

The Council of the City of Vandalia Meeting Minutes

April 20, 2020

MEMBERS PRESENT: Mayor Herbst, Vice Mayor Robert Ahlers, Councilman Blakesly, Councilman Lewis, Councilman Follick, Councilwoman Farst and Councilwoman Woods

OTHERS PRESENT: Jerry McDonald, Jon Crusey, Missy Pruszynski, Bridgette Leiter, Harry Hicks, Amber Holloway, Rob Cron, Holly Wiggins, Chief Follick, Darren Davey, Dave Krauth

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Mayor Herbst called the regularly scheduled meeting of the Council of the City of Vandalia to order at 7:07 p.m. **Mayor Herbst** called for a moment of reflection followed by the Pledge of Allegiance. The council study session minutes of March 16, 2020 and the council meeting minutes of March 16, 2020 were approved as presented.

Communications, Petitions and Awards: None

Public Hearing: None

Comments from Interested Citizens: None

CITY MANAGER'S REPORT

Information Items: None

Action Items: None

Old Business: None

Resolutions:

20-R-21 A Resolution Awarding The Bid For The Tionda Drive Storm Sewer Project, Requested By The Public Works Department, To Durst Brothers Excavating At The Lowest And Best Bid Price Of \$54,875.00. **Mr. McDonald**, read Resolution 20-R-21 by title. **Mr. Crusey** shared bids were opened on March 10 for the Tionda Drive Storm Sewer Project. The budget for this project is \$62,000. Six bids were received with Durst Brothers Excavating submitting the lowest bid. Staff is in the process of acquiring easements from the property owners benefitting from this project. He concluded this project will not be able to move forward until all necessary easements are signed. It was moved by Councilwoman Farst, seconded by

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Councilman Blakesly to approve Resolution 20-R-21 as read. All members present voted yes. Resolution 20-R-21 approved 7-0.

20-R-22 A Resolution Awarding The Bid For Removal And Replacement Of Certain Curbs And Sidewalks Requested By Development And Engineering Services, To Coate Construction LLC At The Lowest And Best Bid Price Of \$260,916.00. **Mr. McDonald** read Resolution 20-R-22 by title. **Mr. Crusey** explained bids for the annual curb and sidewalk repair program were opened March 10. The estimated cost for this year's concrete repair project is \$167,000. The low bid received was \$260,916. This amount is substantially higher than the estimate. Mr. Crusey said this was a discussion topic during this evening's study session and reminded council an additional \$100,000 is needed to complete the project. He continued, there is an emergency supplemental on this evening's council meeting agenda that would appropriate an additional \$100,000 in order to complete our 2020 program. It was moved by Councilman Lewis, seconded by Councilman Blakesly to approve Resolution 20-R-22 as read. All members present voted yes. Resolution 20-R-22 approved 7-0.

20-R-23 A Resolution Authorizing The Purchase Of Thirteen Getac Ruggedized Laptops And Tablets, Requested By The IT Department, From PCS Mobile formally known as Mobile TEK, At Government Procurement Contract Pricing Amounts Totaling \$51,453.00. **Mr. McDonald** read Resolution 20-R-23 by title. **Mr. Crusey** explained the Fire Department utilizes laptop and tablet computers in their vehicles for EMS data, hazmat information, and fire preplan documentation. He said \$12,300 is budgeted for annual lease payments for the replacement of that equipment; however, Council reviewed this project at the March 16 study session and resolved to purchase the computers at a cost of \$51,453 versus a 5-year lease. The Emergency Supplemental Appropriation ordinance on this evening's council meeting agenda includes additional funds for the purchase of said computers. It was moved by Vice Mayor Ahlers, seconded by Councilman Follick, to approve Resolution 20-R-23 as read. All members present voted yes. Resolution 20-R-23 approved 7-0.

Ordinances – First Reading: None

Ordinances – Second Reading: None

Ordinances – Emergency:

20-07 An Ordinance To Revise Appropriations For Current Expenses And Other Expenditures Of The City Of Vandalia, Montgomery County, Ohio During The Calendar Year Ending December 31, 2020, And Amending Ordinance 19-24 And Declaring An Emergency. **Mr. McDonald** read Ordinance 20-07 by title in an emergency reading. **Mr. Crusey** advised this emergency ordinance would amend 2020 appropriations and explained in detail the revisions as follows:

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GENERAL FUND: (\$8,668)

- Court: (\$29,400)
- Transfer of a higher percentage of magistrate's personnel costs from General Fund to Court Project Special Revenue Fund
- Non-Departmental: +\$10,000
- Additional income tax estimated revenue
- Cassel Hills Pool: +\$7,932
- Net increase for SwimSafe aquatics management contract
- Parks & Rec – Admin: +\$2,800
- Background checks on volunteers

EMPLOYEE RETIREMENT RESERVE FUND: \$0

- Police Admin: +\$25,846
- Retirement expenses should have been budgeted in administration instead of operations
- Police Operations: (\$25,846)

COURT PROJECTS SPECIAL REVENUE FUND: +\$29,400

- Transfer of higher percentage of magistrate's personnel costs to Court Projects Special Revenue Fund from the General Fund

POLICE-FIRE-STREET CIP FUND: +\$71,200

- Street/Public Works: +\$32,000
- Additional costs related to Brindlestone and Marview watermain replacement projects
- Fire: +\$39,200
- Additional cost to purchase ruggedized computers versus 5-year lease

STREET FUND: +\$100,000

- Additional costs for 2020 concrete & sidewalk repair program

CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM: +\$12,000

- Emergency repair of failed compressor at Rec Center

There were no comments or questions during the public hearing. It was moved by Councilman Follick, seconded by Councilman Lewis, to approve Ordinance 20-07 in

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an emergency reading. All members present voted yes. Motion carried 7-0. Ordinance 20-07 passed in an emergency reading.

20-08 An Ordinance Approving Individual Assessments Amounts And Directing The Finance Director Or Her Designee To Certify The Amounts To The County Auditor For Collection And Declaring An Emergency. **Mr. McDonald** read Ordinance 20-08 by title in an emergency reading. **Mr. Crusey** advised this emergency ordinance assesses properties for delinquent accounts related to weed cutting, storm water, trash collection, sewer and water fees. There were no comments or questions during the public hearing. It was moved by Councilman Blakesly, seconded by Vice Mayor Ahlers, to approve Ordinance 20-08 in an emergency reading. All members present voted yes. Motion carried 7-0. Ordinance 20-08 passed in an emergency reading.

Reports from Boards and Commissions:

Board of Zoning Appeals Minutes: February 26, 2020

Planning Commission Minutes: February 25, 2020

Council reviewed the February 2020 Bill Listing in the amount of \$2,602,372.60. There were no comments on the February 2020 Bill Listing.

Council reviewed the March 2020 Bill Listing in the amount of \$2,602,810.48 with separate March 2020 Purchasing Card Detail of \$17,083.73. There were no comments on the March 2020 Bill Listing nor were there comments on the separate March 2020 Purchasing Card Detail.

Council Comments:

Mr. Crusey reminded council a special meeting adjourning to executive session will be held Tuesday, April 21 at 5:00 p.m. in the Municipal Building Council Chambers.

Councilman Lewis commented this video meeting worked very well this evening and he concluded by noting he is very pleased with the result.

Councilman Follick acknowledged Mr. Hopkins and other staff members who have continually disseminated important information to Vandalia residents through our various outlets. He recognized the 2020 City of Oakwood Water and Sewer Survey and commented that our residents should be very proud that Vandalia's combined water and sewer rates were 6th lowest out of 63 jurisdictions.

Councilman Blakesly indicated that he was also impressed with how this meeting turned out.

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Mayor Herbst also recognized staff and their work in continuing to publish important COVID-19 and other information to our residents. **Mayor Herbst** thanked staff for their efforts in putting these meetings together, and their diligence in continuing to work at a safe distance.

Executive Session

No Executive Session was held.

The regular council meeting was then adjourned at 7:22 p.m.

APPROVED:

Richard Herbst, Mayor

ATTEST:

Missy Pruszynski, Deputy Clerk of Council

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