

ATHENS CITY COUNCIL: REGULAR SESSION, MONDAY, DECEMBER 3, 2018, 7:00 P.M.

Athens City Council met in Regular Session at the above hour with the following members present: Crawl, Fahl, Grace, Kotses, McGee, and Risner.

Also present: President Knisely, Mayor Patterson, Auditor Hecht, and Law Director Eliason.

Fahl moved to Amend the Agenda to add Ordinance 151-18, an ordinance amending the 2018 Appropriation Ordinance; Crawl seconded. Amendment was unanimously approved.

DISPOSITION OF MINUTES:

Fahl moved approval of the minutes of the Regular Session held November 19, 2018; Crawl seconded. Minutes were unanimously approved as presented.

COMMUNICATIONS:

Council Member Kotses announced the Athens City School Board will be meeting on Thursday, December 20, at 6:30 p.m. in the high school auditorium.

REPORTS AND COMMUNICATIONS FROM OTHER ELECTED OFFICIALS:

Treasurer McClure presented the attached 2018 Interest Income Report and 3rd Quarter Reconciliation. She noted that she has included October in the report to show the transfer of two CD's at the Hocking Valley Bank. The transfers were made to gain a higher interest rate. The interest at the end of September, \$183,338.07, is nearing the projected amount of \$208,548.

Mayor Patterson reported the following:

- Receipt of a letter with concerns about the condition of the roads in Athens County.
- Notice from Columbia Gas of Ohio informing the City that with the addition of a demand side management rider, as well as an infrastructure replacement program rider will increase gas bills by \$0.67 per month (a 10% increase in utility bill). The estimated increase will generate \$15.6 collected through both the riders.
- Attended a West Side Neighborhood Association meeting to address safety concerns.

ORDINANCES FOR THIRD READING:

0-121-18

AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING AN EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES LAND USE AND LEASE AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE CITY OF ATHENS AND THE ATHENS COUNTY COMMISSIONERS. Fahl moved for Adoption; Risner seconded. Adoption was approved unanimously.

0-122-18

AN ORDINANCE ACCEPTING AN EASEMENT ON HILLCREST DRIVE FROM THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF ATHENS COUNTY. Fahl moved for Adoption; Crowl seconded. Adoption was approved unanimously.

0-123-18

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING TITLE 39, WELLHEAD PROTECTION PLAN. Crowl moved for Adoption; Risner seconded. Discussion: Risner believes this is a very good example of self-governance to protect our water source. Adoption was approved unanimously.

0-126-18

AN ORDINANCE SUSPENDING ATHENS CITY CODE SECTION 7.05.03, CONTINUOUS PARKING IN THE SAME LOCATION, FROM, SUNDAY, DECEMBER 16, 2018, THROUGH MIDNIGHT ON TUESDAY, JANUARY 1, 2019; AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY. Kotses moved for Adoption; Crowl seconded. Adoption was approved unanimously.

ORDINANCES FOR SECOND READING:

0-131-18

AN ORDINANCE AFFIRMING THE MAYOR'S EXECUTION OF AN AGREEMENT WITH THE ATHENS CITY FRATERNAL ORDER OF POLICE, OHIO LABOR COUNCIL, AND THE CITY OF ATHENS COMMUNICATION OFFICERS, CONCERNING WAGES AND WORKING CONDITIONS.

0-132-18

AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING AFFIRMING THE MAYOR'S EXECUTION OF AN AGREEMENT WITH THE AMERICAN FEDERATION OF STATE, COUNTY, AND MUNICIPAL EMPLOYEES (AFSCME) LOCAL (1) CONCERNING WAGES AND WORKING CONDITIONS.

0-133-18

AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE SERVICE-SAFETY DIRECTOR TO ENTER INTO A LICENSURE AND LAND USE AGREEMENT WITH OHIO UNIVERSITY.

0-134-18

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING TITLE 11, BUSINESS REGULATIONS, CHAPTER 11.04, VENDING, PEDDLING AND SOLICITING; AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

0-135-18

AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO ENTER INTO, OR TO EXTEND THE AGREEMENT WITH THE BOARD OF ATHENS COUNTY COMMISSIONERS FOR THE PURPOSE OF OBTAINING THE SERVICES OF THE PUBLIC DEFENDER'S OFFICE THROUGH DECEMBER 31, 2019.

0-136-18

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING ORDINANCE 29-13, TO INCREASE SEWER RATES IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE ATHENS CITY CODE; AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

0-137-18

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING ORDINANCE 128-12; ESTABLISHING THE ALLOCATION OF SEWER SERVICE CHARGES TO THE SEWER DEBT FUND (758); AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

0-138-18

AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE SERVICE-SAFETY DIRECTOR TO ENTER INTO CONTRACT WITH THE EMPLOYEE BENEFIT SERVICE CENTER TO SERVE AS THE CITY'S THIRD PARTY HEALTH INSURANCE ADMINISTRATOR (TPA); AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

0-139-18

AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING A STOP-LOSS MEDICAL INSURANCE CONTRACT; AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

0-140-18

AN ORDINANCE TO MAKE APPROPRIATIONS FOR CURRENT EXPENSES AND OTHER EXPENDITURES OF THE CITY OF ATHENS, OHIO, DURING THE FISCAL YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 2019.

0-141-18

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING ORDINANCE 71-16; AUTHORIZING NON-UNION PAY GRADES; AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

0-142-18

AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING 2019 STAFFING LEVELS AND NON-UNION COMPENSATION; REPEALING ALL ORDINANCES INCONSISTENT THERewith; AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

0-143-18

AN ORDINANCE ADOPTING A FRINGE BENEFITS PACKAGE FOR NON-UNION PERSONNEL WITHIN THE CITY OF ATHENS AND REPEALING ALL ORDINANCES INCONSISTENT THEREWITH; AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY. Risner moved to amend Section 10, Professional License and Education Incentive Pay, to add language referencing pay for a Back-up Operator of Record; Fahl seconded. Amendment was approved unanimously.

0-144-18

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING ORDINANCE 54-11, WATER AND SEWER REGULATIONS.

0-145-18

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING ATHENS CITY CODE TITLE 9, GENERAL REGULATIONS, CHAPTER 9.02, FIRE PREVENTION, TO ADD SECTION 9.02.06, INSPECTIONS AND FEES.

0-146-18

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING ORDINANCE 41-10, CONTRACTOR REGISTRATION ANNUAL FEE.

0-147-18

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING ATHENS CITY CODE TITLE 11, CHAPTER 11.07, SOLICITORS AND PEDDLERS, SECTION 11.07.05, LICENSE FEE.

0-148-18

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING ORDINANCE 0-118-17; AND TITLE 1, GENERAL PROVISIONS, TO ESTABLISH FEES AS REQUIRED BY THE ATHENS CITY CODE.

0-149-18

AN ORDINANCE ESTABLISHING ATHENS CITY CODE TITLE 49, MANAGEMENT, ADMINISTRATION, AND CONTROL OF THE USE OF THE CITY'S PUBLIC RIGHTS-OF-WAY. Introduced by All Council Members

0-150-18

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING ORDINANCES 04-09, 03-11, 124-12, AND 124-14, AND THE ATHENS CITY CODE, ESTABLISHING SALARIES FOR CERTAIN ELECTED OFFICIALS.

ANNOUNCEMENTS & OTHER BUSINESS:

Mayor Patterson commended Tax Administrator Tina Timberman in her work with elected officials at the State House on tax issues impacting municipalities.

At approximately 7:30 p.m. Kotses moved to Adjourn the meeting; Fahl seconded, and the meeting was adjourned.

President of Council

ATTEST:

Clerk of Council