

MINUTES OF LIMA CITY COUNCIL
LIMA, OHIO

January 2, 2018

The Council of the City of Lima met in regular session at 7:00 p.m.

Attending were: Mayor David Berger; Tony Geiger, Law Director; John Payne, Deputy Law Director; Randall Bartels, Auditor; Steven Cleaves, Finance Director; Susan Crotty; Dir. Of DCD; Mike Caprella, Dir. of Util.; Howard Elstro, Dir. of Public Works; Chief Martin, Chief Black, and Sally Clemans, Clerk.

The invocation was given by Councilor Nixon followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

The Swearing in Ceremony and the Oath of Office were given to Councilor Neeper, Councilor Dixon, Councilor Thompson and Councilor Gordon.

ROLL CALL showed the following members present: Gordon, McLean, Thompson, Kreher, Dixon, Glenn, Neeper and Nixon.

Councilor McLean moved, seconded by Gordon, to amend the agenda by adding communications 10 and 11. Motion carried.

THE FOLLOWING ITEMS WERE PRESENTED ON THE CONSENT CALENDAR:

- a. Minutes of the previous meeting not read since each received a copy.
- b. Treasurer's report for November, 2017.
- c. Bd. of Health minutes of November 3, 2017.
- d. Traffic Commission minutes of December 4, 2017.

McLean moved that item "a" of the consent calendar be received, filed, and approved and that items "b-d" be received and filed, seconded by Glenn, motion carried.

THE FOLLOWING COMMUNICATIONS WERE PRESENTED:

1. From the Auditor regarding legislation to enter into contract with Harris ERP. Moved by McLean, seconded by Gordon, that the communication be received and filed. Motion carried.

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2. From the Auditor regarding legislation to enter into contract with Perry Protec. Moved by McLean, seconded by Gordon, that the communication be received and filed. Motion carried.

3. From the Auditor regarding 2017 financial reports. Moved by McLean, seconded by Gordon, that the communication be received and filed. Motion carried.

4. From the Auditor regarding contract labor reports. Moved by McLean, seconded by Gordon, that the communication be received and filed. Motion carried.

5. From the Dir. of Comm. Dev. regarding legislation to place property maintenance assessments. Moved by Thompson, seconded by McLean, that the communication be received and filed. Motion carried.

6. From the Dir. of Utilities regarding legislation to advertise and contract for the Large Diameter Sewer Lining Project. Moved by Neeper, seconded by Dixon, that the communication be received and filed. Motion carried.

7. From the City Engineer regarding legislation to levy assessments for construction of sidewalks. Moved by Dixon, seconded by Gordon, that the communication be received and filed. Motion carried.

8. From the Dir. of Public Works regarding legislation to advertise and contract for Schoonover Dam rehabilitation and Park project. Moved by Gordon, seconded by McLean, that the communication be received and filed. Motion carried.

9. From Downtown Lima regarding 2018 funding. Moved by McLean, seconded by Gordon, that the communication be received, filed, and referred to the Finance Committee. Motion carried.

10. From the Mayor regarding the appointment of Pilate Bradley, Jr. to the Civil Service Board. Moved by Glenn, seconded by McLean, that the communication be received and filed. Motion carried.

11. From President Nixon regarding committee assignments. Moved by Kreher, seconded by Glenn, that the communication be received, filed, and approved. Motion carried.

THE FOLLOWING ORDINANCES WERE PRESENTED:

324-17 (Second Reading) Authorizing the Mayor to enter into contract for Junk Auto and Vehicle Enforcement. Moved by Thompson, seconded by McLean, that the Ordinance be placed on a third reading. Motion carried.

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001-18 Levying special assessments for property maintenance code charges on premises in the City of Lima, Ohio. Glenn moved, seconded by McLean, that the ordinance be passed on the first reading. The following vote was recorded on the motion. Yea, 8; Gordon, McLean, Thompson, Dixon, Glenn, Neeper and Nixon. Nay, none. The Chair declared the motion carried and the ordinance passes on the first reading by an 8-0 vote.

002-18 Authorizing the Mayor to enter into a three years contract with Reineke Lincoln, Inc. Neeper moved, seconded by Glenn, that the ordinance be passed on the first reading. The following vote was recorded on the motion. Yea, 8; Gordon, McLean, Thompson, Dixon, Glenn, Neeper and Nixon. Nay, none. The Chair declared the motion carried and the ordinance passes on the first reading by an 8-0 vote.

003-18 Authorizing the Mayor to enter into a three year contract with Best One Tire. Neeper moved, seconded by Glenn, that the ordinance be passed on the first reading. The following vote was recorded on the motion. Yea, 8; Gordon, McLean, Thompson, Dixon, Glenn, Neeper and Nixon. Nay, none. The Chair declared the motion carried and the ordinance passes on the first reading by an 8-0 vote.

004-18 Authorizing the Mayor to enter into contract with Harris ERP for maintenance and support of the Harris ERP Financial Management Software (Innoprise). Dixon moved, seconded by Glenn, that the ordinance be passed on the first reading. The following vote was recorded on the motion. Yea, 8; Gordon, McLean, Thompson, Dixon, Glenn, Neeper and Nixon. Nay, none. The Chair declared the motion carried and the ordinance passes on the first reading by an 8-0 vote.

005-18 Authorizing the Mayor to enter into contract with Perry Protec. McLean moved, seconded by Gordon, that the ordinance be passed on the first reading. The following vote was recorded on the motion. Yea, 8; Gordon, McLean, Thompson, Dixon, Glenn, Neeper and Nixon. Nay, none. The Chair declared the motion carried and the ordinance passes on the first reading by an 8-0 vote.

006-18 Authorizing the Mayor to enter into an Environmental Covenant with the Ohio EPA for the Williams Reservoir Wetlands. Gordon moved, seconded by McLean, that the ordinance be passed on the first reading. The following vote was recorded on the motion. Yea, 8; Gordon, McLean, Thompson, Dixon, Glenn, Neeper and Nixon. Nay, none. The Chair declared the motion carried and the ordinance passes on the first reading by an 8-0 vote.

007-18 Authorizing the Mayor to advertise for bids and enter into contract for the Large Diameter Sewer Lining Project. Gordon moved, seconded by Glenn, that the ordinance be passed on the first reading. The following vote was recorded on the motion. Yea, 8; Gordon, McLean, Thompson, Dixon, Glenn, Neeper and Nixon. Nay, none. The Chair declared the motion carried and the ordinance passes on the first reading by an 8-0 vote.

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008-17 Authorizing the Mayor to advertise for bids, enter into contracts and expend funds for the Schoonover Dam Rehabilitation and Schoonover Park Project. Thompson moved, seconded by Glenn, that the ordinance be passed on the first reading. The following vote was recorded on the motion. Yea, 8; Gordon, McLean, Thompson, Dixon, Glenn, Neeper and Nixon. Nay, none. The Chair declared the motion carried and the ordinance passes on the first reading by an 8-0 vote.

009-18 Levying special assessments for the 2017 Combined Sidewalk Project for construction of certain described sidewalks in accordance with Resolution No. 08-16, adopted, September 26, 2016. Dixon moved, seconded by Glenn, that the ordinance be passed on the first reading. The following vote was recorded on the motion. Yea, 8; Gordon, McLean, Thompson, Dixon, Glenn, Neeper and Nixon. Nay, none. The Chair declared the motion carried and the ordinance passes on the first reading by an 8-0 vote.

MISCELLANEOUS BUSINESS:

Councilor Gordon thanked his wife, family and friends for coming out tonight. Northside N/A will meet on January 15th at St. Marks Church. He said Happy Birthday to Councilor McLean. He welcomed the new Council members and said feel free to call him anytime if you have questions. He said “Be good to each other.”

Councilor McLean welcomed the new members and the old member. He said now is when the challenge comes. He said we are not always going to agree with each other, but after the vote, you go on and try to do the best for the city. He said we had some bad press in the newspaper regarding the Waffle House incident. Council is here to legislate. I can't control what people do. I am here to do a job to make the city better.

Councilor Thompson thanked everybody in the third ward for putting me here. She thanked her family for being here. She announced a Community & Economic Dev. committee meeting for Monday, January 8th at 6 p. m. to discuss the Junk Auto Enforcement. She said please stay in contact with me. We can build Lima together. She said I am really looking forward to working with the Mayor and our team.

Councilor Kreher welcomed the new members. She said thank you for graduating me from the freshman class. She said this is Randi Kohli's last meeting and I want to thank him for his many years of service to the city. He has left an excellent legacy. She said regarding the newspaper article about the Waffle House, there are a lot of people in this room invested in the youth in our city. She read a list of some organizations involved with the youth and thanked them for getting involved with our youth.

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Councilor Dixon thanked the voters and the residents of the fifth ward. He thanked his family and friends and Judge Cheney. He announced a community meeting on January 18th at New Life Assembly Church. He thanked Councilor Adams for her time and service.

Councilor Glenn welcomed the new members. He said it gets tough but you move Lima and your ward forward. He thanked people for the prayers for his Dad. He said the Young City Council raised \$500 they will be using to get people involved with the Neighborhood Associations. He said he will continue working with the Youth.

Councilor Neeper said he is grateful to the constituents of my ward. Thanks to my family for their support and to Judge Cheney for the swearing in and to the Councilors he has had discussions with. Happy Birthday to Sam. He said we are not here to legislate morality. We need to take the role of leadership.

President Nixon said the Waffle House had no role in the actions. As a local business I think everyone should go out and have a meal at the Waffle House. He said Randi Kohli has been the Officer at the Council meetings for some time. He is retiring after being a Police Officer for 35 years. He has also been involved with an Explorer Post for disabled. This is a real cop with a real heart with a real family. Thank you for your service and your help for us. Nixon moved, seconded by McLean, that we prepare a Res. Of Appreciation to Councilors Lowe, Adams and Miles. Motion carried. Have a great 2018.

McLean moved that Council adjourn until January 22, 2018 at 7:00 p.m., seconded by Glenn, motion carried.

John G. Nixon, President

Sally Clemans, Clerk