



City of Reminderville
Committee of the Whole
September 10, 2024

Call to Order

Meeting called to order by Mr. Hoffmann at 7:00pm

Roll Call

Mr. Hoffmann, present
Mr. Kondik, present
Mr. Wiggins, present
Ms. Kovach, present
Ms. Jeromos, present
Mr. DiCarlo, present

Approval of Minutes

Mr. Wiggins moved to approve the minutes from August 13, 2024. Mr. DiCarlo seconded.
All in favor.

Amendments to the Agenda

Laura Leonard, Director, Twinsburg Public Library

Ms. Leonard thanked the city for partnering with the library and the Twinsburg Bookmobile. It has been coming to Reminderville for Storytime at Heritage Hall, RAC summer camp, RAC latchkey program, and Glenwood Square Apartments. They also used the Reminderville park as a stop this summer for free meals for students. She stated Mr. Hoffmann is retiring from the Twinsburg Public Library Board after serving for 35 years. They are looking for a Reminderville resident in the Twinsburg School District to take over his seat. It is a voluntary unpaid position and the term is 7 years. Applications are available online and at Reminderville City Hall. Mr. Hoffmann stated the position to represent Reminderville is very important work and very rewarding.

Mayor's Report

No report.

Law Director

No report.

Engineering

Mr. Gorog introduced Tony Burgoyne from OHM Advisors and Ian Jones from MPG Architects to present options for a new service garage. They presented preliminary renderings for a new garage for service department equipment. Currently, equipment is being stored in the existing service garage, outside the service garage, and outside by the salt barn. A new garage is needed to house the expensive equipment that is just sitting outside. Option 1 was an equipment garage large enough for just the equipment that is being kept outside. Option 2 was a bigger equipment garage with an office to move everything from the current service garage including all equipment. Both options would be located next to City Hall. If Option 2 is selected, the current service garage could be demolished to allow expansion at the playground park or repurpose the building for other uses. OHM will do core samplings to make sure the ground is suitable for the new service garage. Mr. Huff will look into financing options. After discussion, Option 2 seemed to be the better choice for current and future needs of the service department. There will be more discussion at upcoming meetings.

Service Department

No report.

Reminderville Athletic Club

Mr. Hoffmann reported the hot water heaters for the building are being scheduled to be installed today. One of the heaters is leaking and cannot be repaired. Fabcon submitted their assessment report, there are no major issues but some repairs are needed. They will be submitting a quote. Pickleball is available in the gym on Sundays 8:00am-11:00am and on Tuesdays and Thursdays 5:30am-9:00am. The Twinsburg Library bookmobile will be available for the latchkey program every Wednesday at 4:00pm as well as launching their new activity Storybook Sketches.

Finance Director

Mr. Huff reported the State audit is ongoing and should be complete by the end of October. The budget discussions will begin at the next Finance Committee meeting with the fire department and service department. There is legislation for appropriations including additional funds for Community Events. The city received a check from Cleveland Water from the Commodore Cove project in 2022.

Police

Ms. Kovach thanked Chief Berquist for the special detail on Smugglers Cove to combat the speeding drivers.

Fire

No report.

ARB

Ms. Kovach reported they approved three fences and one deck. The next meeting is on September 23 at 6:30pm.

Planning & Zoning

No report.

Board of Zoning Appeals

No report.

Human Resources/Insurance Committee

No report.

Finance Committee

Mr. DiCarlo reported they approved \$486,168.53 in payments. The August bank statement was reconciled without incident. The STAR Ohio account rate is at 5.42% and earned a little under \$22,000 in interest in August. The next meeting is on September 24 and will start at 5:30pm for budget discussions.

Community Focus

No report.

Communications

Ms. Jeromos reported they will continue to deliver welcome bags to new residents. The next meeting is Wednesday at 7:00pm at City Hall.

Long-Term Community Development

Mr. Board reported they will be discussing ideas to develop the park area should a new garage be built.

Records

No report.

JEDD

Mr. Wiggins reported revenues are slightly lower than what was projected.

LEGISLATION:

ORDINANCE 12-2024: AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND CHAPTER 149 “EMPLOYMENT PROVISIONS” OF THE CODIFIED ORDINANCES OF THE CITY OF REMINDERVILLE, AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY. 3rd Reading. *DiCarlo*

ORDINANCE 17-2024: AN EMERGENCY ORDINANCE TO MAKE APPROPRIATION AND REVENUE ADJUSTMENTS FOR THE 2024 CITY BUDGET, AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY. 1st Reading. *Alonso*

RESOLUTION 46-2024: A RESOLUTION TO TRANSITION THE POSITIONS AND PAY RATES OF STEVE PAGANO, MICHAEL BERQUIST, JAMIE SIEGFRIED, AND MARCO BERQUIST WITH THE CITY OF REMINDERVILLE POLICE DEPARTMENT. 2nd Reading. *Alonso*

Mr. DiCarlo asked why the effective date for the new pay rates is in September rather than in January. Chief Berquist replied two of the administrative officers will be retiring in three years so the timing is for the benefit of their pensions. There is a three-year transition plan to get the other officers ready to take over the positions that will be available. This also will help retain staff by showing all of the officers the city will take care of them so they will want to stay and retire from here. The costs are available in his budget.

RESOLUTION 54-2024: A RESOLUTION TO REVISE THE CONTRACT FOR PERSONAL TRAINER STACEY O'KEEFE FOR THE REMINDERVILLE ATHLETIC CLUB, AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY. 1st Reading. *DiCarlo*

Unfinished Business

New Business

Ms. Task stated the Annual Kids Halloween Event at the RAC is on Saturday, October 26 at 1:00-3:00. She asked for volunteers to help at the activity stations.

Ms. Jeromos asked if there is an update from Summit County for their responsibility in the storm and is there anything more the city can be doing to help the residents. Mr. Gorog said their statement is that it was a 500-year storm and they are not responsible. He will continue to be in contact with them and while doing that he is working with a company to clean out storm drains and ditches. He is hoping the data that was submitted by residents not only in Reminderville but all of the other cities affected will help to get the storm declared an emergency by the State. Ms. Kovach added the city has spent a lot of money and has done a lot of work in the past years to try to resolve the water issues and sometimes it is just out of their hands.

Adjournment

Mr. DiCarlo moved to adjourn. Ms. Kovach seconded. All in favor.
Meeting adjourned at 8:20pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Stacey Task, Clerk of Council
City of Reminderville
Date _____

Walter Hoffmann, Council President