

MARCH 22

2021

THIS MEETING WAS HELD IN HYBRID FORM: (Council members and guests in chambers and others 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. Nahorn, Mr. Janik, Mr. Van Treuren, Mr. Dembinski, Mr. Wachholz, Mr. Heberling, Mr. Cowger who were all present in person. Mayor Costilow was also present in person. Present via ZOOM were Assistant Law Director Ward, Law Director Pecora, Treasurer Ramsey. Auditor Pittak and Safety/Service Director Jeffreys were absent and had letters on file. Mr. Dembinski motioned to excuse Auditor Pittak and Safety/Service Director Jeffreys as they had letters on file. Seconded by Mr. Heberling. Voice vote 7-0 to excuse.

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. Janik motioned to approve the Consent Agenda as read. Seconded by Mr. Van Treuren. Voice vote 7-0 to approve the Consent Agenda as read.

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 and Surveying Company relating to the 2021 Street Rehabilitation Program; and declaring an emergency. (A-21-13)

Mr. Janik motioned to suspend all Council rules that that this may be passed in its first reading. Seconded by Mr. Van Treuren. 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 0-21-14.

- (b) An Ordinance authorizing and directing the Safety Service Director to enter into a contract with Gable Elevator, Inc. to make emergency repairs to the City Hall's elevator; and declaring an emergency. (A-21-14)

Mr. Heberling motioned to suspend all Council rules that that this may be passed in its first reading. Seconded by Mr. Janik. Roll call vote 7-0 to suspend rules. Mr. Nahorn motioned to adopt. Seconded by Mr. Heberling. Roll call vote 7-0 to adopt. Becomes 0-21-15.

- (c) An Ordinance authorizing and directing the Safety Service Director to solicit bids for the 2021 Street Rehabilitation Program and authorizing and directing the Safety Service Director to award the contract for such work to the lowest responsive and responsible bidder; and declaring an emergency. (A-21-15)

Mr. Van Treuren motioned to suspend all Council rules that that this may be passed in its first reading. Seconded by Mr. Heberling. Roll call vote 7-0 to suspend rules. Mr. Wachholz motioned to adopt. Seconded by Mr. Janik. Roll call vote 7-0 to adopt. Becomes 0-21-16.

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:

A-21-16 Finance - Resolution authorizing the Safety/Service Director to participate In the Ohio Department of Transportation winter contract for 2021-2022; emergency (For Salt)

Finance April 12, 2021 at 6:45 p.m. A-21-16

The remainder of Council Committee Meetings for April 5, 2021 are cancelled.

Reports of the Administration:

Auditor Pittak: absent

Treasurer Ramsey: Reminded residents that tax day is 4/15 - - they have a drop box outside the building for residents' convenience.

Law Director Pecora: No report

Safety/Service Director Jeffreys: absent

Mayor Costilow: Reported there was a COVID vaccine clinic held at the high school this past Saturday. He was a part of it and received his shot. He said it was well run and everything went smoothly. There were a lot of volunteers helping from all walks of life, nurses, people giving shots – including our own first responders and our police department were a part of it. Hats off to the school for allowing the use of the space. Hats off to the Health Department, they are doing a great job. Sidewalk repair notices went out via certified mail. Whether the mail is picked up or not, it is considered notification. The City does its job the best they can by mailing these out. A certain amount of time has to pass before we get on to the next part of the program. The job was bid, the bids came in at just over \$6 per square foot. He was pleasantly surprised by this bid. Smith Construction has done a lot of work in the city in the past. He is extremely happy for the city and the residents that this quote came in. The city is taking applications for life guards, they plan on opening the pool as regular. Last year it went off without a hitch. We will follow the same guidelines from the state and county. The county passed and approved the dollar amount for the repair of the Milan Avenue bridge. The culvert needs some extensive work. Well over \$600,000 will be spent on that project without any cost to the city. Mostly it won't be anything that will be viewed. It will be a lot of embankment stuff and things underneath. There is no construction firm picked out at this time, but the City will be part of the pre-bid meetings and construction meetings. This will segway us right into next year's paving program with NOACA.

Mr. Nahorn motioned to accept the reports of the administration. Seconded by Mr. Cowger. Voice vote 7-0 to accept the reports of the administration.

Mr. Cowger motioned to adjourn. Seconded by Mr. Wachholz. Voice vote 7-0 to adjourn. The meeting adjourned at 7:16 p.m.

Olga Sivinski, Clerk of Council

Jennifer Wasilk, President of Council

