

**Rittman City Council Met in a
REGULAR MEETING
Monday, June 13, 2016
7:00 p.m.**

Members Present: Rick Hanlon, Brian Smith, Steve Johnson, Darrell Carey and Dave Williams
Members Absent: Ken Park
Presiding: Mayor William Robertson

The invocation was given by Rick Thompson followed by the pledge of allegiance.

Approval of Minutes – May 23, 2016

Carey moved to approve, all Yeas on roll call and **motion carried.**

Workshop

a. **Opengov.com Presentation**

A slide show presentation was given remotely on the new Opengov financial transparency portal. The website will be updated monthly. The cost of this was \$4,000.00.

Citizens Forum

Tim Stefanko of 44 Salt Court
Mark Dalziel of 188 W. Sunset Drive
Greg Tekautz of 244 Baker Drive
Kimberly Stefanko of 6 S. Third Street
Larry Griffin of 53 Salt Court
Curtis Russell of 80 Greenwood
Jeff Stefanko of 6 S. Third Street
Tony Kelley of 17 and 19 N. Main Street
Kathy Sample of 176 Louise Street
Carl Bratcher of 272 Nautilus Lane
Chuck McCurdy of 53 N. Fourth Street
Kevin Ratta of 300 N. Seneca Street
Angela Bucy of 60 Washington Street
Miranda Walsh of 190 Sterling Avenue
Jason Frankhauser of 92 Willow Street
Tyler Tucker formerly of 104 Nautilus Lane

Attended the Council meeting to voice their opinion about the ban of ATV's in the City.

Bruce Lindenmuth of 13136 Doylestown Road
Betty Winchell of 606 Rufener Ext.

Attended the Council meeting to voice their opinion on amending water and sewer rates of churches.

Ray Tetwiler of 100 Pondview Circle
Marge Skinner of 110 Pondview Circle

Attended the Council meeting to voice their concerns about a nursery across the street from them loading salt at 3:00 a.m. – 4:00 a.m. and waking them up. The noise is terrible. Is this a residential or commercial area? The nursery is also becoming an eyesore. Something needs to be done.

Pam Wolfe of 145 W. Sunset Drive and also representing the Rittman Rotary would like to know if there is any indication as to when the handicapped swing will be installed at the park? Larry advised the swing came in a couple of weeks ago.

Old Business

a. **Motion to Remove Ord. No. 7949 from the Table**

No motion was made and Ord. No. 7949 **DIED on the Table.**

Carey commented the original complaint was from an individual that had a neighbor who rode their ATV around their backyard to the point that there was no grass. When it rained it washed mud and sludge through his yard and driveway. That was his only concern. More discussion was made on this issue. The original intent was not about the noise, it was about the erosion of other people's property. The question was asked that wouldn't this fall under the property maintenance code? Hanlon commented that the property maintenance code does not, will not and cannot enforce landscaping.

b. **Ord. No. 7949 An Ordinance of the Council of the City of Rittman, Wayne and Medina Counties and State of Ohio, Amending Section 377.03, (a) (2) Code Application; Prohibited Operation. Third Reading.** No motion was made to remove from the table. **Died on the Table.**

c. **Res. No. 7952 A Resolution of the Council of the City of Rittman, Wayne and Medina Counties, Ohio, to Provide a General Election to Amend the Charter of the City of Rittman, by Repeal of Article X, to Amend Section 3.02, 3.08, 5.01, 5.02 6.05, 12.02 and 12.06. Third Reading.** Res. No. 7952 was read on third reading. Hanlon moved to adopt, all Yeas on roll call and **motion carried.**

d. **Ord. No. 7953 An Ordinance of the Council of the City of Rittman, Wayne and Medina Counties, and State of Ohio, Amending Chapter 971.01 (c) Water Rates; Service Fees, of the Codified Ordinances. Third Reading** Ord. No. 7953 was read on third reading. Carey moved to adopt and upon roll call Carey – Yes, Hanlon – No, Johnson – No, Williams – Yes and Smith – Yes and **motion failed.**

e. **Ord. No. 7954 An Ordinance of the Council of the City of Rittman, Wayne and Medina Counties and State of Ohio, Amending Chapter 941.05 (b) (5) Sanitary User Charges. Third Reading** Ord. No. 7954 was read on third reading. Williams moved to adopt and upon roll call Johnson – No, Williams – Yes, Smith – Yes, Hanlon – No, and Carey - Yes and **motion failed.**

f. **Ord. No. 7955 An Ordinance of the Council of the City of Rittman, Wayne and Medina Counties, Ohio, Amending Chapter 351.03 (a) Prohibited Standing or Parking Places, to Create an Additional Section (17) of the Codified Ordinances of the City of Rittman. Third Reading.** Ord. No. 7955 was read on third reading. Hanlon moved to adopt, all Yeas on roll call and **motion carried.**

New Business

a. **Proclamation – Amateur Radio Week**

b. **Ord. No. 7960 An Ordinance of the Council of the City of Rittman Wayne and Medina Counties and State of Ohio, Amending the Annual Appropriation Ordinance No. 7908, As Amended According to the Attached Sheet(s) and Declaring an Emergency.** Ord. No. 7960 was read on first reading. Carey moved to suspend the rules and have second and third readings. Carey moved do adopt, all Yeas and **motion carried.**

c. **Ord No. 7961 An Ordinance of the Council of the City of Rittman, Wayne and Medina Counties and State of Ohio, Amending Section 991.04, (a) Markers and Monuments.** Ord. No. 7961 was read on first reading. Carey moved to place on second, all Yeas and **motion carried.**

Discussion was made concerning whether there was an issue with people placing markers that were not in compliance. The Cemetery Board met recently and this Ordinance keeps the rules in line or consistent with the Ordinances.

d. Ord. No. 7962 An Ordinance of the Council of the City of Rittman, Wayne and Medina Counties and State of Ohio, Amending Section 991.10 (d) Transfer of Title and (f) Interment Fees and Declaring an Emergency. Ord. No. 7962 was read on first reading. Hanlon moved to place on second, all Yeas and **motion carried.**

Discussion was made on the reasoning for the rate changes. The question was raised regarding the interment fee to be charged a long-time Rittman resident who now lives in a nursing home outside the city limits. The Cemetery Board met recently and felt that this was a suitable solution.

e. Res. No. 7963 A Resolution of the Council of the City of Rittman, Wayne and Medina Counties and State of Ohio, Declaring it Necessary to Proceed with the Sidewalk Improvement Project for West Ohio Avenue from Main Street to Metzger Avenue and First Thru Fourth Street from the South Side of Ohio Avenue by Installing Sidewalks Where Necessary and Declaring an Emergency. Res. No. 7963 was read on first reading. Carey moved to suspend the rules and have second and third readings and upon roll call Johnson – No, Williams – Yes, Smith – Yes, Hanlon – Abstained and Carey – Yes. **Motion to suspend rules failed.** Res. No 7963 was read on first reading Carey moved to place to second reading and upon roll call Johnson – No, Williams – Yes, Smith – Yes, Hanlon – Abstained and Carey – Yes. **Motion advances to second reading.**

f. Ord. No. 7964 An Ordinance of the Council of the City of Rittman, Wayne and Medina Counties and State of Ohio, Declaring it necessary to Proceed with the 2016 Street Improvement Project for West Sunset Drive from Main Street to Decourcey Road All Together with the Necessary Appurtenances Thereto and Declaring an Emergency. Ord. No. 7964 was read on first reading Carey moved to suspend the rules and have second and third readings and upon roll call Johnson – No, Williams – Yes, Smith – Yes, Hanlon – Abstained and Carey – Yes. **Motion to suspend rules failed.** Ord. No. 7964 was read on first reading Carey moved to place on second and upon roll call Johnson – No, Williams – Yes, Smith – Yes, Hanlon – Abstained and Carey – Yes. **Motion advances to second reading.**

Councilman Hanlon suggested if Council wishes to invite Tim Stefanko to form a committee to look at the ATV/Four Wheeler ordinance. Hanlon said he would volunteer to chair a committee if Council wishes to form one to look into this issue. Hanlon will get with Tim Stefanko on this issue. Hanlon would also like a workshop in July to discuss the water/sewer ordinances.

g. Motion to Go Into Executive Session for the Purpose of Discussing Land Acquisition. Hanlon moved to approve, all Yeas on roll call and **motion carried.**

h. Motion to Come Out of Executive Session. Carey moved to approve, all Yeas on roll call and **motion carried.**

i. Motion to Approve the Financial Reports. Carey moved to approve, all Yeas on roll call and **motion carried.**

City Manager's Remarks

The City was assigned a new assistant engineer from the firm for the safe routes to schools and he has established a meeting with ODOT representatives from Ashland. Hopefully the grant can be salvaged and get more money. The intention would be to try to put sidewalks on Home Street and where they don't exist on Ritter. There is an

announcement of a new public works grant. The application needs to be in by September – it will come quick. If there are any ideas on what Council would like Larry to target, please call him. Perhaps Metzger or State Street. Perhaps a water or sewer line project that needs done.

Finance Director's Remarks

Announced that she will be presenting the tax budget next month.

Council Remarks

Thanked everyone for coming and voiced their concerns about their local government.

a. **Approval of Voucher #'s 4785 thru 4869 and Memo Expense #'s OM51609 thru OM51615.** A motion was made to approve, all Yeas on roll call and **motion carried.**

Adjourn: 8:45 p.m.

A motion was made to adjourn, all Yeas on roll call and **motion carried.**

Mayor

Clerk of Council