

SEPTEMBER 14 2020

THIS MEETING WAS HELD REMOTELY:

Amherst City Council met in a Regular Session under full compliance of State Law with President Wasilk opening the meeting at 7:00 P. M. Roll call: Mr. Nahorn, Mr. Heberling, Mr. Janik, Mr. Van Treuren, Mr. Dembinski, Mr. Cowger, Mr. Wachholz. Also present were Council President Wasilk, Assistant Law Director Ward, Mayor Costilow, Auditor Pittak, Law Director Pecora, Treasurer Ramsey, and Safety/Service Director Jeffreys.

The Prayer was invoked by Chaplain Nahorn, followed by the Pledge to the Flag led by Sergeant at Arms Dembinski.

Consent Agenda: The Clerk read the Consent Agenda. Mr. Van Treuren motioned to accept the Consent Agenda as read. Seconded by Mr. Dembinski. Roll call vote 7-0 to accept the Consent Agenda.

Acknowledgement of the Public pertaining to items on the Agenda: There was no one speaking.

ORDINANCES AND RESOLUTIONS FIRST READING:

- (a) An Ordinance authorizing and directing the Safety Service Director to accept Assistance to Firefighters Grant Funds in the Amount of \$70,842.86 from the Federal Emergency Management Agency, to solicit bids for the procurement of Vehicle Extrication Equipment for the City of Amherst Fire Department, and to award the contract for such equipment to the lowest responsive and responsible bidder; and declaring an emergency. (A-20-31)

Mr. Dembinski motioned to suspend all Council rules so that this may be passed in its first reading. Seconded by Mr. Heberling. Roll call vote 7-0 to suspend rules. Mr. Dembinski motioned to adopt. Seconded by Mr. Cowger. Roll call vote 7-0 to adopt. Becomes 0-20-22.

- (b) An Ordinance authorizing the Mayor to enter Into a contract for professional services with Bramhall Engineering and Surveying Company relating to the Main Street and Sunrise Drive Area Road Improvements Project; and declaring an emergency (A-20-32)

Mr. Cowger motioned to suspend all Council rules so that this may be passed in its first reading. Seconded by Mr. Nahorn. Roll call vote 7-0 to suspend rules. Mr. Janik motioned to adopt. Seconded by Mr. Cowger. Roll call vote 7-0 to adopt. Becomes 0-20-23.

- (c) An Ordinance re-appropriating funds in various departments of the City of Amherst, State of Ohio per the attached Appendix "A"; and Declaring an Emergency. (A-20-33)

Mr. Dembinski motioned to suspend all Council rules so that this may be passed in its first reading. Seconded by Mr. Cowger. Roll call vote 7-0 to suspend rules. Mr. Dembinski motioned to adopt. Seconded by Mr. Heberling. Roll call vote 7-0 to adopt. Becomes 0-20-24.

ORDINANCES AND RESOLUTIONS SECOND READING: NONE**ORDINANCES AND RESOLUTIONS THIRD READING: NONE**

- (a) An Ordinance approving the subdivider/allotter's agreement between the City of Amherst, Ohio, and Cambrad Development IV, LLC for the Eagle Ridge Subdivision. (A-20-28)

Mr. Cowger motioned to adopt. Seconded by Mr. Nahorn. Roll call vote 7-0 to adopt. Becomes 0-20-25.

- (b) An Ordinance approving the final development for the Eagle Ridge Subdivision and rezoning and approving the Eagle Ridge Subdivision as a Planned Development District. (A-20-30)

Mr. Heberling motioned to adopt. Seconded by Mr. Cowger. Roll call vote 7-0 to adopt. Becomes 0-20-26.

Miscellaneous and acknowledgement of the public: Mrs. Teresa Gilles, Executive Director of Main Street, spoke and said she wanted everyone to be aware that Main Street will be participating in the Community Foundation Lorain County Connect to a Cause. This is a fund raising event known as a “crowd funding.” She explained the mission of Main Street. She explained how residents can donate and the donations amounts that can be donated. The Community Foundation is celebrating their 40th anniversary and they are giving away \$40,000. She explained how the non-profit organization can win a portion of the money. This event will be happening this Thursday. She explain how these donations can be made. They want to extend congratulations to the Community Foundation. Donations can also be made to Amherst Main Street.

Agenda requests and committee meeting schedules:

- A-20-34 Utilities - Add *Chapter 909 Utilities in the Public Right of Way* to the Amherst Codified Ordinances vehicle extrication equipment for the Fire Department
- A-20-35 Utilities – Add *Chapter 925 Use of Public Ways for Small Cell Wireless Facilities and Wireless Support Structures* to the Amherst Codified Ordinances
- A-30-36 Utilities – Add *Chapter 927 Small Cell Design Guidelines* to the Amherst Codified Ordinances

Utilities Committee Meeting on Monday, September 21, 2020 at 7:00 p.m.

A-20-34, A-20-35, A-20-36

The remainder of Council Committee Meetings for September 21, 2020 are cancelled. The meeting will be held remotely via Zoom.

Reports of the Administration:

Auditor Pittak: Reported the August Auditor’s reports have been distributed. He said if anyone had any questions, to please call his office.

Treasurer Ramsey: Reported the August Treasurer’s reports have been distributed. He said if anyone has questions, please call his office.

Law Director Pecora: No report

Safety/Service Director Jeffreys: No report.

Mayor Costilow: Reported the Crownhill Cemetery culvert project is moving along very nicely. The big culvert parts came in a week ago and the weather has been very cooperative so they will be working on that this week. One of the six foot culverts is in as we speak. There still might be some road closure, but if someone needed to get across, it could be arranged. He is happy to announce that by the end of this week the City will have a new police officer – Cora Reid. She has recently graduated from the Police Academy and scored very highly on her test. He believes she may have scored 99% on her test. He is happy and honored that by the end of the week she will be sworn in to begin her training program. We have also had one of our officers promoted to field training officer so this will probably be his first experience with training. He is very happy with our Police Department and what they are doing. He is also very happy with the way our community supports our Police Department.

Mr. Cowger motioned to accept the Reports of the Administration. Seconded by Mr. Dembinski. Roll call vote 7-0 to accept the reports

Acknowledgement that Council received the Auditor and Treasurer reports for the month of August 2020.

Mr. Dembinski motioned to acknowledge the August Auditor and Treasurer Reports. Seconded by Mr. Cowger. Roll call vote 7-0 to acknowledge the reports.

Mr. Cowger motioned to adjourn. Seconded by Mr. Dembinski. Roll call vote 7-0 to adjourn. The meeting adjourned at 7:30 p.m.