

# Circleville City Council Meeting

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Circleville City Council convened in Council Chambers, City Hall, 127 South Court Street, Circleville, Ohio on Tuesday December 17, 2019 at 7:00 pm. The following members were present: David Crawford; President of Council; Michelle Blanton, At Large; Tom Spring, At Large; Todd Brady, At Large; Julie Strawser, First Ward; Barry Keller, Second Ward; Katie Logan Hedges, Third Ward ; Sheri Theis, Fourth Ward and Linda Chancey, Clerk. Guests in attendance were Mayor Don McIlroy, Auditor Gayle Spangler and Law Director, Gary Kenworthy.

President David Crawford called the meeting to order at 7:00 PM. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited and Crawford invited the public to join with council for the invocation, if they wish. Crawford stated the December 3, 2019 meeting minutes are approved as corrected.

## **REPORTS FROM COUNCIL MEMBERS WITH COMMITTEE REPORTS**

Crawford and several council members gave adulation to the departing council members Tom Spring and Julie Strawser for their time they have served these past years.

Spring reported that the LRSP Cmte met twice in the month of December and from those meetings was the amendment to the Economic Development Plan to the Evert's DRD and prior to tonight's council meeting Long Range Committee met with Frank Quinn, Director of Historic Preservation for Heritage Ohio, and a member of the Ohio Historic Site Preservation Advisory Board to discuss the Certified Local Government (CLG) ordinance. This ordinance will make the city eligible for grants for the downtown and establish a Design Review Board to encourage and welcome residents to have their buildings on a national registry or expand the city's historical district. The committee also recommended to the Finance Committee to invest in new found revenue or additional revenue coming into the city.

## **NO REPORTS FROM ADMINISTRATION**

## **NO QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS**

## **NO ADDRESS TO COUNCIL**

## **COMMUNICATION**

A letter from the City Council Clerk, Linda Chancey, dated December 17, 2019 was read stating that she attended Sunshine Laws/Open Meeting training on December 6, 2019 and was the designee for all of council members.

Council Clerk delivered a certified copy of the ordinance #09-55-2019 Demolition Delay to the Pickaway County Commissioners office to April Dengler and Mark Rogal December 12, 2019. Brady motioned to accept the correspondences and to place them on file. Blanton seconded. Motion carried.

## **ORDINANCE FOR THIRD READING**

**An Ordinance to Provide For the Expenditures in All Funds for the Calendar Year 2020 for the City Of Circleville.** Keller stated this was reviewed in the Finance Cmte. The proposed 2020 budget for the City of Circleville is \$22,830,014.14. Keller motioned for passage. Brady seconded. Roll call. (7 - Yeas - 0 Nays). Motion carried. Ordinance passes and assigned #01-01-2020.

## **ORDINANCES FOR FIRST READING**

**An Ordinance Amending Ordinance NO. 06-45-2015 Approving The Circleville Zoning Code And Circleville Zoning Map And Repealing Any Zoning Ordinance, Zoning Map Or Subdivision Regulation Or Part Thereof In Conflict There With.** Crawford stated this was reviewed in the Committee of Whole meeting. Spring noted the recommendation from the Cmte of Whole was to forward to the law director to create a new division for a Board of Zoning Appeals (BZA) and to make housekeeping changes to bring the city's codes into consistence throughout the document to be handled by the new Board of Zoning Appeal (BZA).

Spring motioned to amend the fourth WHEREAS to add the word "denial" and remove the word approval. Brady seconded. Roll call. (7 Yeas - 0 Nays). Ordinance is amended. Spring motioned to

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suspend the rules. Theis seconded. Roll call. (7 Yeas – 0 Nays). Rules are suspended. Blanton motioned for passage. Brady seconded.

Mayor Don McIlroy asked if council read the complete revised planning and zoning documents attached to this ordinance? There are more changes that are being submitted tonight to the same Planning & Zoning documents. I asked that council members read the changes in the planning and zoning document with the extra changes first and then bring it back for a second reading. The Law Director Gary Kenworthy noted the changes in the new documents are changing the name of the Planning and Zoning Commissioners to Board of Zoning Appeals throughout the document. The mayor further stated that the BZA is unnecessary for the City of Circleville. Roll call. (7 Yeas – 0 Nays).

Ordinance passes and assigned # 12-68-2019.

**An Ordinance Authorizing The City Auditor To Enter Into An Agreement With The Madison Township Joint Economic Develop District To Provide Fiscal Agent Serviced To The District And Declaring An Emergency.** Keller stated this was reviewed in the Finance cmte and was recommended for passage. This is the second township the auditor's office will be the fiscal agent to. Keller motioned to suspend the rules. Brady seconded. Roll call. (7 Yeas – 0 Nays). Rules are suspended. Keller motioned for passage. Theis seconded. Roll call. (7 Yeas - 0 Nays). Ordinance passes and assigned # 12-69-2019.

**An Ordinance Establishing A Special Revenue Fund Known As The "Safety Forces .5% Income Tax Fund 227" And Declaring An Emergency.** Keller stated this was reviewed in the Finance cmte and was recommended for passage. Keller continued, the next three (3) ordinances refer to the new income tax revenue that the city voters passed in November. Keller motioned to amend "...Income Tax Fund 221..." to "227" in the title and throughout the ordinance. Brady seconded. Roll call. (7 Yeas -0 Nays). Amendment passed. Keller motioned to suspend the rules. Brady seconded. Roll call. (7 Yeas – 0 Nays). Rules are suspended. Keller motioned for passage. Hedges seconded. Roll call. (7 Yeas -0 Nays). Ordinance passes and assigned # 12-70-2019.

**An Ordinance Amending Section 191.01 , 191.03, 191.07,191.16, 192.01 192.03 And 192.04 Of The Codified Ordinances Of The City Of Circleville To Comply With The Increase Of The City Income Tax Rate As Approved By The Electors Of The City And Declaring An Emergency.** Keller stated this was reviewed in the Finance cmte and was recommended for passage. This is amending seven ordinances for the income tax modifications. Brady motioned to suspend the rules. Theis seconded. Roll call. (7 Yeas – 0 Nays). Rules are suspended. Keller motioned for passage. Spring seconded. Roll call. (7 Yeas -0 Nays). Ordinance passes and assigned # 12-71-2019.

**An Ordinance Amending Section 191.16 And 192.01 Section 1(B) (2) Of The Codified Ordinances of The City Of Circleville Relating To The Allocation of Funds Deposited In The Income Tax Revenue Fund And Declaring An Emergency.** Keller stated this was reviewed in the Finance cmte and was recommended for passage. This is for the allocation of funds to 81% operating expense and 19% for capital improvements for the city. Keller motioned to suspend the rules. Hedges seconded. Roll call. (7 Yeas – 0 Nays). Rules are suspended. Keller motioned for passage. Brady seconded. Roll call. (7 Yeas -0 Nays). Ordinance passes and assigned # 12-72-2019.

**An Ordinance Authorizing Payment From The Ted Lewis Park Trust Fund 218 To The Pickaway County Community Foundation For The Establishment Of A Ted Lewis Park Improvement Fund And Declaring An Emergency.** Keller stated this was reviewed in the Finance cmte and was referred back to finance for additional language in Section I: "...all funds in this account shall be utilized only for improvements or development of Ted Lewis Park in compliance with the Ted Lewis Park Master Plan as approved by City Council."

Hedges asked does the added language in Section I mean council is not going to make amendments to the Ted Lewis Master Plan? Crawford stated if changes are made to the master plan, they can become eligible for funding. Hedges asked is council moving just these to PCCF or are any funds going into that account? Spangler stated Council can amend the Ted Lewis Master Plan, but if any funds are raised for the Ted Lewis Park it has to be approved by Council.

Keller motioned to suspend the rules. Brady seconded. Roll call. (7 Yeas – 0 Nays). Rules are suspended. Keller motioned for passage. Brady seconded. Roll call. (7 Yeas - 0 Nays).

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Ordinance passes and assigned # 12-73-2019.

**An Ordinance Amending The Everts Downtown Redevelopment District Economic Development Plan As Established In Ordinance #12-68-2016.** Spring stated this was reviewed in the LRSP cmte. There were changes on Page 17 that referred to the “**PLAN OF USE FOR SERVICE PAYMENTS**” for the former Evert’s school. These recommendations were from the LRSP committee. Spring motioned to suspend the rules. This seconded. Roll call. (7 Yeas – 0 Nays). Rules are suspended. Spring motioned for passage. Hedges seconded. Roll call. (7 Yeas - 0 Nays). Ordinance passes and assigned # 12-74-2019.

## **UNDER NEW BUSINESS**

Spring motioned to amend ordinance 12-64-2019 to include exhibits, maps, parcel districts and Evert’s Economic Redevelopment Plan revised December 2019. Brady seconded. Roll call. (7 Yeas – 0 Nays). Amendments to the ordinance #12-64-2019 passed.

Hedges read a Resolution recognizing and honoring Municipal Court Judge Gary Dumm for his contribution to the practice of law in Pickaway County and his exemplary leadership as Circleville Municipal Court Judge.

Voice Vote. (7 Yeas – 0 Nays). Voice vote is endorsed by Resolution to Judge Dumm.

Strawser motioned to adjourn at 7:44 PM. Spring seconded. Motion carried.

Respectfully submitted by

Linda Chancey, Council Clerk