

Regular Council Meeting

Thursday, January 16, 2020

Mayor Bob Gale called the meeting to order.

Roll Call: Robert Martin Sr. present, Dr. Michael Ross absent, Randy Spence present, Gael Damron present, Jason Mattern present, Bob Merriman present.

Officials: Mayor Bob Gale present, Solicitor Christopher D. Becker absent, Fiscal Officer Denise Geanangel present, Administrator Walt Ziembra present.

Moment of Silence

Pledge of Allegiance

Reading of Minutes

Motion by Robert Martin, second by Jason Mattern to approve the minutes for January 9, 2020 Meeting.

Vote: Robert Martin yea, Randy Spence yea, Gael Damron yea, Jason Mattern yea, Bob Merriman yea.

Motion passed 5-0.

Persons Appearing Before Council

Robert Laukert representing SVRTA reported that a transport approval is pending. The Transit Authority has received a grant to purchase two new buses. There has been a decrease in riders for the City of Steubenville and Mingo Jct. and 11.4% increase for Wintersville. The Robinson route has had tremendous growth.

Reorganization

Motion by Randy Spence, second by Jason Mattern to adopt the Rules of Council.

Vote: Robert Martin yea, Randy Spence yea, Gael Damron yea, Jason Mattern yea, Bob Merriman yea.

Motion passed 5-0.

Motion by Robert Martin, second by Jason Mattern to approve the 2020 Committees.

Vote: Robert Martin yea, Randy Spence yea, Gael Damron yea, Jason Mattern yea, Bob Merriman yea.

Motion passed 5-0.

Ordinance and/or Resolution

None.

Reports & Announcements

A Proclamation Commemorating Wintersville School Choice Week as January 21st - February 1st was read by Mayor Gale.

A Proclamation Proclaiming October 24, 2019 as Clementine Berry Buchwalter and the GFWC/Ohio Federation of Women's Club day of Celebration as read by Mayor Gale. The GFWC Ohio celebrated a 125th year anniversary.

Anytime Fitness's Grand Opening is January 21, 2020 at 4:30 PM to 7:00 PM. All council is encouraged and invited to attend.

Administrator's Report

ODOT has denied the grant application for Cadiz Road. It will be applied for again next year.

Mr. Ziembra prepared the Annual Infrastructure report and reviewed it with Council.

New Business

Randy Spence thanked Mr. Ziembra for his continued hard work and proactivity.

Jason Mattern thanked Mr. Ziembra for his impressive annual report. Jason Mattern also noted the substantial increase in the cost of paving.

Robert Martin thanked Mr. Ziembra for his impressive annual report.

Mayor Gale commended Chief Fowler and his staff for their diligence in working with the super load and the arrest of the bank robber this past week.

Unfinished Business

None.

Motion by Robert Martin, second by Jason Mattern to pay bill as fund become available.

Vote: Robert Martin yea, Randy Spence yea, Gael Damron yea, Jason Mattern yea, Bob Merriman yea.

Motion passed 5-0.

Motion by Jason Mattern, second by Gael Damron to adjourn until the next council meeting on February 6, 2020.

Vote: Robert Martin yea, Randy Spence yea, Gael Damron yea, Jason Mattern yea, Bob Merriman yea.

Motion passed 5-0.

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Denise Geanangel
Fiscal Officer

Robert Gale
Mayor