

# **RECORD OF PROCEEDINGS**

## **MEETING OF COUNCIL**

January 11, 2021

Mayor O'Callaghan called the City of Union council meeting to order on Monday, January 11, 2021 at 7:30 p.m.

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

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.

Mayor O'Callaghan said that Mr. Blackwell was working and unable to attend the meeting. Mayor O'Callaghan moved that Mr. Blackwell be excused. Mr. Bruns seconded the motion. All concurred and the motion was passed. Mr. Blackwell's absence was excused.

1. Mayor O'Callaghan asked if there were any additions, deletions or corrections for the minutes of the December 22, 2020 council meeting. There were no corrections so Mr. Bruns moved that the minutes be accepted as prepared. Mrs. Thomas-Roth seconded the motion. All the council members voted in favor of the motion so the minutes were accepted as prepared.

2. Citizen's and Visitor's Comments

There was no one present to address the council.

3. Appointment of Representative and Alternate to the Miami Valley Regional Planning Commission.

Mayor O'Callaghan moved to nominate Mr. Bruns to serve as the representative to the Miami Valley Regional Planning Commission. Mrs. Thomas-Roth seconded the motion. All concurred and the motion was passed.

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Mayor O'Callaghan said they needed to choose an alternate also. In the past, Mr. Applegate had served as the alternate but to be able to vote on items, it would have to be an elected official.

Mr. Bruns moved that Mayor O'Callaghan serve as the alternate to the Miami Valley Regional Planning Commission. Mrs. Oberer seconded the motion. All concurred and the motion passed.

4. Reappoint Glynn Marsh for another term on the Planning Commission. New Term will be from 01/21 to 12/24.

Mayor O'Callaghan asked if Mr. Marsh had been asked if he was willing to serve an additional term. Mr. Marsh had agreed to serve so the Mayor moved to have Mr. Glynn Marsh be reappointed to another term on the Planning Commission. Mrs. Thomas-Roth seconded the motion. All concurred and the motion passed. Mr. Marsh will continue to serve on the Planning Commission. Mayor O'Callaghan said he was glad to have him serve again.

5. Appointments of new Planning Commission Members, Christopher Gulliford (term 01/21 to 12/23) and Kenneth Prunier, (term 01/21 to 12/21)

Mayor O'Callaghan said it was his pleasure to introduce Mr. Gulliford and Mr. Prunier. He said they had two applications submitted and two vacancies. The council had been provided the information on both candidates and the Mayor asked if any members of the council had any questions.

There were no questions so Mr. Bruns moved that Mr. Gulliford be appointed as a new member of the Planning/Zoning Board. Mrs. Oberer seconded the motion. All concurred and the motion was passed. Mr. Gulliford will serve on the planning commission.

Mr. Bruns then moved that Mr. Prunier be appointed as a new member of the Planning/Zoning Board. Mrs. Oberer seconded the motion. All concurred and Mr. Prunier will now be a member of the Planning Commission.

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Mr. Moore had both Mr. Gulliford and Mr. Prunier stand and be sworn into office. Mayor O'Callaghan congratulated both of the new planning commission members.

6. **ONE READING** – ORDINANCE 1723 - AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF UNION, OHIO, APPROVING THE EDITING AND INCLUSION OF CERTAIN ORDINANCES AS PARTS OF THE VARIOUS COMPONENT CODES OF THE CODIFIED ORDINANCES OF THE CITY OF UNION AND TO AMEND OR ENACT SECTIONS OF THE TRAFFIC AND GENERAL OFFENSES CODES TO CONFORM TO ENACTMENTS OF THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

Mr. Applegate said this was an annual ordinance to update the city's code. All of the ordinances and resolutions adopted in 2020 have now been incorporated into the city's codified ordinances, along with changes in state traffic code, and criminal law, which is also updated into the city code. Mr. Applegate said they are asking that this ordinance be passed as an emergency so the new regulations will be in effect immediately.

Mr. Bruns moved that Ordinance 1723 be declared an emergency for the reasons set forth in the ordinance. Mrs. Thomas-Roth 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 1723. Mrs. Oberer seconded the motion. All concurred and the ordinance 1723 was adopted.

### 7. Open Agenda

Mayor O'Callaghan welcomed everyone to a new year and said they were looking forward to good things happening in Union, the world, and the nation.

He also reminded all of the council members that they had information on filing their Ohio Ethics form and suggested that they make sure to get it done.

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The Mayor also welcomed the two new planning commission members and thanked them for attending the meeting.

Mrs. Perkins welcomed Mr. Gulliford and Mr. Prunier. She said she was very excited to read both resumes. Mrs. Perkins also said that the vaccine for Covid-19 was coming out and she recommended everyone to get it so the country could get back to normal.

Mr. Bruns also welcomed the new planning commission members and thanked them for volunteering to help the city.

Mr. Bruns said he had filed his Ohio Ethics form on line and it took him less than seven minutes. He said if anyone needs help filing, he would be happy to assist them. Even though it is not due until May, he recommended that they do it now and get it out of the way, and not be penalized.

Mr. Bruns asked if there was a need for a second meeting in January. Mr. Applegate said not at this time.

Mr. Bruns then moved that the second meeting in January be cancelled. Mrs. Oberer seconded the motion. All concurred and the motion was passed. Mr. Bruns said the next regularly scheduled meeting would be on February 8<sup>th</sup>.

Mrs. Thomas-Roth welcomed the new planning commission members. She said she had served for fifteen years and had really enjoyed it. She also said that she was glad Mr. Marsh would be serving another term.

Mr. Applegate welcomed the new Planning Commission members and said he had known Mr. Prunier from a long time ago.

Mr. Applegate said they were still working at the plant, weather permitting and that he was looking forward to a good year.

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8. Mr. Bruns moved that the council meeting be adjourned. Mrs. Thomas-Roth seconded the motion. All concurred and the council meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

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Denise A. Winemiller,  
Clerk of Council

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John Bruns, Vice Mayor