

MINUTES FOR THE REGULAR SESSION OF COUNCIL
Tuesday, October 20, 2015 at 7:00 p.m.
Council Chambers

Council President Stephen Stuart called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

ROLL CALL

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| Council-at-Large & President: | Stephen L. Stuart | Absent |
| Ward 1: | Duane R. Fishpaw | Present |
| Ward 2: | Robert M. Valentine | Present |
| Ward 3: | Ruth G. Detrow | Present |
| Ward 4: | Sandra Tunnell | Present |

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Moved by Mrs. Detrow and seconded by Mr. Valentine to excuse the absence of Council Member, Dr. Stephen L. Stuart.

Ayes: Mr. Fishpaw, Mr. Valentine, Mrs. Detrow, Mrs. Tunnell.

PRESENTATION OF MINUTES

Moved by Mr. Fishpaw and seconded by Mr. Valentine that the minutes of the **Regular Session** of City Council held Tuesday, October 6, 2015 be accepted as submitted.

Ayes: Mr. Fishpaw, Mr. Valentine, Mrs. Detrow.

Abstaining: Mrs. Tunnell

LEGISLATION

Ordinances:

Ordinance No. 81-15

Item a)

AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE FILING OF AN APPLICATION WITH THE OHIO DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION (ODOT) FOR FY 2016 STATE OF OHIO ELDERLY AND DISABLED TRANSIT FARE ASSISTANCE PROGRAM AND THE DISCRETIONARY URBAN CAPITAL PROGRAM

Moved by Mrs. Tunnell and seconded by Mr. Valentine to invoke Section 113.01 of the Codified Ordinances as the distribution of the Ordinance has satisfied the requirements of said Section and that a further reading be dispensed with at this time.

Ayes: Mr. Valentine, Mrs. Detrow, Mrs. Tunnell, Mr. Fishpaw.

Mayor Stewart provided testimony.

Mayor Stewart stated that this is an annual Ordinance to comply with ODOT and the State to procure funding for the Transit program.

There were no additional comments.

Moved by Mrs. Tunnell and seconded by Mr. Valentine that the Ordinance be passed on the first reading.

Ayes: Mrs. Detrow, Mrs. Tunnell, Mr. Fishpaw, Mr. Valentine.

Moved by Mr. Fishpaw and seconded by Mrs. Tunnell that the rules requiring the reading on three separate days be suspended and that the Ordinance be passed on the second and third readings.

Ayes: Mrs. Tunnell, Mr. Fishpaw, Mr. Valentine, Mrs. Detrow.

Moved by Mrs. Tunnell and seconded by Mr. Fishpaw that the Ordinance be passed.

Ayes: Mr. Fishpaw, Mr. Valentine, Mrs. Detrow, Mrs. Tunnell.

Ordinance No. 82-15

Item b)

AN ORDINANCE RATIFYING AND APPROVING THE EXPENDITURE OF FUNDS FOR DISPATCH SERVICES PROVIDED BY THE ASHLAND COUNTY SHERIFF OFFICE FOR THE CITY OF ASHLAND, OHIO; AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY

Moved by Mrs. Tunnell and seconded by Mr. Valentine to invoke Section 113.01 of the Codified Ordinances as the distribution of the Ordinance has satisfied the requirements of said Section and that a further reading be dispensed with at this time.

Ayes: Mr. Valentine, Mrs. Detrow, Mrs. Tunnell, Mr. Fishpaw.

Finance Director, Larry Paxton provided testimony.

Mr. Paxton stated that this Ordinance covers the County Dispatch invoices for the month of September.

There were no additional comments.

Moved by Mrs. Tunnell and seconded by Mr. Valentine that the Ordinance be passed on the first reading.

Ayes: Mrs. Detrow, Mrs. Tunnell, Mr. Fishpaw, Mr. Valentine.

Moved by Mr. Fishpaw and seconded by Mr. Valentine that the rules requiring the reading on three separate days be suspended and that the Ordinance be passed on the second and third readings.

Ayes: Mrs. Tunnell, Mr. Fishpaw, Mr. Valentine, Mrs. Detrow.

Moved by Mrs. Tunnell and seconded by Mr. Valentine that the Ordinance be passed.

Ayes: Mr. Fishpaw, Mr. Valentine, Mrs. Detrow, Mrs. Tunnell.

Resolutions: None

PUBLIC HEARING ITEMS: None

OLD BUSINESS: None

NEW BUSINESS:

- Ohio Regional Development Corporation (ORDC) Presentation on Fair Housing
No representative was present so there was no presentation.
- Larry Paxton's appointment to the Community Reinvestment Area Housing Council Committee

Mayor Stewart stated that Mr. Paxton was suggested by the Committee to fill Council's appointment to the Committee and would accept if Council voted for the appointment.

There were no additional comments.

Moved by Mrs. Tunnell and seconded by Mr. Fishpaw to appoint Mr. Larry Paxton to the Community Reinvestment Area Housing Council Committee.

Ayes: Mr. Valentine, Mr. Fishpaw, Mrs. Detrow, Dr. Stuart.

COUNCIL COMMENTS:

Mrs. Detrow stated that she has had multiple complaints from business owners on East Main Street regarding the continued problems with traffic from the road construction.

Mrs. Detrow stated that she contacted ODOT and was informed that the lanes would be open and cones would be gone in three weeks although some work would still need to be completed.

FINANCE DIRECTOR: None

MAYOR'S COMMENTS:

Mayor Stewart asked Council to consider adjourning to Executive Session to prepare for Collective Bargaining Strategy and for the consideration of the sale of real property.

COMMENTS FROM THE AUDIENCE:

City resident, Rena Parma, addressed Council and audience.

Ms. Parma stated that she is relatively new to the community and is interested in researching the homeless population in Ashland.

Ms. Parma stated that she wanted to meet the City representatives and introduce herself.

Ms. Parma asked for any help with contacts to help her research.

Mr. Valentine stated that Associated Charities would be a good resource.

Ms. Parma thanked Council for their time and interest.

Mrs. Detrow thanked Ms. Parma for speaking and wished her luck in her endeavor.

ADJOURNMENT FROM REGULAR SESSSION TO EXECUTIVE SEESION: 7:12 p.m.

Moved by Mrs. Tunnell and seconded by Mr. Valentine to adjourn to executive session to prepare for collective bargaining strategy and for consideration of the sale of real property.

Ayes: Mrs. Tunnell, Mr. Fishpaw, Mr. Valentine, Mrs. Detrow.

ADJOURNMENT FROM EXECUTIVE SESSION TO REGULAR SESSION: 8:49 p.m.

Moved by: Mr. Valentine and seconded by Mr. Fishpaw to adjourn to regular session.

Ayes: Mr. Fishpaw, Mr. Valentine, Mrs. Detrow, Mrs. Tunnell.

ADJOURNMENT FROM REGULAR: 8:49 p.m.

Moved by: Mr. Valentine and seconded by Mr. Fishpaw to adjourn.

Ayes: Mr. Fishpaw, Mr. Valentine, Mrs. Detrow, Mrs. Tunnell.

Respectfully Submitted by
Elizabeth A. McClurg, Acting Clerk of Council