

RECORD OF PROCEEDINGS

MEETING OF COUNCIL

October 26, 2020

Mayor O'Callaghan called the City of Union council meeting to order on Monday, October 26, 2020 at 7:30 p.m.

Attendance was taken and the following council members were present: Mayor O'Callaghan, Mrs. Oberer, Mrs. Thomas-Roth, 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 moved to excuse Mrs. Kyle from attending the meeting due to an injury. Mrs. Thomas-Roth seconded the motion. All concurred and the motion was passed and her absence was excused.

Mayor O'Callaghan said that Mr. Bruns had called in and was ill and he moved to excuse his absence from the meeting. Mrs. Thomas-Roth seconded the motion. All concurred and the motion was passed and his absence was excused.

Mayor O'Callaghan said that Mr. Blackwell had called and had to work so Mayor O'Callaghan moved that his absence be excused. Mrs. Thomas-Roth seconded the motion. All concurred and Mr. Blackwell's absence was excused.

Mayor O'Callaghan said that all of the council members were excused for being absent from the council meeting.

Mayor O'Callaghan said that they needed to amend the council agenda.

The first change was for # 3 on the agenda for Ordinance 1714. It needed to be changed as having the first of three readings. The Mayor moved that the agenda be amended. Mrs. Thomas-Roth seconded the motion. All concurred and the motion was passed.

The second change of the agenda was for # 4. The ordinance on an ODOT project was written to be passed as an emergency and since there were only four

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members present to vote, Mayor O'Callaghan moved that Ordinance 1715 be tabled until the next council meeting. Mrs. Thomas-Roth seconded the motion. All concurred and the motion was passed.

The agenda was amended.

1. Mayor O'Callaghan asked if there were any additions, deletions or corrections for the minutes of the September 14, 2020 council meeting. There were no corrections so Mrs. Oberer moved that the minutes be accepted as prepared. Mrs. Thomas-Roth seconded the motion. All concurred and the minutes were accepted as prepared.

2. Citizen's and Visitor's Comments

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

3. FIRST READING – ORDINANCE 1714 – AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE ANNUAL APPROPRIATIONS ORDINANCE FOR 2020. (three readings)

Mr. Applegate said that was a change due to the CARE'S ACT funding that the city has received.

Mrs. Thomas-Roth moved to have the first reading of Ordinance 1714. Mrs. Oberer seconded the motion. All concurred and Ordinance 1713 was passed to the second reading.

4. Open Agenda

Mayor O'Callaghan reminded everyone that there was an important election coming up on November 3rd. He said he would appreciate Union residents voting for the street levy renewal on the ballot.

The Mayor said the City was going to have Trick or Treat on Saturday, October 31, from 6:00 pm to 8:00 pm. He cautioned everyone out there to be safe. He said if people wanted to participate, they could turn on their porch lights. He

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said the latest city newsletter was fabulous and had information in there about Halloween and also safety informational links on the city's web site.

Mayor O'Callaghan also commented that the leaf pickup program had started and there were some delays due to the rain.

Mrs. Thomas-Roth said she had voted early at Montgomery County and was very impressed. She said it took her 20 minutes and they were keeping the people moving. She said in this time of mostly bad news, she had a good voting experience.

Mr. Applegate said they were keeping busy working on the wastewater treatment plant improvements and also at the old church property on Martindale Road. He said the city was working on the storm sewer at Phillipsburg-Union Road, doing the leaf pickup in the city, and decorating for the holidays.

Mayor O'Callaghan said they would not be having the tree lighting gathering this year due to the Covid-19 restrictions. The tree would be lit but no ceremony this year.

5. Mrs. Thomas-Roth moved that the council meeting be adjourned. Mrs. Oberer seconded the motion. All concurred and the council meeting was adjourned.

The next council meeting will be on Monday, November 9, 2020.

Respectfully submitted,

Denise A. Winemiller,
Clerk of Council

John Bruns, Vice Mayor