

April 16, 2013

The Gallipolis City Commission met in special session on Tuesday, April 16, 2013, at 7:00 p.m. at the Gallipolis Municipal Building, 333 Third Avenue, having complied with Section 9 of the City Charter.

Commission President James Jay Cremeens called the meeting to order and gave the invocation.

Upon roll call, the following members were present:

James Jay Cremeens, President
 Steven E. Wallis, Vice-President
 Michael W. Brown, Member
 James A. Cozza, Member
 W. Matthew Johnson, Member

Others attending were:

Randall J. Finney, City Manager
 Adam R. Salisbury, City Solicitor
 Annette M. Landers, City Auditor/Clerk/Treasurer
 Amber Gillenwater, Gallipolis Daily Tribune
 Tony Gallagher Ronnie Lynch Claudia Miller
 Dottie Chestnut Clint Patterson Marvin Vanderberg
 Keith Elliott Joy Elliott

Commission received the minutes of the April 2, 2013 meeting prior to this meeting. There being no corrections, objections, or additions, these minutes were approved.

The City Manager reported on the following:

- Mound Hill Road Repair – We received the okay from FEMA to begin working again. The contractor has ordered materials and will be starting back again soon.
- Hedgewood Drive – The original low bidder has made some threats of legal action. The City Manager has talked to Ms. Adcock from Ohio EMA about the additional work we need to do. FEMA will re-evaluate the project.
- Administrative Offices – The concrete out back needs to be re-poured because the back door sticks on it. There is also a small problem with the carpet. Direction arrows need to be applied to direct traffic around the building and to the drive thru. Credit card payments are now being accepted and customers can go on-line to access their utility accounts and make credit card payments.
- Mr. Finney received a TREX transfer request for a liquor license for the Charles Pump ‘N Shop, which is going in where the Marathon station was in the Walmart Plaza. Mr. Johnson made a motion to approve the transfer, seconded by Mr. Brown. Upon voice vote on the motion, all votes were yes.
- Accident involving ladder truck – An on-coming car forced our ladder truck into the guardrail, causing mostly cosmetic damage.
- The City Manager attended the Jobs Ohio meeting in Chillicothe this afternoon.
- Mr. Finney said that he will be out on Thursday and Friday of this week for vacation.

The City Auditor presented the March Financial Statement for approval. Mr. Johnson made a motion to approve the March Financial Statement, seconded by Mr. Wallis. Upon voice vote on the motion, all votes were yes.

Invoices over \$3,000 presented for approval of payment were as follows:

- \$112,679.82 from Foill for Mound Hill Road repair. Invoice 1/31/13; P.O. 3/22/13
- \$176,321.41 from Foill for Mound Hill Road repair. Invoice 2/28/13; P.O. 3/22/13
- \$6,305.20 from Gallia Co. Commissioners for 1st Qtr. IT salary. Inv. 3/6/12; P.O. 3/19/13
- \$22,515.25 from Travelers for prop. Insurance. Inv. 3/12/13; P.O. 3/19/13

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

Ms. Landers informed the Commissioners that she would be taking a day of vacation on Friday, April 26th.

The City Solicitor reminded the Commissioners that he would be gone for two weeks for his honeymoon. The Assistant Solicitor will be assuming his duties while he is away.

Mr. Salisbury also recounted recent developments regarding J.J. McGuire and his river lot on Eastern Avenue. A probation violation hearing was held last week. He has been ordered to replace dirt that he has removed and is only permitted to use his lot to farm his vegetables.

President Cremeens noted that the AT&T store has gone out of business.

There was presented and read to the Commission as an emergency a Resolution No. R2013-03 entitled **AN EMERGENCY RESOLUTION REPEALING RESOLUTION NO. R2012-24, AND APPOINTING M. EDWARD SWISHER AS ACTING CITY MANAGER IN THE ABSENCE OR INCAPACITY OF THE CITY MANAGER.** Mr. Johnson made a motion to adopt this resolution as an emergency, seconded by Mr. Cozza. 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 a Resolution No. R2013-04 entitled **AN EMERGENCY RESOLUTION AMENDING R2012-17, SECTION 5, AND NAMING M. EDWARD SWISHER AS THE CITY OF GALLIPOLIS ALTERNATE APPOINTMENT TO THE DISTRICT 15 PUBLIC WORKS INTEGRATING COMMITTEE.** Mr. Johnson made a motion to adopt this resolution as an emergency, seconded by Mr. Brown. 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. O2013-23 entitled **AN EMERGENCY ORDINANCE AMENDING ORDINANCE NO. O2013-16, SETTING APPROPRIATIONS FOR CURRENT EXPENSES OF THE CITY OF GALLIPOLIS, OHIO, DURING THE FISCAL YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 2013.** Mr. Wallis 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.

There was presented and read to the Commission as an emergency an Ordinance No. O2013-24 entitled **AN EMERGENCY ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING AND DIRECTING THE CITY MANAGER TO SIGN DOCUMENTATION FOR PURCHASE OF REAL PROPERTY AT 44 LOCUST STREET.** Mr. Wallis made a motion to adopt this ordinance as an emergency, seconded by Mr. Johnson. President Cremeens informed those present that the purpose for this property was to gain control of the alley providing access to Locust Street, as well as provide additional parking for City employees. Judge Margaret Evans has agreed to front all of the purchase price, with the Court Capital Fund and General Fund ultimately sharing the cost 50/50 when the City goes out for financing. Upon roll call to adopt this ordinance as an emergency, all votes were yes.

Mr. Cozza brought up the subject of the brush truck. Chief Elliott responded the City has two brush trucks, with the oldest being forty-five years old. It has been taken out of service and put back into service over the years. The plan is to replace the oldest truck sometime in the fall or winter of this year. The price is estimated at around \$300,000 for a tanker truck and between \$60,000 and \$70,000 for a brush truck. Chief Elliott also informed the Commission that the volunteers got donations from businesses and the volunteers covered the balance needed to order a side scan sonar unit for use with the new water rescue boat.

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


Clerk, City Commission


President, City Commission