

MINUTES REGULAR MEETING  
REYNOLDSBURG CITY COUNCIL  
March 25, 2019

President Pro Tempore Barth R. Cotner called the meeting to order at 8:44 PM

PRESENT: Joseph, Clemens, Cotner, Luzader, Spalding, Baker, Bryant, Skinner

ABSENT:

Approval of Minutes

- a. City Council – Regular Meeting – March 11, 2019

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| <b>RESULT:</b> | <b>ACCEPTED</b> |
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Approval of Agenda

Motion to add as item 11 c ORDINANCE TO AMEND THE CODE OF ORDINANCES OF THE CITY OF REYNOLDSBURG, OHIO: Enacting Section 1171.09 Wireless Facilities and Support Structures of Chapter 1171 General Regulations; AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

Second by Mr. Spalding. All voted Aye by voice vote. Motion Carried.

Community Comments and Requests

Keith Benner, 1200 Creekside Place: I think that it's encouraging that in the last 6 months or so that I've been following Council, Councilman Baker, Councilwoman Bryant, Councilman Luzader have all brought ideas to the city. All of them with the intent that it would benefit the city in some way and make Reynoldsburg a better place. I think that's awesome. I supported Councilman Baker's initiative, it went nowhere. I did not support Councilwoman Bryant's and I really was ambivalent about yours, but I still like that Council is being proactive and not waiting for the Mayor to ask for things and not just approving pick up trucks and playgrounds, they're trying to think. I think you might be more effective if you get out into the public. I see you all at rotary clubs and the Democratic gang and Republican gang meetings, but I've not seen my Councilman, I don't want to name names, but in my area other than the day he knocked on my door and asked me to vote for him. I don't know if you hold open hours, I don't know if you go door to door, it's unfortunate, but we don't have much of an audience here. Again, we have politicians all over the place, or would-be politicians, but not a lot of citizens, so how do you know you're representing the people you represent? You're not finding it out at the Rotary Club. This is a big building and, maybe the public won't come, I don't know, but I would like to see you try and I would like to see some legislation done. I've met with City Attorney Jed Hood, I've met with the Development Director, I've met with the Service Director and the Building Manager, just to find out how the city works or doesn't. I'm going to meet with the Police Chief this week, just to see, I'd like to see how things work. Something I would like to see thought of, Reynoldsburg is an old city. Our subdivisions are old, Brookside, Huber, Briarcliff, Marabar, old Red Fox area, they were all at a time when they were single car driveways and you cannot drive through our neighborhoods without weaving in and out of parked cars. I would be quite a complex piece of legislation, I don't know if we can do it or not, but it's not safe. Nobody, I believe by law Chief, the people that if cars on your side, you're supposed to

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wait and give right of way to the one that doesn't have a car parked. But, there's got to be a way without making it terribly hard on the population to make it better and it would actually do something for the residents here, it would make getting through our neighborhoods, it would make it much more navigable if that's something you could do. And I'm, and this is not an indictment of our current Service Department, but Code Enforcement has got to get better and everyone I've talked to independently understands that including the Service Director. They're doing what they can with what they have. The 2 young men that go out and try to do that job, are dedicated young men and good people, I know one of them personally, but where's the money. We have money for trucks, money for playgrounds, this city needs a face lift. It needs it bad. And we're not, I don't see anything moving in that direction. I took four pictures before I came tonight of houses with gutters falling off, ATVs parked in the front yard along with an assortment of other items, these are things that we need to clean up. This is our reputation, this is what people driving through here see and think of us. I'm a real estate agent and I went to see a couple of houses this weekend that a human shouldn't live in and they were recently, I understand, whatever the city does, you're not allowed to live in them any more but nothing lives in those but raccoons. But that's a shame in this city that that's what happens. So, that's why I'm here. We use for code enforcement the International Property Maintenance Code book, according to 1711 I believe it's the 2003 edition though I believe we're using the 2015 edition. We kind of pick and choose what we want to do out of it. I would like to see a Citizen Council Committee formed to maybe address the exceptions to 1711 and see if we can come up with something that would cause undue burden on some of our elderly citizens that maybe can't keep their houses painted as they should be, but do something to have specific parameters for these code people to look at and understand. When you're doing it from a giant book and if you've seen IPMC, it's a pretty, it's a pamphlet not a book, but still it's pretty good size and a lot of reading in there and a lot of it doesn't apply, it's plumbing code and electrical code and things of that nature that are important but not esthetically important to the city. So those are the challenges I have, I would also like, it's my understanding that the Committee Council can at any point in time that they deem fit, call for a Charter Commission. And I would like, I mentioned gangs earlier, I would like to see the Charter Commission called and I would like to see us seriously think about making our politics here in Reynoldsburg non partisan. There is absolutely no reason why your allegiance should be to any body but the citizens of this city. It's not national politics, some of you may hope to be a municipal judge some day, or whatever, but that's not why you're here, it shouldn't be. And I don't think you have to have a tag that says R or D to be able to do that. I would be very much in favor of non-partisan elections, I would like to see you work together a lot more than you do. If you write legislation, and you only write it with the City Attorney, you have no idea what the other members said. A wise Council member once told me if you want to get something passed in this city you've got to have 4 votes which means talk to one another. Decide whether you really have a problem and if you're solution is the right solution and I've way passed my 3 minutes but I love this city, I appreciate what you guys have been doing, I appreciate your service and I hope you'll take some of my suggestions seriously. Thanks.

Communications

AUDITOR'S REPORTS, JANUARY, 2019

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The Clerk read the Budget by Classification and Departmental Budget for January 2019 into the minutes.

Reports

None.

LEGISLATION FOR EMERGENCY ADOPTION

**40-19**

ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING MAYOR TO PURCHASE ONE (1) POLICE CRUISER AND RELATED EQUIPMENT FOR THE REYNOLDSBURG POLICE DEPARTMENT; APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR; AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY. --- Clemens. Public Safety, Law and Courts Committee.

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| <b>RESULT:</b>   | <b>ADOPTED [UNANIMOUS]</b>                                 |
| <b>MOVER:</b>    | Mel Clemens, Ward 4 Councilmember                          |
| <b>SECONDER:</b> | Marshall Spalding, Ward 3 Councilmember                    |
| <b>AYES:</b>     | Clemens, Cotner, Luzader, Spalding, Baker, Bryant, Skinner |

**41-19**

ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO ENTER INTO CONTRACT WITH OHM FOR THE ENGINEERING, PLANS, BID DOCUMENTS, AND CONSTRUCTION ADMINISTRATION FOR THE LANCASTER AND MAIN PARKING LOT--PHASE 2, APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFORE, AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY. --- Luzader. Public Service and Transportation Committee.

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| <b>RESULT:</b>   | <b>ADOPTED [UNANIMOUS]</b>                                 |
| <b>MOVER:</b>    | Brett Luzader, Ward 2 Councilmember                        |
| <b>SECONDER:</b> | Stacie Baker, At-Large Councilmember                       |
| <b>AYES:</b>     | Clemens, Cotner, Luzader, Spalding, Baker, Bryant, Skinner |

LEGISLATION FOR FIRST READING

ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO ENTER INTO A CONTRACT WITH GUIDE STUDIO FOR MARKETING AND BRANDING SERVICES. --- Spalding. Development, Parks and Recreation Committee.

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**RESULT:                    REFERRED TO COMMITTEE**

**Next: 4/8/2019 7:30 PM**

ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO ENTER INTO CONTRACT WITH EMH&T FOR THE ENGINEERING, PLANS, ADVERTISING, AND TO PREPARE BID DOCUMENTS FOR JFK PARK IMPROVEMENTS AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFORE. --- Spalding. Development, Parks and Recreation Committee.

**RESULT:                    REFERRED TO COMMITTEE**

**Next: 4/8/2019 7:30 PM**

ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING MAYOR TO PURCHASE A 2019 FORD TRANSIT T-250 AND RELATED EQUIPMENT FOR THE REYNOLDSBURG POLICE DEPARTMENT. --- Clemens. Public Safety, Law and Courts Committee.

**RESULT:                    REFERRED TO COMMITTEE**

**Next: 4/8/2019 7:31 PM**

ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO ENTER INTO CONTRACT WITH PYROTECNICO FOR THE 2019 FIREWORKS DISPLAY. --- Luzader. Public Service and Transportation Committee.

**RESULT:                    REFERRED TO COMMITTEE**

**Next: 4/8/2019 7:32 PM**

ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO PURCHASE FROM THE SOLID WASTE AUTHORITY OF CENTRAL OHIO (SWACO) RECYCLING CARTS; APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR; AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY. --- Luzader. Public Service and Transportation Committee.

**RESULT:                    REFERRED TO COMMITTEE**

**Next: 4/8/2019 7:32 PM**

ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO PURCHASE FROM TOTER RECYCLING CARTS; APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR; AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY. --- Luzader. Public Service and Transportation Committee.

**RESULT:                    REFERRED TO COMMITTEE**

**Next: 4/8/2019 7:32 PM**

LEGISLATION FOR SECOND READING

A RESOLUTION TO WAIVE THE PROVISION OF SECTION 971.16 OF THE CITY'S CODIFIED ORDINANCES FOR THE 2019 REYNOLDSBURG FARMERS' MARKET. --  
- Spalding. Development, Parks and Recreation Committee.

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| <b>RESULT:</b> | <b>REFERRED TO COMMITTEE</b> | <b>Next: 4/8/2019 7:30 PM</b> |
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A RESOLUTION TO WAIVE THE PROVISION OF SECTION 971.16 OF THE CITY'S CODIFIED ORDINANCES FOR THE 2019 TOMATO FESTIVAL. --- Spalding. Development, Parks and Recreation Committee.

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| <b>RESULT:</b> | <b>REFERRED TO COMMITTEE</b> | <b>Next: 4/8/2019 7:30 PM</b> |
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ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO ENTER INTO A CONTRACT WITH LOGICALIS FOR THE PURCHASE OF A CISCO PHONE SYSTEM. --- Cotner. Finance and Administration Committee.

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| <b>RESULT:</b> | <b>REFERRED TO COMMITTEE</b> | <b>Next: 4/8/2019 7:33 PM</b> |
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LEGISLATION FOR THIRD READING

**42-19**

ORDINANCE APPROPRIATING FUNDS FROM UNAPPROPRIATED GENERAL FUND TO AN ACCOUNT IN THE PARKS & RECREATION DEPARTMENT --- Spalding. Development, Parks and Recreation Committee.

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| <b>RESULT:</b>   | <b>ADOPTED [UNANIMOUS]</b>                                 |
| <b>MOVER:</b>    | Marshall Spalding, Ward 3 Councilmember                    |
| <b>SECONDER:</b> | Caleb Skinner, Ward 1 Councilmember                        |
| <b>AYES:</b>     | Clemens, Cotner, Luzader, Spalding, Baker, Bryant, Skinner |

**43-19**

ORDINANCE APPROPRIATING FUNDS FROM UNAPPROPRIATED GENERAL FUND TO AN ACCOUNT IN THE POLICE DEPARTMENT. --- Clemens. Public Safety, Law and Courts Committee.

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| <b>RESULT:</b>   | <b>ADOPTED AS AMENDED [UNANIMOUS]</b>                      |
| <b>MOVER:</b>    | Mel Clemens, Ward 4 Councilmember                          |
| <b>SECONDER:</b> | Kristin Bryant, At-Large Councilmember                     |
| <b>AYES:</b>     | Clemens, Cotner, Luzader, Spalding, Baker, Bryant, Skinner |

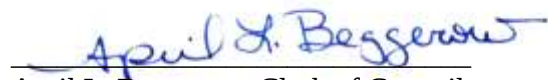
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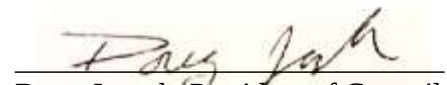
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ORDINANCE TO AMEND THE CODE OF ORDINANCES OF THE CITY OF REYNOLDSBURG, OHIO: ENACTING SECTION 1171.09 WIRELESS FACILITIES AND SUPPORT STRUCTURES OF CHAPTER 1171 GENERAL REGULATIONS; AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY. (HELD FROM 3/11/2019). --- Spalding. Development, Parks and Recreation Committee.

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| <b>RESULT:</b>   | <b>ADOPTED [UNANIMOUS]</b>                                 |
| <b>MOVER:</b>    | Marshall Spalding, Ward 3 Councilmember                    |
| <b>SECONDER:</b> | Stacie Baker, At-Large Councilmember                       |
| <b>AYES:</b>     | Clemens, Cotner, Luzader, Spalding, Baker, Bryant, Skinner |

Adjournment

  
April L. Beggerow, Clerk of Council

  
Doug Joseph, President of Council