

RECORD OF PROCEEDINGS

MEETING OF COUNCIL

December 9, 2019

Mayor O'Callaghan called the City of Union council meeting to order on Monday, December 9, 2019 at 7:30 p.m.

Attendance was taken and the following council members were present: Mayor O'Callaghan, Mrs. Oberer, Mrs. Huggins, Mr. Blackwell, Mrs. Perkins, Mr. Bruns, and Mrs. Kyle.

Other city staff members attending the meeting were John Applegate, City Manager, Denise Winemiller, Clerk of Council, and Joe Moore, Law Director.

Mayor O'Callaghan called for a moment of silence.

1. Mayor O'Callaghan asked if there were any additions, deletions or corrections for the minutes of the November 12, 2019 council meeting. There were no corrections so Mr. Bruns moved that the minutes be accepted as prepared. Mr. Blackwell seconded the motion. All concurred and the minutes were approved.

2. Citizen's and Visitor's Comments

There were no comments from the citizens and visitors in the audience.

3. Swearing in of Council Members for new terms.

Mayor Robert O'Callaghan	Term 1/20 – 12/23
John Bruns	Term 1/20 – 12/23
Jean Kyle	Term 1/20 – 12/23
Lynne Thomas-Roth	Term 1/20 – 12/23

Mayor O'Callaghan asked for the current and new council members be sworn in all at once.

Mr. Moore asked that the Mayor, Mr. Bruns, Mrs. Kyle, and Mrs. Thomas-Roth stand and they were then sworn in to serve on the council.

4. **ONE READING** – ORDINANCE 1705 - AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE ANNUAL APPROPRIATIONS ORDINANCE FOR 2019 AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

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Mr. Applegate said this is a housekeeping item that is done every year. This ordinance is for any amendments for the 2019 appropriations. Mr. Applegate said it would need to be passed as an emergency so it could be in effect by December 31, 2019.

Mr. Bruns moved that Ordinance 1705 be declared an emergency for the reasons set forth in the ordinance. Mr. Blackwell seconded the motion. All concurred and the motion was passed.

Mr. Bruns then moved that they have the one and only reading and adopt emergency ordinance 1705. Mr. Blackwell seconded the motion. All concurred and emergency ordinance 1705 was adopted.

5. ONE READING – ORDINANCE 1706 – ANNUAL APPROPRIATION ORDINANCE FOR FISCAL YEAR 2020 AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

Mr. Applegate said he had been working with the budget committee and the amount of the budget is \$13,607,613.00. The police and fire levies passed so there were less adjustments to make this year. Mr. Applegate said staff recommended the adoption of the appropriation ordinance, to be passed as an emergency to be effective by January 1, 2020.

Mrs. Perkins said with the addition of the income tax that was recently passed, the city would be able to start their street maintenance program.

Mr. Bruns moved that Ordinance 1706 be declared an emergency for the reasons set forth in the ordinance. Mr. Blackwell seconded the motion. All concurred and the motion was passed.

Mr. Bruns then moved to have the one and only reading and adopt emergency ordinance 1706. Mr. Blackwell seconded the motion. All concurred and emergency ordinance 1706 was adopted.

6. ONE READING - ORDINANCE 1707 - AN ORDINANCE ESTABLISHING A REGULAR PAY TABLE, ASSIGNING PAY GRADES, STEPS/SALARIES AND MAXIMUM NUMBER OF FULL-TIME, REGULAR PART-TIME, PART-TIME (SEASONAL) AND AUXILIARY POSITIONS WITHIN THE

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CITY OF UNION FOR 2020 AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

Mr. Applegate said this ordinance establishes all of the pay rates for full and part time employees. This ordinance would need to be passed as an emergency so the pay rates could be effective by January 1, 2020.

Mr. Bruns moved that Ordinance 1707 be declared an emergency for the reasons set forth in the ordinance. Mr. Blackwell seconded the motion. All concurred and the motion was passed.

Mr. Bruns then moved to have the one and only reading and adopt emergency Ordinance 1707. Mr. Blackwell seconded the motion. All concurred and emergency ordinance 1707 was adopted.

7. Open Agenda

Mayor O'Callaghan said it had been a good year for Union and he was looking forward to another good year. He thanked Mr. Applegate and Mrs. Winemiller for all their hard work and said he appreciated it.

The Mayor thanked everyone who had attended the tree lighting, mentioning Santa, the police and fire departments, Covered Wagon where the cookies were purchased, Mr. Blackwell, Mr. Applegate, Mrs. Winemiller and her daughter, and Mr. Bruns.

Mayor O'Callaghan said that the park board would be going out on Thursday, December 12, 2019, at 7:00 p.m. to choose the best decorated homes for the holidays.

He wished everyone a merry Christmas and happy new year.

Mrs. Perkins said the trees looked beautiful. Regarding a comment about the red and green lights, Mr. Applegate said that they were receiving calls that people like the lit trees without the red and green lights.

Mr. Blackwell thanked Mrs. Huggins for her service on council and welcomed Mrs. Thomas-Roth. He also wished everyone a safe holiday.

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Mrs. Huggins, who was attending her last meeting as a council member, thanked the council for the opportunity to serve on council, and congratulated Mrs. Thomas-Roth and said she knew she would do a great job.

Mrs. Kyle and Mrs. Oberer also wished everyone a merry Christmas.

Mr. Bruns thanked Mrs. Huggins for stepping up and serving on the council and congratulated Mrs. Thomas-Roth and said he hoped she would enjoy serving her terms on the council.

Mr. Bruns mentioned the memorandum regarding the setting of the dates for the council for 2020. If there were no objections, he moved that they accept the future council dates proposed for the council. Mr. Blackwell seconded the motion. All concurred and the motion was passed.

Mr. Bruns asked if there was anything for a second meeting in December and Mr. Applegate said there was not. Mr. Bruns then moved that the second meeting in December be cancelled. Mr. Blackwell seconded the motion. All concurred so the next council meeting would be held on January 13, 2020.

He also wished everyone a wonderful, safe, holiday.

Mr. Applegate said he thought that 2020 would be a good year. He said they would be starting the street resurfacing program. He said he would like the citizens to see what the city could do with the funds collected. He said it would be very nice to see the streets paved.

Mr. Applegate thanked Mrs. Huggins and said it had been a real pleasure having her on the council and they would miss her.

Mr. Applegate wished everyone a merry Christmas and said he was looking forward to great days ahead and that it had been a real pleasure working with all of the members of council.

Mr. Moore said he would like to thank the council for the opportunity to work with them. He commented that his grandson's team had won a state championship and that the Moore family was going to have a happy and merry Christmas.

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Mrs. Winemiller said that the city was launching a new website and she invited people to check it out. She said it was supposed to be more mobile friendly.

She thanked Mrs. Huggins and Mrs. Thomas-Roth and said she appreciated their service and wished everyone a happy holiday.

8. Mr. Bruns moved that the council meeting be adjourned. Mr. Blackwell seconded the motion. All concurred and the council meeting was adjourned.

The next council meeting will be on January 13, 2020.

Respectfully submitted,

Denise A. Winemiller,
Clerk of Council

John Bruns, Vice Mayor