

MINUTES
REGULAR MEETING OF COUNCIL
DECEMBER 10, 2012

Call to Order

Mayor Ronald A. D'Epifanio called the Regular Meeting of Council to order at 7:00 PM at the Fairfield Municipal Building, 5350 Pleasant Avenue.

Prayer/Pledge of Allegiance

Councilmember Jones led in prayer and Pledge of Allegiance.

Roll Call

Clerk Wilson called the roll of Council. Councilmember Holtegel, Councilmember Pennington, Councilmember Senger, Councilmember Abbott, Councilmember Oler, Councilmember Meyers, and Councilmember Jones.

Agenda Modifications

Executive Session Requests

Public Hearing(s)

Proposed 2013 Budget

The Proposed 2013 Budget Hearing opened at 7:03 PM. Finance Director Mary Hopton explained that the overall budget revenue projections are just over \$67.8 million, which is an approximately 3% increase. The largest revenue source is income tax. Overall budget expenditures are a decrease of 2.1% from 2012, at \$63.1 million, and based on the current apportionment of the income tax. Debt service for 2013 is projected at just under \$32 million and the AA1 bond rating has been maintained. The projected general fund balance at the end of the year is \$8.2 million. Councilmember Abbott thanked Ms. Hopton and the staff for their hard work on the budget and noted that the bond rating was Council's number one goal and it has been maintained. The public hearing closed at 7:07 PM.

Special Presentations and Citizen Comments

Mayor/Council Reports

Mayor D'Epifanio and Councilmember Senger wished everyone a Merry Christmas and Happy New Year.

Approval of Minutes

Regular Meeting Minutes of December 3, 2012

- The Regular Meeting Minutes of December 3, 2012 were approved as written.

OLD BUSINESS

NEW BUSINESS

PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE Mike Oler, Chairman; Debbie Pennington, Vice Chairman, Terry Senger, Member

Councilmember Oler, seconded by Councilmember Meyers moved to read the following ordinance by title only. Motion Carried 7-0.

Ordinance to amend section 335.074 of the Traffic Code of Ordinance No. 166-84, the Codified Ordinances of Fairfield, Ohio.

Background: City Manager Pizzano recommended an amendment to section 335.074 of the Traffic Code of Ordinance No. 166-84, the Codified Ordinances of Fairfield, Ohio. This is based on changes in state law. Legislative Action: Councilmember Oler presented the first reading of this ordinance. Councilmember Oler, seconded by Councilmember Abbott moved to suspend the rules requiring three (3) readings of this ordinance. Motion Carried 7-0. Councilmember Oler, seconded by Councilmember Pennington moved to adopt . Motion Carried 7-0. ORDINANCE NO. 112-12. APPROVED 7-0.

FINANCE & BUDGET COMMITTEE Tim Abbott, Chairman; Terry Senger, Vice Chairman, Mike Oler, Member

Councilmember Abbott, seconded by Councilmember Oler moved to read the following two (2) ordinances by title only. Motion Carried 7-0.

Ordinance to make estimated appropriations for the expenses and other expenditures of the City of Fairfield, Ohio during the period beginning January 1, 2013 and ending December 31, 2013.

Background: City Manager Pizzano recommended an ordinance to make estimated appropriations for 2013. Legislative Action: Councilmember Abbott presented the first reading of this ordinance. Councilmember Abbott, seconded by Councilmember Pennington moved to suspend the rules requiring three readings of this ordinance. Motion Carried 7-0. Councilmember Abbott, seconded by Councilmember Oler moved to adopt . Motion Carried 7-0. ORDINANCE NO. 113-12. APPROVED 7-0.

Appropriation Ordinance (Reconcile Accounts - See Ordinance for details)

Background: City Manager Pizzano recommended an ordinance to reconcile accounts, which is typical procedure this time of year to close out the books. Legislative Action: Councilmember Abbott presented the first reading of this ordinance. Councilmember Abbott, seconded by Councilmember Jones moved to suspend the rules requiring three (3) readings of this ordinance. Motion Carried 7-0. Councilmember Abbott, seconded by Councilmember Meyers moved to adopt . Motion Carried 7-0. ORDINANCE NO. 114-12. APPROVED 6-0.

Meeting Schedule

Clerk Wilson read the following meeting schedule:

- Monday, January 14 Council-Manager Briefing, 6:00 p.m.; Regular Meeting, 7:00 p.m.
- Monday, January 28 Council-Manager Briefing, 6:00 p.m.; Regular Meeting, 7:00 p.m.
- Monday, February 11 Council-Manager Briefing, 6:00 p.m.; Regular Meeting, 7:00 p.m.

Executive Session of Council (if needed)

Adjournment

The Regular Meeting of Council adjourned at 7:12 PM.

ATTEST:

Clerk of Council

Date Approved _____

Mayor's Approval