

JUNE 14

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. Dembinski, Mr. Cowger, Mr. Wachholz - absent, Mr. Nahorn, Mr. Heberling, Mr. Janik, Mr. Van Treuren. Present via Zoom were Law Director Pecora, Auditor Pittak, Treasurer Ramsey and Safety/Service Director Jeffreys. Mayor Costilow was present in Council Chambers. Mr. Dembinski motioned to excuse Mr. Wachholz and Assistant to Law Director Ward as they had letters on file. Seconded by Mr. Heberling. Voice vote 6-0 to excuse Mr. Wachholz and Mr. Ward.

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. Cowger. Roll call vote 6-0 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 Safety Service Director and Mayor to make additional expenditures for the 2021 Street Rehabilitation Program; and declaring an emergency. (A-21-24)

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 6-0 to suspend rules. Mr. Nahorn motioned to adopt. Seconded by Mr. Dembinski. Roll call vote 6-0 to adopt. Becomes 0-21-23.

#### **ORDINANCES AND RESOLUTIONS SECOND READING:**

- (a) An Ordinance authorizing and directing the Mayor to enter into an agreement with the Freakin Greekin, LLC for the exchange of certain parcels of real estate; and declaring an emergency. (A-21-23)

Mr. Dembinski motioned to pass this on to its third reading. Seconded by Mr. Janik. Roll call vote 6-0 to pass to third.

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

Miscellaneous and acknowledgement of the public:

- (a) Request for liquor permits for Barra Restaurants, LLC, 105 Park Avenue for D1, D-2, D-3 D-3A licenses

There were no objections to this request.

There was no one else speaking.

Agenda requests and committee meeting schedules:

A-21-25 Finance Increase the funding for the Cooper Foster Park Road Storm Improvement - emergency

Finance - June 28, 2021 A-21-25 at 6:50 p.m. (prior to council meeting)

All other Council Committee Meetings for June 21, 2021 are cancelled.

## Reports of the Administration:

Auditor Pittak: The May monthly reports were sent to Council and Administration. If there are any questions – call their office. The CAFR report should be completed in the next couple of months.

Treasurer Ramsey: The May monthly reports were distributed.

Law Director Pecora: No report.

Safety/Service Director Jeffreys: No report.

Mayor Costilow: Thanked Council for adopting the additional funds for road repairs ordinance.

Pre-constructions meeting will be held Thursday along with some other pre-construction meetings, OPWC. There will also be a pre-construction meeting for the ditch on Cooper Foster that we partnered with Lorain. He advised that he will have a funding item for consideration for Monday's committee meetings and will have that information together by Thursday. The traffic signal light on Elyria Avenue has been noted to be a change in signal. It's been a significant amount of time since that's been a working light. It's been flashing and giving everyone an opportunity to see that it's no longer a working light. The light has been marked to be removed, and there is some signage to that effect. The Milan Avenue culvert and bridge repair is going well. It's right on schedule so look for about two more months of construction there. The other item he may provide for Committee Meeting next week would be TIF legislation. It's been a long road, and a lot of work, and with Council's help and with the school and the attorney that Council hired to help draft this legislation has allowed it to get really close to finishing negotiations with the school to make sure they are happy with the dollar amounts that is part of that TIF. The last version we have is in their hands so they will be looking at it and hopefully approve it by the end of this month. So we may start our legislation contingent on them passing theirs. If it's brought to Council next week, it can go three readings.

Mr. Heberling motioned to accept the reports of the administration. Seconded by Mr. Cowger. Voice vote 6-0 to accept the reports of the administration.

Acknowledgement of the receipt of the May monthly reports from the Auditor and Treasurer: Mr. Cowger motioned to acknowledge the receipt of the May monthly reports from the Auditor and Treasurer. Seconded by Mr. Dembinski. Voice vote 6-0 to acknowledge the receipt.

Mr. Cowger motioned to adjourn. Seconded by Mr. Dembinski. Voice vote 6-0 to adjourn. The meeting adjourned at 7:12 p.m.

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Olga Sivinski, Clerk of Council

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Jennifer Wasilk, President of Council