

**Rittman City Council Met in a  
REGULAR MEETING  
Monday, October 10, 2022  
7:00 p.m.**

**Members Present:** Chuck Wyatt, Amanda Nelson, Ken Park, Dave Williams, Josh Carey and Melissa Shows  
**Members Absent:** None  
**Presiding:** Mayor William Robertson

The invocation was given by Dave Williams followed by the pledge of allegiance.

**Approval of Minutes - September 26, 2022**

Shows moved to approve, upon roll call Williams – Yes, Park – Yes, Shows – Yes, Nelson – Yes, Carey – Abstain, Wyatt - Yes and **motion carried.**

**Citizens Forum**

None

**Old Business**

a. **Ord. No. 8314 An Ordinance of the Council of the City of Rittman, Wayne and Medina Counties and State of Ohio, Amending Section 735.06 License Issuance; Effective Period; Fee of the Codified Ordinances of the City of Rittman. Third Reading.** Ord. No. 8314 was read on third reading. Nelson moved to adopt, all Yeas on roll call and **motion carried.**

**New Business**

- a. **Proclamation – Fire prevention and Education Week.**
- b. **Res. No. 8317 A Resolution of the City of Rittman, Wayne and Medina Counties and State of Ohio, Certifying that When a Municipals Obligation was Incurred Sums were Lawfully Appropriated in the Funds to Satisfy the Obligation and Sufficient Sums Currently Exist to Satisfy this Obligation According to the Attached Sheet(s) and Declaring an Emergency. Three Readings.** Ord. No. 8317 was read on first reading. Shows moved to suspend the rules, all Yeas on roll call and **motion carried.** Williams moved to adopt, all Yeas on roll call and **motion carried.**

**City Managers Remarks**

Tomorrow I am attending the APA Conference in Cleveland which is the American Planning Association Conference. On Wednesday and Thursday, I will be in Columbus for the Ohio Municipal League Conference. It's a great learning tool and Council's always invited to go. Last Friday I attended the AMATS Annual Meeting which is where we receive our funding for our main roads and streets through grants. Rittman was on one of the slides as being thanked as well as Wayne County for Eastern Road because those were separate projects. Those were ARPA Funds, and thanks to our engineers who put the bid documents together to send timely to AMATS, we were able to capitalize on those onetime funds.

Library Ground Breaking Ceremony - The Wayne County-Rittman Branch Library groundbreaking ceremony was held on Friday, September 30<sup>th</sup>. There was a great crowd to celebrate the ground breaking and on the following Monday, a pre-construction meeting was

held. Our Rittman team attended and the construction crew commenced work immediately following the meeting. We look forward to this beautiful new library to Rittman!

Krabill Road Bid Opening - We had the Krabill bid opening on Monday, October 3<sup>rd</sup> and the lowest and best bidder is Melway Paving with a bid of \$138,401.00. We are working with our engineers as to next steps which includes a pre-construction meeting, signing of the contract and a tentative schedule of when the work will commence. As a reminder the monies for this project came from ARPA funds so many thanks to Council for approving this much needed resurfacing project for our citizens.

Roof work at the Recreation Center - The flat part of the Recreation Center roof is being patched as there were holes causing water to enter certain parts of the building. Following that work, a new membrane is being put down and then the sealant that will protect the work, will be applied. The warranty on this work is 15 years.

Solar Panel Project - I am happy to report that the solar panel project has been finalized and is generating power to the Waste Water Treatment Plant. I am not certain yet how much our electric bills will be reduced, however we will let Council know the savings in the near future. Thank you to Mike Brown and Matt Simpson and to Verde and especially Shannon of Verde who has been great to work with on this joint venture.

Trick or Treat - As a reminder, Trick or treat will be held on Saturday, October 29<sup>th</sup> from 4-6 PM.

### **Finance Director's Remarks**

Nothing

a. **Approval of Financial Report for September, 2022.** Shows moved to approve, all Yeas on roll call and **motion carried.**

### **Council Remarks**

Carey – nothing tonight.

Park – nothing tonight.

Nelson – you've noticed that all the pots are getting done, those should be finishing up pretty soon. If they aren't all decorated, I'll put pumpkins in them so they don't look empty. Out Meet and Treat which is the business Trick or Treat is October 22, from 9:00 to noon. If there are businesses that want to participate, they need to email me so I can get them on the list.

Wyatt – I appreciate Amanda and everything she is doing with the Chamber. It's looking good out there. I appreciate you guys coming tonight.

Williams – I also would like to thank Amanda for the projects she is doing with the Chamber and just helping the city look better. In theme with the Proclamation tonight, thank all of the first responders for what they do daily for us. I was glad this week to see Officer Kopinsky was at the C.I.T. Training in Wooster. It teaches officers how to deal with people in mental health crisis which is something we deal with every day. It's good to see our officers locally being trained to work with the folks in need and this Saturday night we have band show at the stadium and will be hosting a number of bands coming from afar, Milan, Sandusky area and also the Cleveland areas. And, thanks guys for coming out.

Shows – thanks Rudy and Cliff for coming this evening to this quick and exciting meeting. Again, I want to echo Dave and thank the RFD and all of their hard work. The training that they do and the work that they do with other departments, making sure that all of our first responders are trained. It was nice seeing them in the school recently when we did our fire drill. They often show up and are visual for the kids as we exit the building and practice the drill. The band show is Saturday. Also, tomorrow at the high school from 2 – 7 Ott's Coffee Truck is coming. They are donating proceeds to Rittman High School and

Rittman Middle School Student Council. They are always a real big hit. A lot of the kids are planning on being there.

Mayor Robertson – shout out to Jim Trogdon he saved the oak tree on the corner of the library property. They were going to cut it down and he didn't want to see that happen so he talked to Jennifer and they are actually rearranging a few things.

a. **Approval of Voucher #'s 16365 thru 16546 and Memo Expense #'s M92201 thru M92216.** Wyatt moved to approve, upon roll call Williams – Yes, Park – Yes, Shows – Yes, Nelson – Abstain, Carey – Yes, Wyatt - Yes and **motion carried.**

b. **Motion to go Into Executive Session in Accordance with ORC 121.22 to Discuss the Purchase of Property and to Invite the Mayor, City Manager and the Law Director– 7:14 p.m.** Shows so moved. Wyatt seconded the motion, all Yeas on roll call and motion carried.

c. **Motion to Come Out of Executive Session – 7:59 p.m.** Carey so moved, all Yeas on roll call and **motion carried.**

**Adjourn: 8:01 p.m.** Wyatt moved to adjourn, all Yeas on roll call and **motion carried.**

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Mayor

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Clerk of Council