

February 2, 2016

The Gallipolis City Commission met in regular session on Tuesday, February 2, 2016, at 6:00 p.m. at the Gallipolis Municipal Building, 333 Third Avenue, having complied with Section 9 of the City Charter.

Commission President Tony Gallagher called the meeting to order. Mr. Wallis gave the invocation.

Upon roll call, the following members were present:

Albert "Tony" Gallagher, President  
 Michael C. Fulks, Vice-President  
 Roger P. Brandeberry, Member  
 W. Matthew Johnson, Member  
 Steven E. Wallis, 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                      Marvin Vanderberg                      Ed Swisher  
 Keith Elliott                      Joy Elliott                      Matt Champlin  
 Randy Breech                      Jeff Boyer

Commission received the minutes of the January 19, 2016 meeting prior to this meeting. There being no corrections, objections, or additions, these minutes were approved.

The City Manager reported on the following:

- City crews were out around thirty-six hours clearing the last snow. They did a great job. The City Manager has received many reports of people who were stuck on the roadways who were assisted by our people. Many of the Commissioners also praised their fine work in assisting residents and keeping the streets plowed and safe.
- The street crews have also reported picking up trash twice a week around the City Park. They have been sweeping the streets and patching pot holes as weather has permitted.
- Crews have been busy repairing water leaks and clearing plugged sewers.
- The gate on the dumpster in the alley behind the City Building has been repaired and we have made arrangements to have cameras installed to detect future vandalism.
- AB&R Trash Service appears to have gone out of business, which left a problem with their full dumpsters being left behind. City crews picked up 15 or 16 dumpsters and cleaned up the mess. The dumpsters are currently on city property until they can be declared abandoned or recovered by the owner. If abandoned, we will need to determine how to best dispose of them.
- The Commission needs to decide when to begin budget hearings. Commissioners consulted their calendars and decided to schedule the first two hearings for Thursday, February 11<sup>th</sup> and 18<sup>th</sup>, at 6 p.m.
- The County Engineer has begun a two-month project to repair a slip on Bob McCormick Road. The County and City are cooperating on the relocation of 400 feet of 12" water main line. This line provides essential service to Holzer Hospital and the nursing homes. Holzer's tank holds about thirty-six hours of water.



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Commissioners began a discussion of seats to be filled on the City's boards and committees. Mr. Greene recommended Mr. Rick Moody to serve on the Board of Zoning Appeals for the term from October 24, 2015 to October 24, 2020. Mr. Wallis made a motion approving the appointment, seconded by Mr. Brandeberry. Upon voice vote on the motion, all votes were yes.

Mr. Greene recommended Ms. Karen McCarty to serve the five-year term from January 1, 2016 to December 31, 2020 on the City Park Advisory Board. Mr. Fulks made a motion approving this appointment, seconded by Mr. Johnson. Upon voice vote on the motion, all votes were yes.

Mr. Greene stated that he was trying to reach Mr. Jimmy Salyer about re-appointment to the Gallia Metropolitan Housing Authority Board for the term ending in July 2019, but has not been able to reach him. He will continue to try to reach him.

Mr. Johnson made a motion to re-appoint Ms. Shawn Saunders to the Sinking Fund Board for the term from January 1, 2016 to December 31, 2019, seconded by Mr. Fulks. Upon voice vote on the motion, all votes were yes.

President Gallagher went on to the topic of filling 2-year appointments of City Commissioners to various committees. He serves on the CIC Executive Committee by virtue of his position as Commission President. Because he is able to attend daytime meetings, he also volunteered to serve on the Family and Children First Council, Gallipolis in Bloom Committee, and OVRDC. Mr. Johnson offered to serve on the Ariel Theater Board. Mr. Fulks will serve on the Our House Committee. Mr. Brandeberry volunteered to serve the Threat Risk Assessment group. There were no objections expressed to these appointments.

The City Auditor presented the following invoices over \$3,000 for approval of payment:

- \$17,344.60 from CT Consultants for WWTP Upgrade. Invoice date: 10/16/15; PO date: 12/18/15
- \$18,373.88 from CT Consultants for WWTP Upgrade. Invoice date: 11/19/15; PO date: 12/18/15
- \$6,936 from Gallia Co Sheriff for Oct Housing of Prisoners. Inv. date: 10/31/15; PO date: 1/4/16
- \$26,122 from CMI for 2016 Annual Software Fee. Inv. date: 1/1/16; PO date: 1/11/16
- \$16,478 form PEP Pool of Ohio for 2<sup>nd</sup> pmt. on 2016 Prop/Liability Ins. Inv: 1/1/16; PO: 1/4/16

Mr. Fulks made a motion to approve payment, seconded by Mr. Wallis. Upon voice vote on the motion, all votes were yes.

Ms. Landers informed the Commissioners that it is time to renew the Parking Lot Bond Anticipation Note. The \$100,000, one-year note matures at the end of March. She suggested going out for a longer term this time of perhaps ten years in order to save the cost of bond counsel for yearly renewals. Last year, the Commission approved a one-year BAN to allow time to sell some property to pay down the note when it matured. We sold the property at the end of Texas Road and will be paying down the note accordingly. After the expense on bond counsel and interest, we should have \$20,000 or more to pay against the principal. She will be advertising for interest rates for an \$80,000, 10-year BAN. The Commissioners indicated their agreement with this plan.

The City Solicitor said that he had no new issues or lawsuits to report.

Mr. Wallis and Mr. Brandeberry each voiced their appreciation for the good job the street crew did during the big snow, saying that Gallipolis was in better shape than most of the surrounding communities.

There was presented and read to the Commission as an emergency an Ordinance No. O2016-05 entitled **AN EMERGENCY ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 1315.03, BUILDING PERMIT FEES; EXEMPTION, OF THE CODIFIED ORDINANCES OF THE CITY OF GALLIPOLIS,**



**OHIO.** Mr. Wallis made a motion to adopt this ordinance as an emergency, seconded by Mr. Brandeberry. Mr. Brandeberry questioned why there are so many ordinances done as emergencies rather than on two readings. Ms. Landers responded that there is an effort to do as many as possible on two readings, but that issues of timing require that many be handled as emergencies. Mr. Greene said that these specific ordinances needed to be done as emergencies in order to have them in effect for this contracting season, since contractors were already beginning to come in and pay their fees for the upcoming season. 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. O2016-06 entitled **AN EMERGENCY ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 715.05, FEE; CONDITIONS, OF THE CODIFIED ORDINANCES OF THE CITY OF GALLIPOLIS, OHIO.** Mr. Fulks made a motion to adopt this ordinance as an emergency, seconded by Mr. Wallis. Upon roll call to adopt this ordinance as an emergency, all votes were yes.

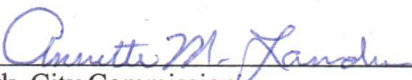
There was presented and read to the Commission as an emergency an Ordinance No. O2016-07 entitled **AN EMERGENCY ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 1317.02, REGISTRATION REQUIRED WITH MUNICIPAL INCOME TAX DEPARTMENT, OF THE CODIFIED ORDINANCES OF THE CITY OF GALLIPOLIS, OHIO.** Mr. Johnson made a motion to adopt this ordinance as an emergency, seconded by Mr. Wallis. 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. O2016-08 entitled **AN EMERGENCY ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 941.05, CEMETERY FEES, OF THE CODIFIED ORDINANCES OF THE CITY OF GALLIPOLIS, OHIO.** Mr. Wallis made a motion to adopt this ordinance as an emergency, seconded by Mr. Brandeberry. 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. O2016-09 entitled **AN EMERGENCY ORDINANCE AMENDING ORDINANCE NO. O2015-60, SETTING TEMPORARY APPROPRIATIONS FOR CURRENT EXPENSES FOR THE CALENDAR YEAR 2016.** Mr. Fulks 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. Brandeberry, Mr. Fulks, and Mr. Gallagher are interested in attending the Ohio Municipal League conference in Columbus on Saturday, February 27<sup>th</sup>. Mr. Gallagher said he would let Ms. Landers know for sure tomorrow if he plans to attend.

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

  
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Clerk, City Commission

  
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President, City Commission