fire Pension. He said that it was reported that it was a clean audit. He also said that the February reports had been distributed.

Treasurer Ramsey: He said that he recently met with the Meeder representative. He also said that the City is projected to earn \$165,697.00 this year at a cost of \$11,635.00. He reported that he is also taking a course to get certified in commercial paper.

Law Director Pecora: No report.

Safety/Service Director Jeffreys: He asked everyone to stay safe in the snow.

Mayor Costilow: He reported that there should be a partial list of sidewalks needing repairs to Council within the month. He also said that he was working with the Utilities Department to improve the meter reading until the automated system is launched in the summer.

Mr. Janik moved to accept the Reports of the Administration. Second by Mr. Goodell. Voice vote 7-0 in favor. Mr. Miller moved to accept the Reports of the Auditor and Treasurer. Voice vote 7-0 in favor. Mr. Miller moved to adjourn. Second by Mr. Goodell. Voice vote 7-0 in favor. Meeting adjourned at 7:20 PM.

Linda Turley, Clerk of Council

Jennifer Wasilk, President Pro tem of Council