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REYNOLDSBURG CITY COUNCIL
January 8, 2018

President Doug Joseph called the meeting to order at 6:30 PM

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

ABSENT:

Approval of Agenda

Agenda stands approved.

Executive Session to Discuss the Appointment of a Public Official

Motion to enter into Executive Session by Mr. Spalding, 2nd by Ms. Bryant.

Mr. Cotner: Given the nature that we've had some changes and confusion on how this process is going to take place. I've talked to several other Council members about this that I would like to see us conduct these interviews here. I don't feel comfortable going to Executive Session with the interviews. I think that it's something that we can do and bring the candidates forward and allow that to be out here in the public forum so that everybody can be a part of that process.

Mr. Clemens: I haven't thought about that, but I have no problem with it. It sounds alright to me if the majority wants to do that.

Mr. Luzader: I don't see a problem with that.

Mr. Joseph: Mr. Spalding, any problem with that?

Mr. Spalding: No.

Mr. Joseph: Alright, in that case, request that you vote no on this motion and then we'll conduct those interviews right here. Would you please call the roll please?

Ms. Beggerow: Mr. Baker

Mr. Baker: Aye

Ms. Beggerow: We're calling the vote on the motion to...

Mr. Joseph: On going to executive session. To decline that we need four no votes on that.

Ms. Beggerow: Mr. Baker

Mr. Baker: Yes

Mr. Joseph: No, you want to be Nay if you want...

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Mr. Baker: Aye

Mr. Joseph: Well, nay.

Mr. Baker: Oh, nay.

Mr. Hood: Councilman Baker, the motion is made in the positive to go to executive session. If you'd like to go to executive session and discuss the public appointment of an official then you may vote Aye. If you do not want to go to executive session to discuss the appointment of a public official then you would like to do it in the open meeting you vote Nay. Do you understand sir?

Mr. Baker: Yes sir, I understand.

The Clerk called the roll as follows:

Baker: Nay

Bryant: Nay

Luzader: Nay

Spalding: Nay

Clemens: Nay

Cotner: Nay

Mr. Joseph: We will not go to executive session to discuss the appointment of this individual. We will begin with that in open session.

Motions

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Mr. Joseph: We will start with Mack Quesenberry. Is he here? If you could please come up to the microphone. If you could please let Council know why you're interested in this position, what you'd like to see, your role if you were to be appointed, and anything else you want to add to it and we can open up for questions at that point.

Mack Quesenberry: I've lived in Reynoldsburg since 1981. I've had 6 children go through Reynoldsburg School District. I've participated in the Youth Sports here as a Coach. I've also participated as an adult playing softball. I've got many years invested in the community and so do my children and now I also have 15 grand-children. Four of them go to Reynoldsburg. My wife just won school board and she's also a Principal, so that's why she wanted to go there to influence that part of it for the children. To help make the city better for the children and get people to come to the City. I myself got interested from her and the recent year and a half we've had campaign. I thought, alright, this might be something I want to do. I'm getting closer to retirement. I work for the UFCW. Local 1059. I'm a Union Rep. I travel. Right now my territory was 33 to Athens and now I'll be going to Toledo. My part of the reason of wanting to run for the open season was primarily to help the Council here. Do things to benefit

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Reynoldsburg with whatever ideas we have. I mentioned a few ideas. Let's do something to draw more people to Reynoldsburg. Whether it be activities for children, activities for adults, and I'd like to be a part of helping and seeing that go forward. That's the main reason. Help the city. Get people to come back to Reynoldsburg. It was a great place for me to raise my kids and my grand-children are here, some of them, and I want more people to come. I want it to be the city it was years ago. So many people look forward to coming to it, not moving away from.

Ms. Bryant: Mr. Quesenberry, what do you think as a candidate that you can bring to the table that's not already present here?

Mack Quesenberry: The benefit that I think I can bring is a fair and impartial decision on things. It wouldn't necessarily be a partisan decision. For me, being a Union Rep, I weigh both sides of everything. That's the logic I've had with my children too. My children weren't always right and I'm one of the parents that can see that they're not always right. So, the same thing here. If there's a tough issue I can vote responsibly on it and help with that decision making.

Mr. Baker: What do you see as the biggest issue in Ward 1? Since you would be representing Ward 1. Each Ward has a different issue. What is the specific issue that you would want to deal with for Ward 1?

Mack Quesenberry: I'm not very familiar with any particular issues. My issue is more geared toward family. I live right on Lancaster Ave. My territory is down 33. One of the things I've mentioned, I would like to see, not that I want to give up more of my yard, but Diley Road has a hunormous walking bike path and there are tons of people on it all the time and I would like to see something like that go down Lancaster from Civic. The city owns, has an ease-way that runs between the house next to me. Maybe a bridge there for a walking path that can connect to JFK, which then connects to the rest of it. Stuff like that that makes people want to come out to the city. I don't know all of the logistics, but even, I have the Blacklick Creek that runs behind my house. If we could do something at Civic where we could do like a livery for canoes and they can end up at one of our other parks here, canoeing down the creek. That's something that would draw families here for the weekend. That would draw money for the businesses that are here and ultimately I think helps the city. Having people want to come here for that type of stuff. That's a very low cost type of thing.

Mr. Cotner: This may be the couple of things you just mentioned about the Ward 1 issue. Might have already answered this but, just to give you another opportunity to possibly elaborate. What would be maybe your two or three priorities for the city as a whole and then more importantly how would you like to see those accomplished?

Mack Quesenberry: Well, for the city, I'd like to see us drawing more businesses in here and having less vacant property. Again, I'm not sure of the laws on that, whether it would be taking the businesses that have sat empty for years and increase the tax on them or something. If we've issued a lower tax for moving here and then they move out or say like a Schottenstein owns a business. You can't let that sit empty over a certain period of time. If you do, it's going to have a

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higher tax value on it. Something to that. Again, like I said, I'm not sure of those type of laws or anything. It's just an idea. Implement people wanting to come here. Businesses wanting to come here. Businesses wanting to stay here. I'm not saying that you guys haven't done that. I'm just saying that we do have a lot of vacant properties sitting around and we need to fill that with something and get some type of incentive to fill it and then on the other hand if they don't stay there's going to be some detriment. If they own the property we can't just let it sit vacant.

Mr. Joseph: Next would be Patricia Starling. If you could come up to the microphone please. Tell us a little bit about yourself. Why you'd like to serve on Council and name some things you'd like to see accomplished if you receive the appointment.

Patricia Starling: Wow, this is out of my comfort zone. Good evening everybody. I am Pat Starling. I have lived in Reynoldsburg for 32 years. I've worked for Reynoldsburg City Schools for 28 years. I was the school secretary at Hannah Ashton. Again, this is a little out of my comfort zone, but I think I can do it. My heart's in Reynoldsburg. I love the direction that Reynoldsburg's going in now with the new Rec Center and the Downtown District and I just think you all have done a great job to improve the community in passing Issue 11. That's why I'd like to be a part of this.

Mr. Spalding: Pat, you mentioned that you volunteered for Issue 11. What did you do for Issue 11?

Patricia Starling: I didn't say I volunteered for it. I just commend you all for all the hard work that you have done in getting that Issue passed.

Mr. Spalding: Alright. Ok. Thank you.

Ms. Bryant: What have you done outside of the schools?

Patricia Starling: What have I done outside of the schools? Right now I'm retired and I'm a grandma and nothing really outside of the schools.

Ms. Bryant: What prompted you to throw your hat in the ring?

Patricia Starling: Again, like I said, this is out of my comfort zone, but I love the direction again that the city is going in. I own a home in Reynoldsburg. My son is a firefighter for Truro Twp. My daughter works at Hannah Ashton. I have a grand-daughter that goes to Summit Elementary School. Reynoldsburg is where we live. I want to continue to improve and see Reynoldsburg improve.

Mr. Luzader: Along some of the same lines that we asked Mr. Quesenberry, what would be one or two of your top ideas for improving Ward 1 or Reynoldsburg as a whole?

Patricia Starling: Just again, street improvement, code violations, keep an eye on things like that.

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Permit violations.

Mr. Joseph: Next, Shanette Strickland. If you could please come up to the microphone. Tell us a little bit about yourself, why you'd like to serve on Council, and maybe some things you'd like to see done if you receive the appointment.

Shanette Strickland: Good evening. My name is Shanette Strickland. I live at 651 Mirandy Place. I just wanted to be a part of the campaign. I've been here in Reynoldsburg since 2006. I've had two young men. One just graduated from Reynoldsburg in 2017, *inaudible University of Philly, playing football. I'll probably have a sophomore that goes to the Summit location and plays football and basketball. My husband and I have been involved with Reynoldsburg ever since our kids played sports. Currently, I serve on Reynoldsburg Football Parent Association as the Treasurer, so we have for the longest gave back to Reynoldsburg. One of the reasons why I'm deciding that I want to be a part of this, run for City Council Ward 1, I want to be a part of the change. I want to walk with City Council to make sure that we are really delivering for the community. That's one of the big reasons why I decided that I wanted to join the City Council. For the last year, I was involved with RAD. Making sure that I got out here and knock on doors. Making sure people were aware of what was going on here in City Council. Making sure that people's voices were heard. Again, that's some of the reasons why I'm running to be a part of City Council.

Mr. Luzader: A couple times you referred to the change. Exactly what change are you?

Shanette Strickland: Issue 11 passing. Being a part of, having some ideas, seeing what we can do to improve. Again, it goes back to the family. How are we going to bring businesses here in Reynoldsburg. Those are some of the changes that I want to be a part of. No longer can I just sit back and not do anything. I want to be a part of the change to make sure that we are bringing families here, opportunities here to make sure that we improve Reynoldsburg as a whole.

Mr. Spalding: In your resume, which was very good by the way, one of the organizations you said that you're involved with is CHARMS. I'm not that familiar with that. Tell us a little bit about that.

Shanette Strickland: I'm involved in a few different organizations. One of them is CHARMS. CHARMS is a civic, social organization that helps the communities out. That's what I do. I go out to the community, show my time, my commitment to make sure that everyone is involved with what's going on in their community that has to deal with passing out item, doing for the homeless, if it has to go to do with making sure people are aware of their economic development. We hold different classes to that nature. I'm also involved with one of another organization Delta Sigma Sorority. It's where we give back to different communities. I've been a part of that for the last three years. I've worked hard to make sure that people are aware of different opportunities that's out here for their children, their families, and also making sure that people are growing at economically educational wise.

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Mr. Baker: Basically, it's going to be the same question I was asking Mr. Quesenberry and Ms. Starling. What issue do you think is the one that most impacts Ward 1? What issue is the one that you would like to be the driving force?

Shanette Strickland: It's not so much about issue, but what some of the things I would like to see happen. I know that we are about to build the new Kroger right there on Main Street. I want to make sure that, you know, how it's going to impact the communities there. Do we need to improve infrastructure? Is there safety there that we need to take into consideration? Those are some of the things that I want to make sure that I'm involved in and have those conversations along with City Council, so we can make sure that we thought through that. I forgot to tell you I am an IT Project Manager. Being a Project Manager is having to be strategic, being able to communicate, being able to negotiate when things get tough and be able to come to a consensus and how we can work together and move the community forward. That's something that I'll be able to bring here to Reynoldsburg.

Mr. Bryant: Based upon your resume, I see you've got a Master's Degree, your undergraduate education and your Master Degree. How do you see that enhancing your ability to play a role on City Council?

Shanette Strickland: Again, when you've been a MBA you have to have those certain leadership qualities to make sure that things are, your leading by example, making sure that you're able to bring a group of people along. To be able to influence people. Again, that's something I'll be able to bring to City Council. One of my biggest strengths are is communication, being able to work together as a team, being able to handle tough situations, make decisions.

Mr. Cotner: My same question again is a couple of your top priorities, two or three, some of your main goals and how would you see being able to accomplish those?

Shanette Strickland: My top priority is not just for my kids, but every kid here that lives in Reynoldsburg, every family that lives here in Reynoldsburg. Making sure that people want to come here and move and build a family. To make sure they want to give back to Reynoldsburg. Making sure that we bring businesses here to Reynoldsburg. Those are my top priorities. Family is number one because that's what's important to me. I know as a child growing up, I can't do it all on my own, so I need a group of people to help me along the way. How am I do that? Having communication, being open, being able to talk to people, being there to collaborate with people and again having honest conversations when need be and being able to make sure that at the end of the day we all working to make Reynoldsburg a better place to live and have their families here and that's what I can do.

Mr. Joseph: Our last applicant is Caleb Skinner. If you could please come up to the microphone. Tell us a little bit about yourself. Why you want to serve on council. Maybe some things you'd like to do if you get appointed to the Ward 1.

Caleb Skinner: My name is Caleb Skinner. I am currently serving in the Ohio Air National

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Guard, as well as this spring semester going back to school at Columbus State to pursue and finish my degree in Business Management from there. I've been involved in the city for about 14 years now. My family's had a fair share of hardships in those 14 years. There was several times where my father was injured and unable to work and the people of this city that were there at the hospital when we were there, when we needed help, and it was the people of this city that made sure that our bills were paid on time when they needed to be and when we experienced losses, the people of this community, that were there comforting us, and I say all of that to give you an idea of why I want to run. This city is really shown me what a community is supposed to be like. It's shown me how we are to treat others and how we are to love and take care of each other and it is fostered in me an environment or rather a passion and a love and a desire for this city, for service, and to try and give back in whatever way I can. It is for that reason that I ran 2 years ago for this seat. It's that reason that I joined the Air Force and it's that reason I'm standing here before you now. I want to be able to give back to the people that have given me and my family so much and have taught me so much about life and how to train others.

Mr. Spalding: Caleb, is it two years ago you ran for a position?

Caleb Skinner: Yes sir.

Mr. Spalding: And you lost right?

Caleb Skinner: I did, yes.

Mr. Spalding: I just say that because it is hard to turn around and run again. It really is, but it takes some gumption to do that. You've also done some other campaigns other than just your own. As I recall, you've worked in a whole lot of other people. Tell me about some of those.

Caleb Skinner: Yes sir. I've been involved in campaigning for about 5 - 6 years now. I've helped judges and of course my brother Dan Skinner. He was probably the one that I was involved in the most. He was the one that had the most influence I think on me running. We did a lot of door to door. It was a lot of planning. There was a lot of hard work. A lot of dedication. I've probably worked on, I haven't counted them, but I think I've worked on at least half a dozen campaigns in and around the city, just locally, including of course, running my own 2 years ago.

Mr. Spalding: Also, thank you for your service. I appreciate it.

Caleb Skinner: I appreciate the support.

Ms. Bryant: We've heard from your competitors tonight. What do you think that you can bring to the table that they can't.

Caleb Skinner: I'm a little bit lacking in the experience department it looks like from the years wise/age wise, but I think I can bring to this wonderful group of people here before me some fresh perspectives, some new ideas that come from the next generation and I think I can bring

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into this room what the next citizens of Reynoldsburg want to see in this city. I think I can bring fresh perspective and a new energy of revision to the City Council and to this room. I think that's probably the biggest thing I can bring here.

Mr. Luzader: You said that you've been involved in the city for about 14 years. Could you give us some examples of exactly what you have done in the way of helping the city instead of just working on different campaigns.

Caleb Skinner: Being involved in the city, by that I mean, I've been about 14 years ago my family and I started going to Reynoldsburg Baptist Church off Rosehill Road. From there I was immediately involved in teaching the younger generation there, children's church, I'm sure were all familiar with how Baptist Churches are run, teaching in children's churches and vacation Bible schools, things of that nature at the church and I did that for several years. I've also walked in the parade several times, as well as worked at the Tomato Festival, unfortunately not with the festival, but just working there for other people, but I've been there and working the festival and the parade. A lot of community events with the church. A low lacking compared to some of these other people that have been here, but I'm excited and eager to find out new ways that I can serve and ways that I can be involved in the future and dedicate my time and energy to.

Mr. Baker: I'm going to ask you the same questions that I asked the other competitors. What issue basically triggered you to want to apply for this, you want to run, the impact that you can have? Because everybody has a drive that want to do something. What is it yours?

Caleb Skinner: This is something that I've wanted to do for a long time, but this continued. Issue 11 passing was a big thing. A lot of people I know, the major issue that I'm coming across when I talk to individuals is, how are my tax dollars going to be spent? Because you're taking a little more of them now. The biggest thing that they want to see and that I think the city is facing is we've promised them a community center, a good community center, and I think that we owe it to them to make sure that the community center has all that it needs to succeed. I think part of that and no small part of that is security. To that end I'm in favor of increasing the police force and making sure that they have the equipment and personnel that they need to be able to provide a safe community and I also believe in ease accessibility for the businesses here and I'm in favor of also increasing the roads budget to compensate for some of the damages over the years and the lack of attention that its received. To be able to get the city up and running and running smoothly. Beautifying the city. It's the job of Council to create a city to foster an environment to bring in businesses. We can't bring in businesses on our own, but we can create an environment for industry to come in here and I certainly like to see some of the vacant lots around here developed. I think the city has a lot of potential and I'd like to see that come to fruition.

Mr. Cotner: You kind of answered the question that I keep asking, which is fine. If you want to elaborate more on any of your top goals and how you'd accomplish it is fine, but again, I think you may have hit that in your last answer, but one of the things you also commented in there and I'd like you to maybe elaborate on is you said, create an atmosphere for businesses and

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environment for businesses. What do you think Council can do in that nature that's going to help businesses succeed and filling store fronts? Kind of two questions and whichever direction you want to go with that.

Caleb Skinner: I think it's all kind of a circle of life when you get security, roads, infrastructure. All that comes together. I think we have an opportunity with the community center coming in. It gives us kind of a point to build off of. It's right there by downtown. I think that in itself is an incentive for businesses to come in. Smaller businesses like to be around a bigger business. I think the security is big. People want to feel safe. Roadways they want to be able to drive down the road without worrying about their suspension getting shot on a pot hole. This is Ohio, I know, pot holes are our thing, but I think we can do a little better to minimize that in the city. I think it's just a big circle. I think everybody scratches each other's backs and I think that's how the environment is created. I think security, infrastructure, and having a focal point of where people can build off of I think is what we should shoot for here.

Mr. Joseph: Council has had a chance to hear the four applicants. Councils had a chance to ask some questions. Does Council feel comfortable with what we've heard or do you feel we need to go to executive session for further discussion?

Mr. Clemens: Could you repeat that?

Mr. Joseph: What I said is we've heard from the candidates. We've asked them questions and what I would like to know is if Council would like to go to executive session and have additional discussion or have you heard everything you need to hear about the candidate?

Mr. Cotner: I'm fine with discussion, but I'm still fine with discussion here in the public is my preference.

Mr. Joseph: Ok. Alright, we can continue discussion here.

Mr. Clemens: My big thing is in as I listened and really is what can you do for the families in Reynoldsburg. That's my big issue. Not the businesses because that's being handled. We handle that. I thought Mr. Quesenberry hit it really on the head, safety, and our children, and our families are our the big thing in Reynoldsburg. I think that the people we interviewed, most of them, and I think most of them mentioned that, so I think that, by listening to that, and I'm not interested in how many organizations you belong to and what your resume is and how long it is and how many college degrees you have and anything like that. I'm interested in the people that live in Reynoldsburg and what we do for them and their families to make it better. My vote will be to who I think will do the job. I think we have four good candidates. I think that they mention it, but I've mentioned what I think the important part to me is. That's how I'll base my vote.

Mr. Baker: I agree with Mel that families here in Reynoldsburg are the important part. They're the backbone of any community, whether it's a large city or small village, so I do agree with Mel

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in that. We do have all four of the candidates that came up, did represent themselves well, did handle some of those points and I think either one of them could be a great Councilman in my perspective.

Mr. Cotner: I called and spoke to each of them and had great conversations one on one and again, I thank you for the time that you spent with that and here tonight. I think that we need somebody that's ready to step in and know the community and is able to start working early on. I do agree that there's value of community connection. I think having somebody that is very in tune with. First thing I, again I had a great discussion with Mr. Quesenberry, really enjoyed that. I'd like to add that I also had a great conversation with Ms. Starling and again, no offense to the others. It was fantastic. Again, I enjoyed talking to you, but I think again I loved the idea of someone like those two leaders that stepped up and said hey, I'm ready to serve right now and I think with Ms. Starling's connections through the schools and the leadership that she'd taken in in schools through all the years is a great thing and with Mr. Quesenberry talking, again, knowing his connection and deep roots in the community I think we've got a, in my opinion a couple of good choices in those two.

Mr. Joseph: Seeing no additional discussion, Councilman Bryant would you like to make a motion?

Ms. Bryant: I move that Shanette Strickland be appointed to fill the Council Ward 1 position.

Mr. Joseph: Is there a second for that?

Mr. Baker: Second.

Mr. Joseph: Mr. Baker seconds that. Questions or comments? Would the Clerk please call the roll on this motion?

Ms. Beggerow:
Mr. Baker - Aye
Ms. Bryant - Aye
Mr. Luzader - Nay
Mr. Spalding - Nay
Mr. Clemens - Nay
Mr. Cotner - Nay

Mr. Joseph: That's 2 affirmative votes and 4 negative votes. This appointment is not confirmed. Mr. Spalding, would you like to make a motion?

Mr. Spalding: I'd like to move for Caleb Skinner to be appointed to the Ward 1 position.

Mr. Joseph: Is there a second?

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Ms. Bryant: I'll second.

Mr. Joseph: Second by Councilman Bryant. Questions or comments? Would the Clerk please call the roll on this nominee?

Ms. Beggerow:
Mr. Baker - Aye
Ms. Bryant - Aye
Mr. Luzader - Nay
Mr. Spalding - Aye
Mr. Clemens - Nay
Mr. Cotner - Nay

Mr. Joseph: There's 3 affirmative votes and 3 negative votes. I vote in favor, Aye. This appointment is confirmed. Would Mr. Skinner please come forward. I will administer the oath of office. You can participate for the rest of the evening.

Mr. Cotner: May I comment prior to the swearing in?

Mr. Joseph: I'm sorry?

Mr. Cotner: I have a question. So, this appointments confirmed. Congratulations first of all and thank you to the others. Second, I don't know how anyone else feels, but one of the other things that just hit me tonight, I don't know that any of our Council candidates have received a packet. It might be difficult for Mr. Skinner to be voting and participating in the meeting through the evening. I think that's kind of difficult to put someone into a position on the day they swear in and they come right into filling tonight. I'd like to see the swearing in and then effective at our next meeting.

Mr. Joseph: I'll just way in on that because I have personal experience. I was sworn in October 8, 2005, Monday night, right before Council began. I was sworn in. I came up and sat in my chair right there and participated in all discussions and votes. So I see nothing inappropriate of us swearing in Mr. Skinner at this time, letting him participate.

Mr. Cotner: I didn't say inappropriate.

Mr. Joseph: Ok.

Mr. Cotner: That's not what I meant to imply. I just meant readiness. That's my only concern.

Mr. Joseph: Well, I believe that all the applicants have had an opportunity to review our materials and it's all online. Have you had a chance to review materials?

Caleb Skinner: Yes sir. I did have a chance to review the whole thing, the whole agenda, and

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accompanying documents over the weekend as to tonight's agenda, but if Councilman Cotner is a valid point, hit the ground running, and if that is the will of Council then that's what they want then so be it, but I am ready to participate in tonight's meeting if that is the decision.

Mr. Hood: Thank you. The motion is effective immediately unless there's a different date specified. There was not, so the motion passed. Mr. Skinner if you take your oath you can participate as much as you choose to this evening.

Mr. Joseph swears in Mr. Caleb Skinner.

RESULT:	ADOPTED [4 TO 3]
MOVER:	Marshall Spalding, Ward III
SECONDER:	Kristin Bryant, Councilwoman
AYES:	Joseph, Spalding, Baker, Bryant
NAYS:	Clemens, Cotner, Luzader

Recess

Recess at 7:09 PM

Reconvene

Council Reconvened at 7:25 PM with all members present.

THAT APRIL L. BEGGEROW IS HEREBY APPOINTED TO SERVE AS CLERK OF COUNCIL FOR THE PERIOD BEGINNING JANUARY 8, 2018 AND ENDING WITH THE COUNCIL ORGANIZATIONAL MEETING TO BE HELD IN JANUARY 2020.

RESULT:	ADOPTED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER:	Brett Luzader, Ward II
SECONDER:	Marshall Spalding, Ward III
AYES:	Clemens, Cotner, Luzader, Spalding, Baker, Bryant, Skinner

THAT COUNCILMAN BARTH COTNER IS HEREBY APPOINTED TO SERVE AS PRESIDENT PRO TEMPORE OF COUNCIL FOR THE PERIOD BEGINNING JANUARY 8, 2018 AND ENDING WITH THE COUNCIL ORGANIZATIONAL MEETING TO BE HELD IN JANUARY 2019.

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RESULT:	ADOPTED [6 TO 0]
MOVER:	Marshall Spalding, Ward III
SECONDER:	Brett Luzader, Ward II
AYES:	Clemens, Luzader, Spalding, Baker, Bryant, Skinner
ABSTAIN:	Cotner

COUNCILMAN MARSHALL SPALDING BE APPOINTED AS THE CITY OF REYNOLDSBURG REPRESENTATIVE TO THE WEST LICKING JOINT FIRE DISTRICT BOARD FOR 2018.

RESULT:	ADOPTED [6 TO 0]
MOVER:	Stacie Baker, Councilman
SECONDER:	Caleb Skinner, Ward 1 Councilmember
AYES:	Clemens, Cotner, Luzader, Baker, Bryant, Skinner
ABSTAIN:	Spalding

MOTION THAT THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF REYNOLDSBURG DOES HEREBY RE-APPOINT STEPHEN CICAK AND JED HOOD TO SERVE ON THE VOLUNTEER PEACE OFFICERS' DEPENDENTS' FUND.

RESULT:	ADOPTED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER:	Brett Luzader, Ward II
SECONDER:	Marshall Spalding, Ward III
AYES:	Clemens, Cotner, Luzader, Spalding, Baker, Bryant, Skinner

MOTION THAT THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF REYNOLDSBURG DOES HEREBY APPOINT KRISTIN J. BRYANT TO SERVE ON THE REYNOLDSBURG POLICE COMMUNITY ADVISORY PANEL WITH A TERM OF 1 (ONE) YEAR BEGINNING JANUARY 8, 2018.

RESULT:	ADOPTED [6 TO 0]
MOVER:	Stacie Baker, Councilman
SECONDER:	Caleb Skinner, Ward 1 Councilmember
AYES:	Clemens, Cotner, Luzader, Spalding, Baker, Skinner
ABSTAIN:	Bryant

MOTION TO AMEND THE COUNCIL RULES OF PROCEDURE

MINUTES ORGANIZATIONAL MEETING
REYNOLDSBURG CITY COUNCIL
January 8, 2018

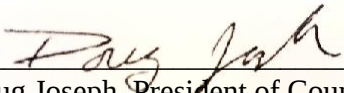
RESULT:	ADOPTED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER:	Brett Luzader, Ward II
SECONDER:	Caleb Skinner, Ward 1 Councilmember
AYES:	Clemens, Cotner, Luzader, Spalding, Baker, Bryant, Skinner

THAT THE FOLLOWING COMMITTEE MEMBERSHIP, AS RECOMMENDED BY THE PRESIDENT OF COUNCIL, IS HEREBY APPROVED TO SERVE FOR THE PERIOD BEGINNING JANUARY 8, 2018 AND ENDING DECEMBER 31, 2018:

RESULT:	ADOPTED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER:	Kristin Bryant, Councilwoman
SECONDER:	Marshall Spalding, Ward III
AYES:	Clemens, Cotner, Luzader, Spalding, Baker, Bryant, Skinner

Adjournment

Mr. Joseph adjourned at 7:33 PM.



Doug Joseph, President of Council



April L. Beggerow, Clerk of Council

City Council**Doug Joseph****7232 E. Main Street****Reynoldsburg OH 43068****Phone****MOTION REQUEST**

DATE: January 8, 2018**TO: City Council****RE: Motion to Appoint _____ to Fill the Council Ward 1
Vacancy effective January 8, 2018.**

Approval:

Brad McCloud	Jed Hood	Stephen Cicak
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Letters of Interest are attached. Resumes on File with the Clerk of Council.

November 26, 2017

Dear Ms. Beggerow,

I am writing to express interest in the soon to be vacant Ward 1 City Council position. My name is William (Mack) Quesenberry. I live at 949 Lancaster Ave. I have lived in and raised my family in Reynoldsburg since 1981. As my children were growing up, I coached in the Reynoldsburg youth softball, baseball and football programs. I also participated in the adult softball and volleyball leagues.

I am a Union Representative with the United Food and Commercial Workers Union (UFCW) Local 1059. I have been in this position for 8 years. In this position I represent union members with the enforcement of their negotiated contract. I have also been involved in the negotiation process with some of the companies that we represent. This may include problem solving, and having tough conversations with both members and management.

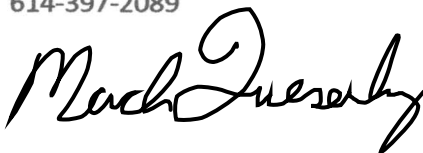
I believe our city can continue to make strides forward, as it did when I moved here, so that other families will want to raise their family here as well. Being part of City Council would be yet another way for me to give back to the community that has given so much to my family and myself. I would like to see more businesses come to Reynoldsburg and possibly occupy the vacant buildings and empty lots. I would like to see more neighborhood crime watch programs to partner with our police force in crime reduction.

With my commitment to the community and my work experience, I will be an advocate for the citizens of Reynoldsburg. I am willing and able to work with all people involved on the council and in our city with dignity, integrity and respect.

Thank you for your consideration,

Sincerely,
Mack Quesenberry

614-397-2089



Attachment: Letter of Interest (Motion to Appoint Council Ward 1 Vacancy)

Caleb M Skinner

7265 Sorrelwood Court, Reynoldsburg, Ohio 43068 | (614) 354-2514 | caleb.m.skinner@gmail.com

November 22, 2017

Reynoldsburg City Council and its Members

Dear Members of Council:

Please consider this as my official application for appointment to the soon-to-be vacant, Ward One Council seat.

I have lived in Reynoldsburg for seven years and proudly call it my home. I ran for this position in 2015 out of a deep desire to serve my community, a desire that has since only grown. In 2016 I joined the US Air Force out of the same desire to serve in some capacity. I owe a great deal to this city and its residents and am excited for the opportunity to give back to my community.

Over the years I have spoken to countless city residents from all walks of life about their concerns and how to address them. I understand the importance of this position and all that it entails, and I am confident that my experience and dedication to serve will help me fulfill its responsibilities.

Sincerely,

Caleb Skinner

Attachment: 2017-11-22 Skinner Cover (Motion to Appoint Council Ward 1 Vacancy)

November 20, 2017

President Doug Joseph
Reynoldsburg City Council
7232 Main Street
Reynoldsburg OH 43068

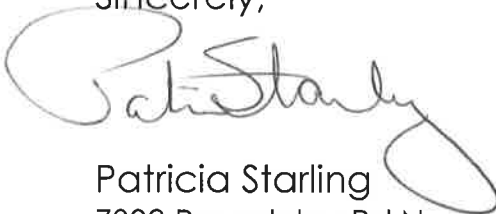
Dear Sir,

Attached in my resume for consideration to be appointed to the Ward 1 representative on Reynoldsburg City Council. I have owned a home in Reynoldsburg with my husband Tim for more than 27 years. We raised our children here and they both choose Reynoldsburg to be their home also.

I am deeply rooted and passionate about the City of Reynoldsburg. I have retired from the Reynoldsburg City School District. Myself and my family have been involved supporting students with service, teaching, coaching for nearly 4 decades. I was also a volunteer for the Issue 11 Campaign in the spring. I am anxious and look forward to serving my fellow citizens on Reynoldsburg City Council.

Please feel free to call me at your earliest convenience

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read 'Patricia Starling', with a large, stylized loop at the end.

Patricia Starling
7003 Roundelay Rd N.
Reynoldsburg OH 43068
614-595-0405

Patricia Starling

7003 Roundelay Rd N. Reynoldsburg OH 43068 • 614-595-0405

Objective

To be considered for appointment to the Reynoldsburg City Council Ward 1 seat being vacated due to the election of Stephen M. Cicak to the Office of Auditor.

Education

Northland High School
1919 Northcliff Dr.
Columbus, OH 43229
High School Degree

Experience

Reynoldsburg City School District
7244 Main Street
Reynoldsburg OH 43068

Retired after 28 years' service
Assistant to the Treasurer 3 years
Administrative Assistant 25 years at Hannah Ashton Middle School

- Duties included but not limited to management of the school office for over 400 students, including supporting staff, parents and teachers.
- Responding to requests for information
- Student Safety

About Candidate Shanette Strickland For Reynoldsburg City Council

I, Shanette Strickland, am dedicated to working for Reynoldsburg residents, focusing on economic development (good paying jobs) and making Reynoldsburg the safest possible place to live and work. I am vying for your support to become a member of City Council.

I was the first in my family to attend college. I paid my own way so I know what it means to work a plan and plan to work. With determination and perseverance, I completed my undergraduate degree at DeVry University and continued to successfully complete a MBA from Franklin University.

Working outside the home, my professional title is Strategic and Technical Project Manager. As a Strategic and Technical Project Manager, my role consists of listening, mitigating, responding quickly, and delivering results in a changing, fast-paced environment. These skills have been enhanced throughout my career and personal life, and position me to serve the citizens of Reynoldsburg, well.

Married for 17 years to my college sweetheart, Chris and I have two boys, Chris and Shon. We have lived in Reynoldsburg since 2006. Our family decided to live in Reynoldsburg because of the caliber of the school system and the close-knit community.

Throughout the years we have been actively involved in the community. From volunteering in community-led events to coaching and supporting our sons' sports team. We have served behind the scenes and led in the forefront. Currently, I'm a board member and serve as treasurer of the Reynoldsburg Football Parent Association (RFPA). This organization is fully led by volunteers to raise money to support the Reynoldsburg football program. Prior to becoming treasurer, I coordinated volunteers, secured donations for team meals and served as parent liaison.

Leadership and service is my passion and core. I hold several leadership positions in other organizations around Columbus. I am a member of the Columbus Alumnae Chapter of Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Inc, a public service organization. As a part of the chapter, I serve as an advisor to a collegiate chapter, Epsilon Iota, at Ohio University. Additionally, I am the co-chair for EMBODI, a young male mentor

group, serving the metro area of Columbus including surrounding communities like Reynoldsburg.

Another organization that I am a member of is Charms, Inc. It's a national social, civic and cultural organization to maintain high cultural standards, to encourage civic improvement, and provide social activities. Currently, I am an audit committee member.

I stretched my political knowledge by attending City Council meetings and discovered a new part of my passion for serving... Serving my community via government. It is important to me that government and the policies made represent the entire community and not just a certain area of town or socio-economic background.

As a Council member, I pledge to make this a city of winners. I am looking to continue to build upon already successful city programs and turn vacant and/or abandoned properties into productive areas. I want to work with our Police Chief to bring the police force closer to the residents so everyone understands that we all are on the same team. That's how we move forward! That's how we can make Reynoldsburg a better city!

"Sometimes it takes ordinary people to do extraordinary things to make a difference," and that's why I am running for Reynoldsburg City Council.

City Council**Doug Joseph****7232 E. Main Street****Reynoldsburg OH 43068****Phone****MOTION REQUEST**

DATE: **January 8, 2018****TO:** **City Council****RE:** That April L. Beggerow is Hereby Appointed to Serve as Clerk of Council for
the Period Beginning January 8, 2018 and Ending with the Council
Organizational Meeting to be Held in January 2020.

Approval:

Brad McCloud	Jed Hood	Stephen Cicak
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City Council**Doug Joseph****7232 E. Main Street****Reynoldsburg OH 43068****Phone****MOTION REQUEST**

DATE: **January 8, 2018****TO:** **City Council****RE:** That Councilman Barth Cotner is Hereby Appointed to Serve as President Pro Tempore of Council for the Period Beginning January 8, 2018 and Ending with the Council Organizational Meeting to be Held in January 2019.

Approval:

Brad McCloud	Jed Hood	Stephen Cicak
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City Council**Doug Joseph****7232 E. Main Street****Reynoldsburg OH 43068****Phone****MOTION REQUEST**

DATE: January 8, 2018**TO: City Council****RE: Councilman Marshall Spalding be Appointed as the City of
Reynoldsburg Representative to the West Licking Joint Fire District
Board for 2018.**

Approval:

Brad McCloud

Jed Hood

Stephen Cicak

City Council**Doug Joseph****7232 E. Main Street****Reynoldsburg OH 43068****Phone****MOTION REQUEST**

DATE: **January 8, 2018****TO:** **City Council****RE:** Motion that the Council of the City of Reynoldsburg Does Hereby re-appoint Stephen Cicak and Jed Hood to Serve on the Volunteer Peace Officers' Dependents' Fund.

Approval:

Brad McCloud	Jed Hood	Stephen Cicak
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This is an Annual appointment-

Auditor Stephen Cicak and City Attorney Jed Hood are currently serving on this board and have requested to continue serving.

City Council**Doug Joseph****7232 E. Main Street****Reynoldsburg OH 43068****Phone****MOTION REQUEST****DATE:** **January 8, 2018****TO:** **City Council**

RE: Motion that the Council of the City of Reynoldsburg Does Hereby
 Appoint Kristin J. Bryant To Serve on the Reynoldsburg Police
 Community Advisory Panel with a Term of 1 (One) Year Beginning
 January 8, 2018.

Approval:

Brad McCloud	Jed Hood	Stephen Cicak
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Purpose:

The purpose of this board is to establish an advisory panel which will provide non-binding recommendations with regards to police/ community relations. The advisory board's efforts will be geared toward the furtherance of public outreach and engagement and will make available a platform for representatives of the community to provide input into issues including law enforcement priorities, programs, recruitment, and police/community partnerships.

Composition:

The Reynoldsburg Police Community Advisory Panel will be composed of the following:

- The Chief of Police
- Two members of the Reynoldsburg Police Department appointed by the Chief of Police.
- One representative appointed by Reynoldsburg City Council.
- One representative of the Reynoldsburg School System appointed by the Superintendent.
- One representative of the Reynoldsburg Business community appointed by Chamber of Commerce.

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- Two representatives of the local religious community selected by the existing board
- One member of the RHS National Honor Society (11th grade).

Selection:

Selections and appointments will be made in January and the term of service will last for one year.

Meetings:

The board will hold monthly meetings with at least one meeting per quarter being an open forum.

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MOTION REQUEST

DATE: January 8, 2018

TO: City Council

RE: MOTION TO AMEND THE COUNCIL RULES OF PROCEDURE

Approval:

Brad McCloud	Skipped Jed Hood	Stephen Cicak
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Motion to amend the following Council Rules of Procedure sections:

Article III, Section 2, Subsection C.

Article IV, Sections 1 Standing Committees and 3 Composition of Committees

Council Rules are attached but here is a snippet of the changes:

SECTION 2. *President Pro Tempore*

- . The Council shall appoint as a part of its organizational process, by a majority vote of its members, a member of Council to serve as the President Pro Tempore of the Council, to serve at the pleasure of the Council. (Sec. 3.05(a) CRC).
- . The President Pro Tempore shall serve as the presiding officer of the Council during the temporary absence or disability of the President of Council, but while so serving shall retain the power to vote on all matters before the Council. (Sec. 3.05(b) CRC).
- . In the absence of both the President of Council and President Pro Tempore of the Council, an acting presiding officer shall serve as follows: Chairman of the ~~Finance Committee~~ **FINANCE AND ADMINISTRATION COMMITTEE**, Chairman of the ~~Service Committee~~ **PUBLIC SERVICE AND**

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TRANSPORTATION COMMITTEE, Chairman of the ~~Safety Committee~~
PUBLIC SAFETY, LAW AND COURTS COMMITTEE, Chairman of the
~~Community Development Committee~~ **DEVELOPMENT, PARKS AND**
RECREATION COMMITTEE.

ARTICLE IV - COMMITTEES

SECTION 1. *Standing Committees.* Council shall have the following standing committees with the responsibilities as shown:

- . ~~FINANCE COMMITTEE: Review, investigate, and recommend Council action in all financial matters before Council, including budgets, appropriations, taxes, assessments, expenditures, general fiscal policy, administrative matters, appointments of elected officials, appointments to commissions, utility rates, and other special assignments.~~
- . ~~SERVICE COMMITTEE: Review, investigate, and recommend Council action in all matters of public utility services, storm sewers, transportation systems, zoning, land usage, annexation, and other special assignments.~~
- . ~~SAFETY COMMITTEE: Review, investigate, and recommend Council action in all matters of public buildings, streets, traffic safety, police protection, fire protection, health, disaster services, building codes, building inspection, and other special assignments.~~
- . ~~COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE: Review, investigate, and recommend to Council action in all matters pertaining to industrial and commercial development, general civic improvement, beautification, Recreation Department, public parks and other special assignments.~~
- . **FINANCE AND ADMINISTRATION COMMITTEE**

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City Auditor: taxation; bond and note sales, banking, financial services, CAFR, appointments to Income Tax Board of Review

Clerk of Council: including Records Commission

Department of Computer Systems: city-wide technology services

Civil Service Commission, Department of Human Resources: general employment policies, personnel policies, insurance

Mayor's Office: Miscellaneous city-wide, general policies or code amendments, annual budget

Other: Appointment of elected officials, appointments to other, non-designated Boards/Commissions

PUBLIC SERVICE AND TRANSPORTATION COMMITTEE

Department of Public Service: Director's Office, City Engineer and Divisions of Street, Water/Wastewater, and Maintenance. Water/Sewer rates/agreements, refuse collection service contracts, intergovernmental agreements for infrastructure improvements, ODOT, MORPC, etc.

Building Division: Including code compliance program and abatement assessments

Planning and Zoning Division: Planning and Zoning Code, Zoning District Changes, Planning Commission and Board of Zoning and Building Appeals Appointments

PUBLIC SAFETY, LAW AND COURTS COMMITTEE

Department of Public Safety: Director's Office, fire district agreements/appointments.

Division of Police: Collective bargaining agreements and salary ordinances for safety personnel, facilities/equipment purchases and improvements, Liquor Permit Requests.

City Attorney's Office

Mayor's Court

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DEVELOPMENT, PARKS AND RECREATION COMMITTEE

Development Department: Director's Office, economic development agreements (EDAs); Tax Incentive Review Council (TIRC); CRAs (including residential CRAs); intergovernmental cooperative development agreements, matters pertaining to industrial/commercial/residential development

Parks and Recreation Department: Director's Office, Division of Parks Maintenance, Parks & Recreation Department Appointments, Recreation programs, Senior Center, Community festivals, Livingston House, Convention and Visitor's Bureau, Reynoldsburg-Truro Historical Society, matters pertaining to general civic improvement, beautification, and other special civic assignments

Requests for new employee(s) shall be considered by the committee responsible for the department requesting the new employee(s). Salary amount(s) should be included on the legislative file for consideration by this committee, prior to referring the topic to the Finance Committee for funding.

SECTION 3. *Composition of Committees.* Standing, and special committees shall consist of not less than three (3) members of Council, recommended by the President of Council, and approved by a majority vote of Council, at its organizational meetings. Such approved committee membership shall be in effect until such time as the Council committees reorganize, except that any member who resigns, or for any reason cannot serve, must be replaced by a majority vote of the Council. The Finance **AND ADMINISTRATION** Committee shall be staffed with three of its members being the Chairpersons of the ~~Community~~-**Development, PARKS AND RECREATION COMMITTEE, PUBLIC** Service **AND TRANSPORTATION COMMITTEE**, and **PUBLIC** Safety, **LAW AND COURTS COMMITTEE** Committees, to promote continuity of purpose and aims, between the four standing committees. Each committee shall select their own chairperson. The President of Council shall be an ex-officio member of all committees, and shall vote on any action only in case of a tie vote.

COUNCIL RULES OF PROCEDURE

REYNOLDSBURG CITY COUNCIL

2017
12/11/2017

Attachment: Council Rules (2018) (Amend Council Rules of Procedure)

COUNCIL RULES OF PROCEDURE
CITY OF REYNOLDSBURG, OHIO
EFFECTIVE 2017

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COUNCIL RULES OF PROCEDURE
CITY OF REYNOLDSBURG, OHIO
REVISED 2017

ARTICLE I - POWERS

No provision or section of these rules which conflicts with, or restricts those rights provided by the Constitution of the United States, the Constitution of the State of Ohio, the City of Reynoldsburg Charter, or the Revised Code of Ohio shall have any force or effect.

SECTION 1. *Section 731.05 Revised Code.* The Council takes due notice of the statutory limitation of powers set forth in Section 731.05 of the Revised Code of Ohio as follows: the powers of the legislative authority of a city shall be legislative only, unless otherwise provided in Title VII of the Revised Code or the City of Reynoldsburg Charter (CRC). All contracts requiring the authority of the legislative authority for their execution shall be entered into, and conducted to performance by the board, or officers having charge of the matters, to which they relate. After the authority to make such contracts has been given, and the necessary appropriation made, the legislative authority shall take no further action thereon.

SECTION 2. *Section 3.08 CRC.* The Council shall exercise all legislative powers of the City, and all powers granted to municipal corporations by the Constitution and laws of Ohio, which are not reserved by the Charter to other officers of the City, and which are not inconsistent with the Charter.

ARTICLE II - MEETINGS

SECTION 1. *Definitions*

As used in these Rules:

1. "Clerk", means the Clerk of Council.
2. "Assistant Clerk", means the Assistant Clerk of Council.
3. "Day", means calendar day.
4. "Meeting", means any prearranged discussion of the public business of Council by a majority of its members.
5. "Oral Notification", means notification given orally, either in person or by telephone directly to the person for whom such notification is intended, or by leaving an oral message for such person at the address, or if by telephone, at the telephone number, of such person as shown on the records kept by the Clerk, under these Rules.
6. "Post", means to post in an area accessible to the public during the usual business hours, at the Office of the Clerk, and at the following location: First Floor, Municipal Building.

7. "Published", means the Clerk shall cause to be published in a newspaper having circulation in the municipality, as defined in Section 4.14 CRC or Section 7.12 ORC.
8. "Quorum", A quorum at any meeting of Council shall consist of four (4) members of Council.
9. "Written Notification", means notification in writing, mailed, e-mailed, faxed or delivered, to the address of the person for whom notification is intended, as shown on the records, kept by the Clerk, under these Rules, or in any way delivered to such person. If mailed, the notification shall be mailed by first class mail, deposited in the U.S. Postal Service mailbox no later than the second day preceding the day of the meeting to which the notification refers, providing that at least one regular mail delivery day falls between the day of mailing and day of the meeting.

SECTION 2. Regular Meetings. The Council shall meet in regular session on the second and fourth Mondays of each month, unless such day is a nationally recognized holiday, in which case, the regular session may be held on the immediately succeeding Tuesday.

SECTION 3. Special Meetings. The Mayor, or any three members of Council may call special meetings upon at least twenty-four (24) hours notice, to each member personally served, or left at his or her usual place of residency; i.e., (Sec. 3.07(b) CRC).

SECTION 4. Time and Place of Meetings. All regular meetings of Council shall be held in accordance with Section 3.07 CRC. All Special meetings shall be at time and place as described on NOTICE. SPECIAL MEETING OF COUNCIL. Meetings of Council will normally be held in the room designated as Council Chambers in the Municipal Building in the City of Reynoldsburg, however, Council may by affirmative vote of a majority of members designate any other location necessary to the orderly conduct of Council affairs, however such meeting place must be within the City of Reynoldsburg.

SECTION 5. Open Meetings. All meetings of the Council shall be held in accordance with the general laws of Ohio pertaining to requirements for open meetings of public bodies; i.e., (Sec. 3.07(d) CRC).

A. NOTICE OF REGULAR AND ORGANIZATIONAL MEETINGS

1. The Clerk shall post a statement of the times and places of regular meetings, for each calendar year, not later than the second day preceding the day of the first regular meeting (other than organizational meeting). The Clerk shall check at reasonable intervals to ensure that each statement remains posted during such calendar year. If at any time during the calendar year, the time, or place of any regular meeting is changed on a permanent or temporary basis, a statement of the time and place of the changed regular meeting shall be posted by the Clerk, at least twenty-four (24) hours before the time.

2. The Clerk shall post a statement of the time and place of any organizational meeting, at least twenty-four (24) hours before the time of the organizational meeting.
3. Upon the adjournment of any regular or special meeting to another day, the Clerk shall promptly post notice of the time and place of such adjourned meeting.

B. NOTICE OF SPECIAL MEETINGS

1. Except in the case of a special meeting referred to in subsection C, paragraph 4 of this section, the Clerk shall post a statement of the time, place and purposes of such meeting no later than twenty-four (24) hours before the time of a special meeting.

C. NOTICE TO MEDIUM OF SPECIAL MEETINGS

1. Any news organization that desires to be given advance notification of special meetings, shall file with the Clerk a written request. Except in the event of an emergency requiring immediate official action as referred to in paragraph 4 of this section, a special meeting shall not be held, unless at least twenty-four hours advance notice of the time, place, and purposes of such special meeting is given to the news media, that have requested advance notification.
2. Request for such advance notification of special meetings shall specify: the name of the medium; the name and address of the person to whom written notifications may be mailed, or delivered; and the names, address, and telephone numbers (including address and telephone numbers at which notifications may be given either during or outside of business hours) of at least two persons, to either of whom, oral notifications to the medium may be given; and at least one telephone number which the request identifies as being manned, and which can be called at any hour for the purpose of giving oral notification to such medium. Any such request shall be effective for one year from the date of filing with the Clerk, until the Clerk receives written notice from the medium cancelling or modifying such request, whichever is earlier. Each requesting medium shall be informed of the period of effectiveness, at the time it files its request. Such requests may be modified, or extended, only by filing a complete new request with the Clerk. A request shall not be deemed to be made unless it is complete in all respects, and such request may be conclusively relied on by the Clerk.
3. The Clerk shall give such oral notification or written notification, or both, as the Clerk determines, to the news medium that has requested advance notification of the time, place and purposes of each special meeting, at least twenty-four (24) hours prior to the time of the special meeting.

4. In the event of an emergency requiring immediate official action, a special meeting may be held without giving twenty-four (24) hours advance notification thereof to the requesting news medium. Any of the persons calling such meeting, or the Clerk shall immediately give oral notification or written notification, or both, of the time, place, and purposes of the special meeting to the news medium that has requested advance notification. The notification of any such special meeting shall state the general nature of the emergency requiring immediate official action.

D. GENERAL

1. Any person may visit, or telephone the Office of the Clerk during the office's regular office hours to determine, based on information available at the office: the time and place of regular meetings; the time, place, and purposes of any then known special meetings; and whether the available agenda of any future meeting states that any specific type of public business is to be discussed at such meeting.
2. Any notification provided herein to be given by the Clerk, may be given by any person acting in behalf of the Clerk.
3. A reasonable attempt at notification shall constitute compliance with these Rules.
4. A certificate by the Clerk as to compliance with these Rules shall be conclusive upon Council.
5. To better insure compliance with these rules, it shall be the responsibility of the President of Council, and the Chairpersons of the Committees to timely advise the Clerk of future meetings, and the subject matters to be discussed.

ARTICLE III - OFFICERS

SECTION 1. *President of Council*

- A. The President of Council shall be elected from the City at large to a four year term of office. (Sec. 3.04(a) CRC).
- B. The President of Council shall be the presiding officer of the Council, but shall vote on any matter before the Council; only in the event of a tie vote among the members of Council. (Sec. 3.04(b) CRC).

SECTION 2. *President Pro Tempore*

- A. The Council shall appoint as a part of its organizational process, by a majority vote of its members, a member of Council to serve as the President Pro Tempore of the Council, to serve at the pleasure of the Council. (Sec. 3.05(a) CRC).
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SECTION 3. Clerk of Council.

The Council shall appoint, by a majority vote of its members, a person to serve as the Clerk of Council, to serve at the pleasure of Council. (Sec. 3.06 CRC).

The Clerk of Council shall:

- A. Attend Council meetings, regular and special.
- B. Prepare a Record of Proceedings of all Council meetings, which shall be termed the “minutes”, or journal, and be the custodian of such records. Meetings of City Council shall be recorded, and recordings made of meetings shall be retained in accordance with the City’s Record Retention Schedule.
- C. Prepare an agenda for each regular meeting of Council, and Committees.
- D. Furnish all transcripts, orders, and certificates, which may be properly required, and shall be entitled to charge for all attested certificates and transcripts, the same fees that are allowed by law to county officers for similar service: Provided, that the same shall be furnished free of charge, when ordered by the Council, or required by any Council Member or City Official, in the prosecution of official duties.
- E. Assign numbers, in their proper sequence, to all ordinances and resolutions, when such legislation is passed. Number assignments will be referenced in the official minutes of the Council proceedings.
- F. Maintain a permanent record of all ordinances or resolutions, and by appropriate notation, show passage or rejection, subsequent repeal, and amendment thereof.
- G. Perform all clerical duties incidental to the office.
- H. Be available during the hours specified by Council.
- I. Perform such other duties as directed by Council.

SECTION 4. Assistant Clerk of Council.

An Assistant Clerk of Council shall be appointed by a majority vote of Council, and shall serve at the pleasure of Council. The Assistant Clerk of Council shall assume the duties and responsibilities of the Clerk of Council in their absence or at their request.

ARTICLE IV - COMMITTEES

SECTION 1. Standing Committees. Council shall have the following standing committees with the responsibilities as shown:

- ~~A. FINANCE COMMITTEE: Review, investigate, and recommend Council action in all financial matters before Council, including budgets, appropriations, taxes, assessments, expenditures, general fiscal policy, administrative matters, appointments of elected officials, appointments to commissions, utility rates, and other special assignments.~~
- ~~B. SERVICE COMMITTEE: Review, investigate, and recommend Council action in all matters of public utility services, storm sewers, transportation systems, zoning, land usage, annexation, and other special assignments.~~
- ~~C. SAFETY COMMITTEE: Review, investigate, and recommend Council action in all matters of public buildings, streets, traffic safety, police protection, fire protection, health, disaster services, building codes, building inspection, and other special assignments.~~
- ~~D. COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE: Review, investigate, and recommend to Council action in all matters pertaining to industrial and commercial development, general civic improvement, beautification, Recreation Department, public parks and other special assignments.~~

- A. **FINANCE AND ADMINISTRATION COMMITTEE**
City Auditor: taxation; bond and note sales, banking, financial services, CAFR, appointments to Income Tax Board of Review
Clerk of Council: including Records Commission
Department of Computer Systems: city-wide technology services
Civil Service Commission, Department of Human Resources: general employment policies, personnel policies, insurance
Mayor's Office: Miscellaneous city-wide, general policies or code amendments, annual budget
Other: Appointment of elected officials, appointments to other, non-designated Boards/Commissions
- B. **PUBLIC SERVICE AND TRANSPORTATION COMMITTEE**
Department of Public Service: Director's Office, City Engineer and Divisions of Street, Water/Wastewater, and Maintenance. Water/Sewer rates/agreements, refuse collection service contracts, intergovernmental agreements for infrastructure improvements, ODOT, MORPC, etc.
Building Division: Including code compliance program and abatement assessments
Planning and Zoning Division: Planning and Zoning Code, Zoning District Changes, Planning Commission and Board of Zoning and Building Appeals
Appointments
- C. **PUBLIC SAFETY, LAW AND COURTS COMMITTEE**
Department of Public Safety: Director's Office, fire district agreements/appointments.
Division of Police: Collective bargaining agreements and salary ordinances for safety

personnel, facilities/equipment purchases and improvements
City Attorney's Office
Mayor's Court

- D. DEVELOPMENT, PARKS AND RECREATION COMMITTEE
Development Department: Director's Office, economic development
agreements (EDAs); Tax Incentive Review Council (TIRC); CRAs (including
residential CRAs); intergovernmental cooperative development agreements,
matters pertaining to industrial/commercial/residential development
Parks and Recreation Department: Director's Office, Division of Parks
Maintenance, Parks & Recreation Department Appointments, Recreation
programs, Senior Center, Community festivals, Livingston House,
Convention and Visitor's Bureau, Reynoldsburg-Truro Historical Society,
matters pertaining to general civic improvement, beautification, and other
special civic assignments

Requests for new employee(s) shall be considered by the committee responsible for the department requesting the new employee(s). Salary amount(s) should be included on the legislative file for consideration by this committee, prior to referring the topic to the Finance Committee for funding.

SECTION 2. A. *Special Ad Hoc Committees.* The President of Council may from time to time appoint special committees for limited purposes, subject to the approval of a majority of Council. The statement of purpose for all special Ad Hoc Committees shall contain a section setting forth the length of time required to complete their special purpose.

B. *Special Representative.* The President of Council may from time to time appoint a representative from Council to assess such areas as (but not limited to) constituent services, technological capabilities and budgetary matters. The purpose of this assessment is to facilitate better communication between the constituents and Council. The representative will report to the President of Council within the time period set by the President for further action by Council if necessary.

SECTION 3. *Composition of Committees.* Standing, and special committees shall consist of not less than three (3) members of Council, recommended by the President of Council, and approved by a majority vote of Council, at its organizational meetings. Such approved committee membership shall be in effect until such time as the Council committees reorganize, except that any member who resigns, or for any reason cannot serve, must be replaced by a majority vote of the Council. The Finance AND ADMINISTRATION Committee shall be staffed with three of its members being the Chairpersons of the ~~Community~~—Development, PARKS AND RECREATION COMMITTEE, PUBLIC Service AND TRANSPORTATION COMMITTEE, and PUBLIC Safety, LAW AND COURTS COMMITTEE Committees, to promote continuity of purpose and aims, between the four standing committees. Each committee shall select their own chairperson. The President of Council shall be an ex-officio member of all committees, and shall vote on any action only in case of a tie vote.

SECTION 4. *Duties of Committee Chairperson*

- A. The Chairperson, as selected in Article IV, Section 3, shall preside over all committee meetings.
- B. The Chairperson shall:
 - 1. Appoint a vice-chairperson to serve in the chairperson's absence.
 - 2. With the assistance of the Clerk, prepare agendas, meeting minutes and provide supporting material that is germane to the discussion of items on the agenda, not less than two days before the next scheduled meeting.
 - 3. Be the sponsor of new legislation unless the Chairman designates another member of the Committee to sponsor the new legislation.
 - 4. Be responsible that legislation will not be sent from committee, to Council, except by a majority vote of committee, for first second or third reading. Legislation will either be forwarded to the Consent Agenda or Regular Agenda.
 - 5. With the assistance of the Clerk, be responsible for maintaining an up to date status of all legislation directed to the committee by inclusion of all active legislation, as agenda discussion items for every committee meeting, without exception, until such time as legislation has received final approval, or disapproval of Council, or is declared null and void by the authority of Article VII, Section 8A.
 - 6. When directed by the President of Council to conduct a study or survey, assure that the subject matter is continued on the agenda as an active discussion item, until such time as the committee report or resultant proposed legislation has been presented to Council.
 - 7. If desired, appoint as many citizen advisory members as may be necessary; however, no citizen advisory members shall vote on the recommendations of the committee, but may concur in either the majority or minority reports.

SECTION 5. *Committee Agendas.* For items to be considered before committees, approved requests including supporting documentation, shall be received by the Clerk not later than 5:00 p.m. 7 (seven) days prior to the Committee Meeting. Unless subject is of an emergency nature, no material will be received by Council on the meeting night. All officers of the municipality and members of the public are urged to cooperate with the Clerk in making the agenda complete and accurate. The person requesting the item, or a designee, shall attend the committee meeting for discussion of the item.

For contracts or expenditures exceeding the State of Ohio limit for competitive bidding as of 6/1/92 or for expenditures for any purpose which have not been included in current budgets:

- A. The City Auditor for certification of the following: (1) Availability of unencumbered funds (2) Account in which said funds are held (3) If such funds are not immediately available, the source of the necessary funds and the date such requested funds are expected to be available.

- B. The City Attorney for one of the following actions: (1) approval as to form; (2) approval as to form with comments; OR (3) not approved as to form with comments. Contracts that have not met these requirements will not be sent for passage.

SECTION 6. *Committee Meetings.* Meetings of all committees of Council shall be public meetings, and whenever possible shall be held in public buildings, within the City of Reynoldsburg; however, each committee, by a majority of its voting members, may elect to hold meetings, wherever it deems necessary to properly further its assigned purpose. All committee meetings will be called by the Chairperson of such committee or by two (2) voting members, giving notice of the date, time and place to all members of the committee, and the Clerk. The Clerk shall notify all members of Council of all committee meetings. Any member of Council shall have the right to sit with any committee, present information, take part in any discussion, and question witnesses; however members of Council shall have a vote only when regularly assigned to such committee.

SECTION 7. *Committee of the Whole.* Council committees may meet as a Committee of the Whole to consider the Agenda of any Committee, if a quorum of an individual committee is not present at the meeting, provided that four members of Council are present. Succession to chair the Committee of the Whole meeting shall be: Committee Chairperson, Vice-Chairperson, senior member of Committee, senior member of Council. When meeting as a Committee of the Whole, each member present shall retain the right to vote.

SECTION 8. *Mandatory Referral.* All ordinances and resolutions shall be referred to an appropriate committee for review and recommendation for adoption or denial prior to final action being taken by Council. This provision may be suspended by an affirmative vote of a $\frac{3}{4}$ majority of Council (CRC 4.04). Legislation awarding Contracts, are excepted from Mandatory Referral. (See CRC 8.04 (b)) **EXCEPTION:** When circumstances are warranted, legislation can be amended with emergency language and considered for adoption [without suspension of the provision] provided appropriate committee members are present, and topic has been discussed at least once in committee.

ARTICLE V - COUNCIL AGENDA

SECTION 1. *Content.* Before adoption of an ordinance or resolution, the committee chairperson or Clerk of Council may request the City Attorney review an ordinance to determine if it is a valid exercise of legislative authority.

SECTION 2. *Preparation.* The agenda for all meetings of Council shall be prepared by the Clerk, under the guidance of the President of Council, with the assistance of the President Pro Tempore of Council. No item requiring action may be placed on the agenda later than 7 (seven) days before a regular meeting, and less than twenty-four (24) hours prior to the time of a special meeting, unless as considered in Section 4 of this Article. Unless subject is of an emergency nature, no material will be received by Council on the meeting night.

SECTION 3. *Delivery.* It shall be the responsibility of the President of Council to make sure

that the agenda is delivered to the members of Council on the Friday before a regular meeting, and not less than twenty-four (24) hours prior to the time of a special meeting.

SECTION 4. *Changes.* Any change to the published agenda shall not be made, other than by a majority vote of Council, on a motion to amend, which shall not be debatable, except for a brief statement of necessity, by the maker of the motion. Such motion shall require no second.

All matters listed under Item 10, Consent Agenda, are considered to be routine by the city council and will be enacted by one motion. There will not be separate discussion of items listed on the Consent Agenda. However, if discussion is desired on a particular item(s), that item will be removed from the Consent Agenda and will be considered separately.

The Clerk of Council shall read aloud the items to be considered part of the Consent Agenda before there is a motion for approval.

A typical motion for approval: "I move that the Consent Agenda, items 'a' through 'e' be approved as indicated," followed by a roll call vote, **or**

A typical motion to remove an item might be, "I move that we approve the Consent Agenda items 'a' through 'e' with the exception of item 'c'," followed by a roll call vote.

SECTION 5. *Order of Business.* The agenda should reflect the following order of business:

- Roll Call
- Invocation
- Pledge of Allegiance
- Approval of Minutes of previous meeting
- Approval of Agenda
- Community Comments and Requests
- Communications
- Reports
 - City Officials
 - Standing Committees
 - Special Committees
- Consent Agenda
- Motions
- Legislative Action One Reading Only
- Procedural readings:
 - First readings
 - Second readings
- Legislative Action:
 - Third readings
- Adjournment

It should be noted, that this section is directory in nature and not mandatory, and is subject to the discretion of the presiding officer.

ARTICLE VI - RULES OF ORDER

SECTION 1. *Rules of Order.* All deliberations of Council shall be governed by the Constitution of the United States, the Constitution of the State of Ohio, the Revised Code of Ohio, the City of Reynoldsburg Charter, duly enacted ordinances and resolutions of the City of Reynoldsburg, Ohio, the Rules of Council of the City of Reynoldsburg, Ohio as contained herein, and in those areas of parliamentary procedure not specifically set forth in the foregoing documents, by Roberts Rules of Order, Newly Revised.

ARTICLE VII – LEGISLATION

SECTION 1. *Definitions.*

- Ordinance: Refers to the type of action by Council which is of a general or permanent nature, creates a right, grants a franchise, or involves the expenditure of money, the levying of a tax, or authorizes the purchase, lease, sale or transfer of property.
- Resolution: Refers to a declaration of intent or purpose, the authorization of some temporary act or administrative procedure. A resolution may initiate, direct, or carry out administrative duties and functions, which are granted to the legislative body under statutory laws, the City of Reynoldsburg Charter, or Municipal ordinance.
- Motion: Refers to action used to conduct the business of Council, in procedural matters, for elections conducted among Council members, appointments by the Council, resolutions of expression by the Council, decisions not requiring ordinance or resolution, and as otherwise provided in the CRC.
- Majority: Four (4) members of Council shall constitute a majority for normal transaction of business.
- 2/3 Majority: A two-thirds (2/3) majority shall mean five (5) members of Council.
- 3/4 Majority: A three-fourths (3/4) majority shall mean six (6) members of Council.

SECTION 2. *Form of Action of Council.* Except as otherwise provided in the CRC, action of Council shall be by ordinance, resolution, or motion. Motions shall be used to conduct the business of Council, in procedural matters, for elections conducted among Council members, appointments by the Council, and as otherwise provided in the CRC. All other action shall be taken by ordinance, or resolution. No action of Council shall be invalidated, merely because the form thereof fails to comply with the provisions of this Section; i.e., (Sec. 4.02 CRC).

SECTION 3. *Introduction of Legislation.* Any member of Council may introduce any

ordinance or resolution, at a regular or special meeting, which shall be in written or printed form, and shall contain a concise title; i.e., (Sec. 4.02 CRC).

SECTION 4. *Form of Ordinances and Resolutions.*

- A. The form, and style of ordinances, and resolutions shall be determined by the Rules of Council.
- B. Each ordinance, or resolution shall contain only one subject, which shall be expressed in its title; provided that appropriation ordinances may contain the various subjects, accounts, and amounts for which monies are appropriated, and that ordinances and resolutions which are codified, or recodified, are not subject to the limitation of containing one subject; i.e., (Sec. 4.02 CRC).
- C. Resolutions primarily and exclusively for recognition, shall be adopted upon a favorable vote at the first reading.

SECTION 5. *Reading Ordinances and Resolutions.*

- A. Each ordinance, and resolution shall be read on three different days, occurring with at least one week between readings, unless the Council suspends this rule concerning readings, by a vote of at least three-fourths of the members of Council; provided that ordinances and resolutions passed as emergency measures, need not conform to this subsection, but shall be read at one meeting of the Council.
- B. Ordinances, and resolutions shall be read by title only, unless the Council determines that a reading shall be in full by a majority vote of its members; i.e., (Sec. 4.04 CRC).
- C. *Suspension.* Any provision of the Article except as noted in Section 4, may be suspended by an affirmative vote of $\frac{3}{4}$ majority of Council (CRC 4.04).

SECTION 6. *Vote Required for Passage.* The vote on the question of passage of each ordinance, resolution and motion shall be taken by “ayes” and “nays”, and entered on the Journal, and none shall be passed without concurrence of a majority of the members of Council. Each emergency ordinance, or resolution and each ordinance or resolution, vetoed by the Mayor which is subsequently approved by the Council, over-riding the Mayor’s veto, shall require the affirmative vote of at least two-thirds of the members of Council, for its enactment.

SECTION 7. *Emergency Legislation.* Each emergency ordinance or resolution shall determine that the ordinance or resolution is necessary for the immediate preservation of the public peace, health or safety, or that its passage is urgently required for the financial needs of the City’s government, and shall contain a statement of the necessity or urgency requiring its passage as an emergency measure; i.e., (Sec. 4.07 CRC).

If an emergency ordinance or resolution shall fail to receive the required two-thirds affirmative vote, but receives the necessary majority for passage, as non-emergency legislation, it shall

become effective as non-emergency legislation.

SECTION 8. *Pending Legislation.*

- A. All ordinances, resolutions and motions that have been postponed in excess of six (6) months shall be considered null and void, and any further action on the subjects covered shall be reintroduced as new legislation.

SECTION 9. *Amending Legislation.* Any new language, or any additions to the code or existing ordinances, or resolutions shall be distinguished by capital letters, underlined, “or” bold face type so that any change is readily apparent. Deletion of existing language shall be shown by lining out the language to be removed. Amendments to legislation shall be made at a Council meeting or appropriate Committee meeting.

SECTION 10. *Reconsidering.* The action of Council could be reconsidered by the implementation of the Vote to Reconsider. Such motion to be made by a member of the prevailing side, to be done at (1) the same meeting or (2) the next meeting of Council following the meeting at which the action to be reconsidered occurred. A member of the prevailing side is defined as a member who voted for an action that passed or against an action that was defeated.

SECTION 11. *Publication.* A summary of every ordinance or resolution shall be published on the City’s website within fourteen days after its final passage and no other publication shall be required.

ARTICLE VIII - RULES OF DISCUSSION

SECTION 1. *Policy.* When an ordinance, resolution or motion is before Council, or when a member of the public wishes to address Council, an adequate opportunity must be provided for all members of Council to be heard. However, in order to expedite business, the rules of discussion contained in this Article are set forth as the official policy of Council. Speaker slips shall be filled out completely including name, address, organization represented if any, the agenda item to be addressed, the subject if the person wishes to address a non-agenda item, and shall be filed with the Clerk of Council prior to the start of the meeting.

SECTION 2. *Duty of Presiding Officer.* The Presiding Officer shall recognize members, and other persons who wish to address Council, prior to such member, or person taking the floor. All persons not personally known by Council, shall furnish their name, address, and the reason for their appearance, upon request of the Presiding Officer, prior to being recognized.

The Presiding Officer may utilize the following rules when exercising control of the discussion on any ordinance, resolution or motion, or when a member of the public wishes to address Council:

- A. All members shall speak only from their place at the Council table, and all other

- persons addressing Council shall do so from a place so designated;
- B. No member or person shall be permitted to speak longer than three minutes at any one time or longer than a total of five minutes;
- C. No member or person shall be permitted to speak more than two times;
- D. While members may yield to other members, the limitations set forth in B and C above shall prevail’;
- E. No member or person shall be permitted to speak the second time, until all members have been given the opportunity to be heard at least once;
- F. If the subject does not concern the legislative responsibilities of the Council, the Presiding Officer may refer the person to the proper administrative officer, another public forum or deny the request;
- G. No member or person shall use language or subject matter containing obscenity or partisan political propaganda;
- H. No member or person shall conduct themselves in a disorderly manner or engage in disruptive behavior;
- I. All members and persons addressing Council shall be subject to the duty of the Presiding Officer to preserve the order and decorum of a public meeting;
- J. The Presiding Officer, subject to a challenge by a majority of Council, may refuse the floor to any member or person where the tactics are obviously dilatory, and not in the best interest of Council;
- A. The above rules may be suspended to permit unlimited debate, by a vote of three-fourths majority of Council.

ARTICLE IX - VOTING

SECTION 1. Voting. Except as otherwise provided in these rules, the Ohio Revised Code or the CRC, all resolutions and ordinances will be voted upon in open council, and shall be oral roll call votes. The roll call voting shall be different from successive meetings as called by the Clerk. The Clerk shall call the roll and each Council member will respond either “Aye”, “Nay” or “Abstain”. No other comment will be considered proper during the voting. The Clerk must record the vote, and the same shall be preserved in the minutes of the meeting. After the vote is complete, the Presiding Officer shall announce the results thereof. Except as otherwise provided herein, or by law (U.S.C., O.R.C., C.R.C.), a majority shall carry any resolution, ordinance or motion. The President of Council shall vote only to break a tie. No question concerning the vote of any member will be proper, after the vote is called.

SECTION 2. Abstaining Vote. No member shall be questioned concerning an abstaining vote. The decision to abstain is a matter personal to each member, and under no condition may this action be challenged. Each member is urged to use careful discretion in this matter. An abstaining vote shall not be counted as either an “Aye” or a “Nay”, but shall remain neutral.

If a member anticipates abstaining due to a conflict of interest, they are encouraged to refrain from participating in the discussion.

ARTICLE X - EXPENDITURE OF COUNCIL FUNDS

SECTION 1. *Prior Approval of Expenditures.* Prior approval must be obtained before any member of Council, including the President of Council and the Clerk of Council, may attend a conference or seminar. Upon completion of the conference or seminar, every member of Council, including the President of Council and the Clerk of Council, attending a conference or seminar shall provide an agenda, or other printed material relevant to the subject matter covered, to the Clerk for filing with the “Prior Approval” form. Prior approval is defined as the approval by two of the four standing committee chairpersons and the acknowledgement of the President of Council, or the President Pro Tempore of Council in the absence of the President. Prior Approval forms may be obtained from the Clerk.

ARTICLE XI - COUNCIL RULES AND ORGANIZATION

SECTION 1. The Council shall be a continuing body, but shall meet in the Council chamber, at its first meeting in January of each year, for the purpose of organization. Council shall adopt, by a majority vote of its members, its own Rules which shall not conflict with the City of Reynoldsburg Charter and which shall remain in effect, until amended, changed or repealed by a majority vote of the Members of Council. The rules shall go into immediate effect, unless a later date is specified, and shall not be subject to initiative or referendum. The Rules of Council shall provide: for the number, composition and manner of appointment of committees of council; and such other matters as Council shall determine to be necessary for the proper functioning and government of Council; i.e., (Sec. 3.10 CRC).

SECTION 2. In the absence of such rules, the parliamentary procedure set forth in Roberts Rules of Order, Newly Revised, shall prevail. A copy of “Roberts Rules of Order”, Newly Revised, shall be kept in the Clerk’s office at all times.

City Council**Doug Joseph****7232 E. Main Street****Reynoldsburg OH 43068****Phone****MOTION REQUEST****DATE:** **January 8, 2018****TO:** **City Council****RE:** That the following committee membership, as recommended by the President of Council, is hereby approved to serve for the period beginning January 8, 2018 and ending December 31, 2018:

Approval:

Brad McCloud	Jed Hood	Stephen Cicak
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Development, Parks and Recreation Committee: Clemens (C), Baker, Bryant, Ward I

Public Safety, Law and Courts Committee: Spalding (C), Bryant, Baker, Ward I

Public Service and Transportation Committee: Luzader (C), Ward I, Baker, Bryant

Finance and Administration Committee: Cotner (C), Luzader, Spalding, Clemens