

TIPP CITY WORK SESSION

TIPP CITY, MIAMI COUNTY, OHIO

June 19, 2017

Work Session

The work session began at 7:00 pm. The following Council members were present: President Joe Gibson, Mayor Pat Hale, Carrie Arblaster, Katie Berbach, John Kessler, Tom Merritt and Matt Owen. Also attending was City Manager Tim Eggleston, Law Director Jonathan Freeman, Finance Director John Green, Director of Municipal Services and Engineering John Donnelly, Police Chief Eric Burris, Fire Chief Steve Kessler and Clerk of Council Janice Bates. Reporters Nancy Bowman and Cecilia Fox were also in attendance.

Others in attendance include Abby Bowling and Michael Brewer.

Overpass Study Proposal

Mr. Eggleston shared a proposal to evaluate preliminary alternatives in an overpass. Mr. Eggleston added, "We are quickly losing options". Mr.'s Kessler, Owen, Hale and Gibson all agreed to move forward in the evaluation.

Update in CR25A –
Meijer – Engineering
Costs

Mr. Donnelly informed Council the City received 13 responses to the Request for Qualifications for the CR25A widening project. Carpenter Marty was selected and their preliminary engineering cost estimate was \$300,000. Mr. Donnelly continued, "\$125,000 was budgeted in 2017 and \$100,000 has been pledged by property owners but is not currently in the budget. In order to proceed, we will need a supplemental appropriation for \$175,000 and a short-term loan from the General Fund which will be repaid through the property owner pledge and the 2018 CIP process." Mr. Eggleston added the City is also seeking OPWC funding for this project. President Gibson inquired if the estimated cost was high. Mr. Donnelly replied it was; however it does fall within the realm of ODOT's approvals. Mr. Green added this grant is approved, this would be affected in 2020/2021.

Mrs. Berbach inquired how this loan will affect the General Fund. Mr. Green stated it will not have an effect on the fund whatsoever. It will be paid back into the CIP Fund. Mr. Green added this has been done numerous times in the past. Mr. Eggleston added that Mr. Donnelly is continuing to work with the Engineer and we are "cautiously optimistic". Mr. Green added, this project would ideally be placed in the 2020/2021 budget.

OPWC 3-Year Pipeline


Mr. Donnelly provided Council with an overview of potential OPWC Grant Funded projects. The first option, is the CR25A widening as mentioned earlier and the second is the Main Street StreetScape project from 1st Street to the bikeway. Mr. Donnelly stated; "Staff recommends option A." President Gibson inquired about the StreetScape project. Mr. Green stated this project would still be completed; but from a different fun. Mr. Kessler stated the CR25A project was the better long term investment. Council was in consensus.

Adjournment

Meeting adjourned at 7:23 pm.


Joseph Gibson, President of Council

Attest: 
Janice Bates, Clerk of Council


Dawn Gross, Acting

TIPP CITY COUNCIL MEETING

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Council Meeting

The following Council Members answered roll call. President Joe Gibson, Mayor Pat Hale, Carrie Arblaster, Katie Berbach, John Kessler, Tom Merritt and Matt Owen.

City Staff in attendance include: City Manager Tim Eggleston, Law Director Jonathan B. Freeman, Finance Director John Green, Director of Municipal Services and Engineering John Donnelly, Police Chief Eric Burris, Fire Chief Steve Kessler and Clerk of Council Janice Bates. Reporters Nancy Bowman and Cecilia Fox were also in attendance.

Guests signing the register include: Abby Bowling, Mashell Stith, Tom Bolton, JD Foust, Andrew Doviak, Mike Dungan, Rick Mosier, Erik Nordquist, Nichele Stockslager, Scott George, Johnna Smith, Nicole McClurg, Gretta Kumpf, Steve Booher, Laurel Booher, Martin English, Ed Wingham.

Invocation and Pledge of Allegiance

Mayor Hale gave the prayer for guidance. President Gibson led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Approval of Agenda

Ms. Berbach moved to approve the agenda. Mr. Owen seconded. Motion carried.

**Minutes
5/15/17 Study Session**

Mr. Kessler moved to approve the minutes of the May 15, 2017 Study Session. Ms. Berbach seconded. Motion carried.

5/15/17 Council Meeting

Mr. Kessler moved to approve the minutes of the May 15, 2017 Council Meeting. Mr. Owen seconded. Motion carried.

6/5/17 Council Meeting

Mr. Kessler moved to approve the minutes of the June 5, 2017 Council Meeting. Ms. Berbach seconded. President Gibson moved to amend the minutes to correct the typo from lite to light. Ms. Berbach seconded. Vote was taken on the amended minutes. Motion carried.

**Presentations,
Proclamations, &
Awards**

Mayor Hale read a proclamation for United Way Awareness.

**Ordinances
(2nd Reading)**

There were none.

**Resolutions
Surplus Property**

A resolution declaring personal property owned by the City of Tipp City as surplus property and no longer useful in the general operation of the City.

City Manager Comments: This resolution declares seven City owned vehicles as surplus.

- 2004 F-150 4x4 Regular Cab Pickup Truck – Engineering Dept.
- 2003 GMC 1500 – Water Department
- 2007 Ford Crown Victoria – Municipal Services Department
- 2010 & 2011 Ford Crown Victoria – Police Department
- 2007 F-250 Ford Pickup Truck – Electric Department

2006 Terex Bucket Truck – Electric Department

Mayor Hale moved to approve the resolution. Ms. Berbach seconded. Motion carried. Resolution 18-17 was declared adopted and President Gibson affixed his signature in witness thereto.

Police & Fire Pension Fund

A resolution of the City of Tipp City, Ohio to establish a new pick-up plan for Fire Employee Contributions to the Police and Fire Pension Fund.

City Manager Comments: With the hiring of the City's first full-time Fire Department employee, the City is required to establish a Fire reporting group for the Ohio Police and Fire Pension Fund. The Ohio Police and Fire Pension Fund has recently mandated that cities that all Cities who have previously adopted a pick-up plan for the 10% employee contribution to the Pension Plan must pass a resolution their intent to continue this plan. This resolution will "pick-up" (federal and state income tax deferral) the employee's retirement contribution. There is no cost for the City to participate in this plan. Tipp City has had a "pick-up" plan since the early 1990's.

Mr. Kessler moved to approve the resolution. Ms. Berbach seconded. Motion carried. Resolution 19-17 was declared adopted and President Gibson affixed his signature in witness thereto.

Fieldstone PRD

A resolution approving the revised preliminary plan for the Fieldstone Place Planned Residential Development Subdivision.

City Manager Comments: The Preliminary Plan for the Fieldstone Place Senior Living Campus Planned Residential Subdivision was initially recommended by the Planning Board at their June 12, 2007 meeting. Council approved this recommendation with Resolution 22-07. The initial project failed to move forward due to financing issues. A new developer is now proposing a revised Preliminary Plan to both Randall Residence and a new single-family residential homes. The originally proposed Independent Living Cottages have been removed and replaced with 77 single-family lots.

Mr. Kessler moved to approve the resolution. Mr. Owen seconded. Motion carried. Vote was 6-1; Ms. Berbach voted no. Resolution 20-17 was declared adopted and President Gibson affixed his signature in witness thereto.

Choice One Engineering

A resolution authorizing the City Manager to enter into an agreement with Choice One Engineering for the engineering design of the State Route 571 StreetScape Project at a total cost of \$174,034.

City Manager Comments: This resolution authorizes the City Manager to enter into an agreement with Choice One Engineering for their engineering design services on the State Route 571 StreetScape Project at a cost of \$174,034.

**Ordinances
(1st Reading)
Amending Code Section
154.11 (H)**

Mr. Kessler moved to approve the resolution. Mr. Merritt seconded. Motion carried. Resolution 21-17 was declared adopted and President Gibson affixed his signature in witness thereto.

An ordinance modifying Code Section 154.11 (H) regarding scoreboard signs.

City Manager Comments: This ordinance modifies Code Section 154.11 (H) of the Tipp City Code of Ordinances regarding scoreboard signs to include the following:

- a. Scoreboard signs shall be located on and be accessory to an athletic stadium actively used for athletic events.
- b. Scoreboard signs shall be permitted at City Park.
- c. Sponsorship and/or advertising on scoreboard signs is permitted.
- d. Changeable copy signage and/or electronic message centers on scoreboard signs is permitted.
- e. Instant replays and/or other non-static messages are permitted.
- f. Scoreboard signs shall have a maximum height of 35 feet.
- g. Scoreboard signs shall have a maximum area of 625 square feet.

Mayor Hale introduced the ordinance.

Motions

A motion to request or not request a public hearing on the issuance of a new C1 & D2 liquor license to Caseys Marketing Co. at 1981 Donn Davis Way.

City Manager Comments: The City has received notice from the Ohio Division of Liquor Control regarding the proposed issuance of a new C1 & D2 Liquor Permit Caseys Marketing Co located at 1981 Donn Davis Way. This permit allows them to sell beer only for on premises consumption or in original sealed containers for carry-out only until 1:00 am. The Police Department has no objection to the issuance of this liquor license. No action on this matter is required unless Council wishes to object to the issuance of this liquor license.

Ms. Berbach moved to not request a public hearing. Mr. Kessler seconded. Motion carried.

Miscellaneous

There were none.

**Citizen Comments on
Items not on the
Agenda**

There were none.

**Councilmember
Comments**

Mr. Merritt thanked Mr. Donnelly for his presentation during the Study Session. Mr. Merritt informed everyone he had the opportunity to attend Canal Fest and "it was a lot of fun". Mr. Merritt also let everyone know that Council will soon be voting on the refuse bids, and if anyone has any concerns

about this, to please contact their Council Members. Mr. Merritt wished Happy belated Father's Day to all the Fathers.

Ms. Arblaster apologized for missing the previous meeting due to the death in her family. "I appreciate being excused from that meeting." Ms. Arblaster reminded everyone there is still things to do in Tipp City and Downtown. Ms. Arblaster also wished all of the Father's a Happy Father's Day.

Mr. Owen stated he is "excited for the overpass study". "I am looking forward to seeing what those results would be and what our options are". Mr. Owen reminded everyone that the pool is open and active. "I love our pool and I love the recent updates we have done to the pool". Mr. Owen thanked Mayor Hale for issuing the proclamation for the local United Way and Deb Carr.

Ms. Berbach informed everyone there has been a recent scam in Tipp City regarding the Electric Service. Ms. Berbach stressed, "The Tipp City Electric Department is not calling residents and do not give them any of your information". Ms. Berbach reminded everyone that Kyle Park is once again active with the end of baseball and soccer beginning, "please be safe, be careful and to drive slowly. There is no need to speed".

Mr. Kessler also warned everyone of the current IRS scam. "The IRS does not make phone calls, they send certified letters". Please do not provide them with any information over the phone.

Mayor Hale informed everyone he attended the ribbon cutting for Browse Awhile Bookstore. "They have done a nice job repainting and the fire restoration was well done". Mayor Hale informed everyone he will not be at the next meeting as he will be attending the American Public Power Association Summer Fly-In; Mayor Hale stated he is in favor of the ordinance for the scoreboard passing.

President Gibson stated he too was at the Canal Music Fest. "It was a great time. Weather was perfect and I ran into some old friends from West Liberty, Ohio. Huge crowd and the band was pretty good too. Congratulations to the Tipp City Arts Council for that. Well done and continued success to them. Also congratulations to the Antique and Artisan Show. There is still plenty going on. The Farmer's Market is on Thursday's, our pool is open and the First Friday's are coming".

President Gibson reminded everyone Council will be on their summer schedule and will not have a meeting the first Monday in July. "We will have our next meeting July 17th".

President Gibson also thanked those in the audience for their support of the issues. President Gibson also encouraged residents to share their concerns regarding refuse collection with their Council Members. President Gibson thanked Mayor Hale for his participation in APPA.

President Gibson reminded everyone "these proceedings have been recorded and will be rebroadcast over the next two weeks on the local cable access station. In this area, it is KITTV Channel 5 of the Spectrum cable lineup.

You can also download meetings of City Council, Monroe Township and the School Board or other community events by logging onto kittv.org.”

**City Manager
Comments**

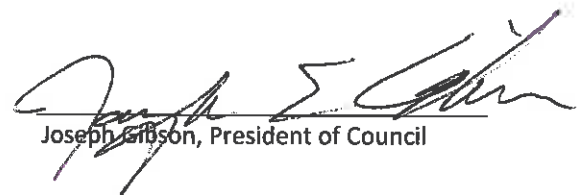
Mr. Eggleston let everyone know the fireworks display will be on Tuesday, July 4th with a rain date of Wednesday, July 5th. Additionally the City has received donations from 13 sponsors for the fireworks display each donating \$125. Their names will be announced at the event and there is still time to give. “We thank those who have so far participated and offsetting the cost of the fireworks”.


Mr. Eggleston informed everyone the City has received a grant for dog drinking fountains at Kyle Park as well as for the Splash Pad at the Aquatic Center.

Adjournment

Ms. Berbach moved to adjourn. Mayor Hale seconded. Motion carried.

Meeting adjourned at 8:10 pm.


Joseph Gibson, President of Council

Attest: 
~~Janice Bates~~, Clerk of Council
Dawn Gross, Acting