

April 16, 2019

The Gallipolis City Commission met in ^{special} regular session on Tuesday, April 16, 2019, at 6 p.m., at the Gallipolis Municipal Building, 333 Third Avenue, having complied with Section 9 of the City Charter.

Commission President Michael Fulks called the meeting to order. Mr. Wallis gave the invocation.

Upon roll call, the following members were present:

Michael C. Fulks, President
 Steven E. Wallis, Vice-President
 Cody C. Caldwell, Member
 Albert "Tony" Gallagher, Member

Others attending were:

M. Eugene Greene, City Manager
 Brynn S. Noe, City Solicitor
 Annette M. Landers, Auditor/Clerk/Treasurer
 Ronnie Lynch Michael W. Brown Lester Plymale
 Marvin Ours Mary Lee Marchi Claudia Miller
 Dottie Chestnut Kenny Ratliff Roma Wood

Commission received the minutes of the April 2, 2019 meeting prior to this meeting. There being no corrections, objections, or additions, these minutes were approved.

The City Manager reported on the following:

- Mowing season has begun, with City Maintenance crews mowing five days per week to keep up with the cemeteries, parks, and ballfields.
- Crews repaired several water leaks in the Spring Valley area last week.
- We continue monitoring the slip on SR588, which continues to show signs of movement. FEMA is also involved with this slip.
- The motor at the swimming pool is out for repair, but should be back in time for opening on May 26th.
- Code Enforcement is still refining a list of vacant properties that the City maintains. He is now in the process of matching addresses to parcel numbers for those we might potentially sell.
- Columbia Gas is well into their gas line replacement project, with very few complaints so far from the public.
- The paving at Airport Road was completed today. We are also working on the paving grants for this fall.
- The Utility Department received six hundred responses back from customers interested in participating in the EPA lead and copper survey, the most interest we have seen in this program.
- Mr. Greene reminded people that the Junior Women's Club Easter Egg Hunt is set for Saturday, April 20th in the City Park, with games beginning at 10 a.m.

The City Manager honored Ms. Mary Lee Marchi for more than twenty years of service on the Gallipolis Park Board and at the Gallia County Historical Society with the presentation of a plaque of appreciation from the City Commission and the residents of Gallipolis. He said that there are people who have lived in town their entire lives that you never see much of, but there are others, like Ms. Marchi, who work all hours of the day or night to serve the public, make the City look its best, and help put Gallipolis

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on the map for people from all over. He also praised her talent in photography and her years as a business owner. Everyone joined in thanking Ms. Marchi for her many years of hard work.

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

Four invoices over \$3,000 were presented for approval of payment:

- \$5,235.15 from Waste Management for landfill fees for City dumpsters. Inv: 3/18/19. PO: 4/1/19.
- \$4,518.45 from Ohio BWC for monthly premium. Inv: 3/29/19. PO: 4/1/19.
- \$5,351.02 from Mended Reeds for indigent offender treatment. Inv: 3/28/19. PO: 4/4/19.
- \$3,750 from the County for 1st qtr. indigent defense. Inv: 3/29/19. PO: 4/2/19.

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

Ms. Landers detailed \$13,952.02 in additions to the appropriation changes in tonight's second reading of Ordinance No O2019-11:

- \$200 to Section 1: City Commission for printing flyers
- \$1,000 to Section 4: City Auditor/Treasurer for $\frac{3}{4}$ of office assistant salary & benefits
- \$2,500 to Section 39: Police Special Equipment for tasers funded by a donation we received
- \$5,351.02 to Section 44: Alcohol Treatment for the Mended Reeds bill
- \$3,136 to Section 60: Water Administration and \$1,765 to Section 65: WPC Administration for $\frac{1}{4}$ of office assistant salary and benefits

Ms. Landers announced that she will be out of the office all day on Tuesday and Wednesday of next week to drive family members to medical appointments in Huntington and Charleston.

The City Solicitor requested a short executive session for legal: pending lawsuits.

Mr. Gallagher said he had been given copies of some old ordinances enacted by the City in the 1870's and 1880's. He read a couple of them for everyone's entertainment. One dealt with the penalties for loitering around the streets or houses of ill fame, which included fines up to \$50 and/or imprisonment up to 30 days on bread and water. The other required all able bodied male residents between the ages of 21 and 55 to perform two days annually of labor on the streets, roads, or alleys in town.

Mr. Wallis said he had been reading information put out by the Ohio Municipal League and asked whether the City needed to do anything related to the census. Ms. Landers and Mr. Greene both responded that there is nothing required for us to do. Ms. Landers said that we had received mailings very early on inviting us to participate in formulating the list of addresses that census workers will visit, but that as she understands it, as a village, we are under the County's administrative role.

There was presented and read to the Commission for a second reading an Ordinance No. O2019-10 entitled **AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING AND DIRECTING THE CITY MANAGER TO ENTER INTO AN AGREEMENT WITH THE VILLAGE OF MIDDLEPORT, OHIO, FOR THE HOUSING OF PRISONERS.** Mr. Wallis made a motion to adopt this ordinance on second reading, seconded by Mr. Caldwell. Upon roll call to adopt this ordinance on second reading, all votes were yes.

There was presented and read to the Commission for a second reading an Ordinance No. O2019-11 entitled **AN ORDINANCE AMENDING ORDINANCE NO. O2019-06, SETTING APPROPRIATIONS FOR CURRENT EXPENSES OF THE CITY OF GALLIPOLIS, OHIO,**

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DURING THE FISCAL YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 2019. Mr. Caldwell made a motion to amend the Ordinance to include the additional \$13,952.02 in appropriations outlined earlier by Ms. Landers, seconded by Mr. Wallis. Upon roll call to amend the ordinance as stated, all votes were yes. Mr. Gallagher made a motion to adopt the amended ordinance on second reading, seconded by Mr. Wallis. Upon roll call to adopt this ordinance, as amended, on second reading, all votes were yes.

Mr. Wallis made a motion to enter executive session to legal: pending lawsuits, seconded by Mr. Gallagher. Upon roll call to enter executive session for legal matters, all votes were yes. President Fulks announced that there would be no business following executive session. Upon completion of executive session, Commission returned to special session. There being no further business to come before the Commission, the meeting was adjourned.



Clerk, City Commission



President, City Commission