

NOVEMBER 9

2020

THIS MEETING WAS HELD REMOTELY VIA ZOOM:

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. Dembinski, Mr. Cowger, Mr. Wachholz, Mr. Nahorn, Mr. Heberling, Mr. Janik, Mr. Van Treuren . Also present were Council President Wasilk, Assistant Law Director Ward, Mayor Costilow, Auditor Pittak, Law Director Pecora, Treasurer Ramsey, 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 the Mayor to enter into a contract for professional services with Bramhall Engineering & Surveying Company relating to the Cooper Foster Park Road Drainage Improvements Project (Phase 1) and authorizing and directing the Safety Service Director to solicit bids for such project and award the contract for the project to the lowest responsive and responsible bidder; and declaring an emergency (A-20-45)

Mayor Costilow hoped that Council would adopt these items this evening by suspension of rules so that work can begin on these projects as quickly as possible. Mr. Nahorn 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. Cowger motioned to adopt. Seconded by Mr. Wachholz. Roll call vote 7-0 to adopt. Becomes 0-20-31.

- (b) An Ordinance authorizing the Mayor and Safety Service Director to enter into a Cooperative Agreement with the City of Lorain for the Cooper Foster Park Road Storm Improvements Project; and declaring an emergency (A-20-46)

Mr. Heberling motioned to suspend all Council rules so that this may be passed in its first reading. Seconded by Mr. Dembinski. Roll call vote 7-0 to suspend rules. Mr. Van Treuren motioned to adopt. Seconded by Mr. Cowger. Roll call vote 7-0 to adopt. Becomes 0-20-32.

- (c) An Ordinance authorizing and directing the Safety Service Director to submit and application to the Ohio Public Works Commission for State Issue 1 (Round 35) funds for the year 2021 for roadway improvements and repairs on Milan Avenue for the year 2021 for roadway improvements and repairs on Milan Avenue and Cleveland Street; and declaring an emergency. (A-20-47)

Mr. Dembinski motioned to suspend all Council rules so that this may be passed in its first reading. Seconded by Mr. Wachholz. Roll call vote 7-0 to suspend rules. Mr. Heberling motioned to adopt. Seconded by Mr. Cowger. Roll call vote 7-0 to adopt. Becomes 0-20-33.

ORDINANCES AND RESOLUTIONS SECOND READING: NONE

ORDINANCES AND RESOLUTIONS THIRD READING: NONE

Miscellaneous and acknowledgement of the public: There was no one speaking.

Agenda requests and committee meeting schedules: The new requests were submitted after the council meeting:

A-20-48 Finance 2021 Interim Budget. Due to Lorain County Auditor by 12/31/20

A-20-49 Finance Establish salaries and benefits for the Amherst Fire Department effective 1/1/21 and repealing all ordinances in conflict herewith – with emergency.

Building and Lands – November 16, 2020 at 7:00 p.m. A-20-13 Revisions to Amherst Codified Ordinances Chapter 1145 *Additional Use, Height and Area Regulations and exceptions* (tabled on floor of council 2/24/20 (will request that this be killed and replaced by another request next year and hopefully, this will all be done in person)
Finance – November 16, 202 immediately following the Building and Lands Committee
A-20-48, A-20-49

The remaining committee meetings for November 16 have been cancelled.

Reports of the Administration:

Auditor Pittak: Reported the October reports have been completed and distributed. Announced that Carol Shawver has turned in her letter of resignation. She will be retiring by the end of March. Their office will be filling the position and there will be job postings posted. He will be reaching out to the Law Department to provide for an ordinance for this position.

Treasurer Ramsey: The October reports have been distributed.

Law Director Pecora: No report.

Safety/Service Director Jeffreys: No report

Mayor Costilow: He is working with the Auditor's office on the interim budget and will be sending a request to go to Finance. He congratulated Council on the passage of the levy for their four year terms.

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

Acknowledgement of the receipt of the October, 2020 reports from the Auditor and Treasurer

Mr. Dembinski motioned to acknowledge the receipt of the October reports from the Auditor and the Treasurer. Seconded by Mr. Cowger. Roll call vote 7-0 to acknowledge the reports.

Mr. Cowger motioned to adjourn. Seconded by Mr. Heberling. Roll call vote 7-0 to adjourn. The meeting adjourned at 7:20 p.m.

Olga Sivinski, Clerk of Council

Jennifer Wasilk, President of Council