

December 22, 2015

The Gallipolis City Commission met in special session on Tuesday, December 22, 2015, at 6:00 p.m. at the Gallipolis Municipal Building, 333 Third Avenue, having complied with Section 9 of the City Charter.

Commission President Steven Wallis called the meeting to order and gave the invocation.

Upon roll call, the following members were present:

Steven E. Wallis, President  
 Albert "Tony" Gallagher, Vice-President  
 Michael W. Brown, Member  
 Michael C. Fulks, Member  
 W. Matthew Johnson, Member

Others attending were:

M. Eugene Greene, City Manager  
 Adam R. Salisbury, City Solicitor  
 Annette M. Landers, City Auditor/Clerk/Treasurer  
 Dean Wright, Gallipolis Daily Tribune  
 Ronnie Lynch                      Jeff Boyer                      Justin Rice  
 Bill Gilkey

The City Manager reported the following:

- City offices will be closed on December 24<sup>th</sup> and 25<sup>th</sup>, re-opening on December 28<sup>th</sup> for normal business hours.
- With the renewal of the health insurance, the employee deductible will increase by \$1,000 to \$1,600. The City will absorb the monthly assessment of deficit recovery charge of \$7,515 (\$167 x 45 employees). With these changes, the increase in health care premiums will be limited to 5%.
- The County Dog Warden called to ask our stand on pit bulls and vicious dogs inside City limits. He was concerned that the ordinance was perhaps not being enforced consistently. The Commission was asked to re-visit the issue a few months ago. President Wallis again expressed no interest in re-opening the issue at this time.
- The dump property has been sold and a check for \$27,000 was presented to the City Auditor for deposit.
- Mr. Greene requested executive session to discuss police matters – confidential investigations.

The City Auditor briefly explained that Ordinance O2015-70 on tonight's agenda was mostly another reduction of appropriations. The only increase was \$1,000 additional for water leak claims in the Water Leak Insurance Fund.

The City Solicitor and the City Commissioners had no comments or reports to offer.

There was presented and read to the Commission as an emergency a Resolution No. R2015-17 entitled **AN EMERGENCY RESOLUTION DECLARING THE POLICY OF THE CITY OF GALLIPOLIS IN REGARDS TO MEDICAL INSURANCE COVERAGE FOR SPOUSES**. Mr. Johnson made a motion to adopt this resolution as an emergency, seconded by Mr. Brown. For new coverage after January 1, this resolution requires spouses to enroll in their own employer or retirement plan

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coverage, if available. Currently covered spouses are not affected. Upon roll call to adopt this resolution as an emergency, all votes were yes.

There was presented and read to the Commission as an emergency an Ordinance No. O2015-67 entitled **AN EMERGENCY ORDINANCE ESTABLISHING CHAPTER 189, INCOME TAX, OF THE CODIFIED ORDINANCES OF THE CITY OF GALLIPOLIS, OHIO**. Mr. Gallagher made a motion to adopt this ordinance as an emergency, seconded by Mr. Brown. Upon roll call to adopt this ordinance as an emergency, all votes were yes.

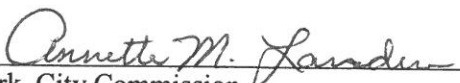
There was presented and read to the Commission as an emergency an Ordinance No. O2015-68 entitled **AN EMERGENCY ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER TO ENTER INTO AN AGREEMENT WITH GALLIA COUNTY FOR THE BOARDING OF PRISONERS**. Mr. Brown made a motion to adopt this ordinance as an emergency, seconded by Mr. Gallagher. Ms. Landers told the Commissioners that there is no increase in the cost for this contract and the one for indigent defense. Upon roll call to adopt this ordinance as an emergency, all votes were yes.

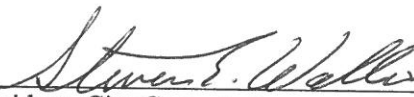
There was presented and read to the Commission as an emergency an Ordinance No. O2015-69 entitled **AN EMERGENCY ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER TO ENTER INTO AN AGREEMENT WITH THE GALLIA COUNTY COMMISSIONERS FOR PAYMENT OF LEGAL SERVICES TO THE CITY'S INDIGENT CITIZENS**. Mr. Johnson made a motion to adopt this ordinance as an emergency, seconded by Mr. Fulks. Upon roll call to adopt this ordinance as an emergency, all votes were yes.

There was presented and read to the Commission as an emergency an Ordinance No. O2015-70 entitled **AN EMERGENCY ORDINANCE AMENDING ORDINANCE NO. O2015-16, AS AMENDED BY ORDINANCE NO. O2015-24, AS AMENDED BY ORDINANCE NO. O2015-29, AS AMENDED BY ORDINANCE NO. O2015-36, AS AMENDED BY ORDINANCE NO. O2015-41, AS AMENDED BY ORDINANCE NO. O2015-49, AS AMENDED BY ORDINANCE NO. O2015-52, AS AMENDED BY ORDINANCE NO. O2015-64, SETTING APPROPRIATIONS FOR CURRENT EXPENSES OF THE CITY OF GALLIPOLIS, OHIO, DURING THE FISCAL YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 2015**. Mr. Brown made a motion to adopt this ordinance as an emergency, seconded by Mr. Johnson. Upon roll call to adopt this ordinance as an emergency, all votes were yes.

Mr. Brown made a motion to enter executive session to discuss Police Department – confidential investigations, seconded by Mr. Johnson. Upon roll call to enter executive session for contracts/health insurance negotiations, all votes were yes. Upon completion of executive session, Commission returned to special session.

There being no further business to come before the City Commission, the meeting was adjourned.

  
Clerk, City Commission

  
President, City Commission