

November 7, 2017

The Gallipolis City Commission met in regular session on Tuesday, November 7, 2017, at 5:00 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
Steven E. Wallis, Member

Arriving later were:

Michael C. Fulks, Vice-President (during the City Manager's report)
Roger P. Brandeberry, Member (during Executive Session)

Others attending were:

M. Eugene Greene, City Manager
Annette M. Landers, Auditor/Clerk/Treasurer
Dean Wright, Gallipolis Daily Tribune
Michelle Miller, Gallia Hometown Herald
Ronnie Lynch Mary Lee Marchi Keith Elliott
Marvin Vanderberg Randy Breech

Due to the lack of quorum, President Gallagher went to *Privilege of Floor*, which there was none requested, and on to City Manager's report as follows:

- We met today with Saunders Insurance and the Wiseman Agency concerning the City's health insurance. We are still looking at ways to keep the employees' portion down. There has been some progress in that direction, but we are still gathering information before making a final decision.
- Code Enforcement has sent over sixty letters to the Court for property maintenance violations.
- The auction of the Last Chance and 75 Cedar Street is set for Saturday, November 18, 2017, at 8 a.m. in front of the Justice Center.
- Groups Recovery Together met on Monday evening with the Planning Commission to request a zoning change for 76 Vine Street for their proposed non-residential drug abuse treatment facility. The Planning Commission voted to not change the zoning regulations at this location for the proposed facility. The City has offered to help them find another location in town that can accommodate them.
- Gallipolis in Lights and Mounts Tree Service have been busy installing Christmas lights in the Park.
- Maintenance crews have replaced a water main on Sanders Hill due to the large number of leaks in the area.
- GDC water line replacement is moving forward with talks this week on plans for the project, projected for spring of 2018.
- The WPC Plant started hauling sludge to the landfill last week. This is projected to cost between five and six thousand dollars per year. They decided that it would not be cost effective to spend over \$100,000 for a new sludge truck with such a low cost alternative available.
- The City Manager talked with Columbia Gas about cuts they have been making in the pavement in town to service their lines. Although they fill in the areas and patch them after their work is completed, they later sink and cost our streets department to maintain them until the next time the

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roads are re-paved. Some towns charge a maintenance fee for cutting the pavement. Columbia Gas charges the City every time we do any damage to their lines when we are working on our utilities, so it seems only fair to expect them to pay for damages they do to our roads. Mr. Greene is working for an equitable solution to this problem.

- Mr. Greene requested executive session to discuss personnel.

Mr. Fulks having arrived during the City Manager's report, President Gallagher announced the presence of the quorum needed to approve the minutes. Mr. Wallis made a motion to approve the October 17th and 31st minutes, seconded by Mr. Fulks. Upon voice vote on the motion, all votes were yes.

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

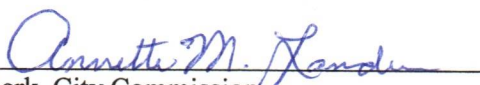
Ms. Landers announced that the County Budget Committee's Public Hearing for the 2018 City of Gallipolis Alternate Tax Budget will be held at 10:30 a.m. on Tuesday, November 21, 2017, in the second floor meeting room of the Gallia County Courthouse. Commissioners and the public are invited to attend.

President Gallagher said that he has been told there is a bad problem with rats around the dumpster in the alley behind the City Building. He expressed concern that our building could be invaded by rats, which would create a health concern for our employees. He asked that we look for a solution to the problem before it gets to that point.

There was presented and read to the Commission for a first reading a Resolution No. R2017-04 entitled **A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER TO ADVERTISE FOR BIDS FOR THE PURCHASE OF MATERIALS, SUPPLIES, EQUIPMENT AND SERVICES FOR USE BY THE CITY IN THE CALENDAR YEAR 2018 AS HEREIN DESCRIBED.** Mr. Wallis made a motion to place this resolution on first reading, seconded by Mr. Fulks. Upon voice vote to place this resolution on first reading, all votes were yes.

There was presented and read to the Commission for a first reading an Ordinance No. O2017-39 entitled **AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING AND DIRECTING THE CITY MANAGER TO ISSUE PERMITS TO CHARITABLE ORGANIZATIONS TO SOLICIT FROM THE OCCUPANT OF A VEHICLE PURSUANT TO CHAPTER 371.06 (B) (2) OF THE CODIFIED ORDINANCES OF THE CITY OF GALLIPOLIS, OHIO.** Mr. Wallis made a motion to place this ordinance on first reading, seconded by Mr. Fulks. Ms. Landers pointed out that the ordinance is retroactive to the date of the first requested boot drive. Upon voice vote to place this ordinance on first reading, all votes were yes.

Mr. Wallis made a motion to enter executive session to discuss personnel, seconded by Mr. Fulks. Upon roll call on the motion, all votes were yes. Upon completion of executive session, Commission returned to regular session. Commissioners decided to meet next on Tuesday, November 14th at 5 p.m. There being no further business to come before the City Commission, the meeting was adjourned.


Clerk, City Commission


President, City Commission