

**City of Fairfield
Minutes
Regular Meeting of City Council
January 25, 2021**

Council-Manager Briefing

A. No briefing.

Business Meeting Call to Order

Vice Mayor Besl called the Regular Meeting to order at 7:00 PM.

Prayer/Pledge of Allegiance

Councilmember Paullus led in prayer and Pledge of Allegiance.

Roll Call

Councilmembers present included:

Attendee Name	Title	Status	Arrived
Mark Scharringhausen	Council Member at Large	Present	
Chad Oberson	Council Member at Large	Present	
Bill Woeste	Council Member at Large	Present	
Leslie Besl	Council Member, 1st Ward	Present	
Dale Paullus	Councilmember, 2nd Ward	Present	
Terry Senger	Councilmember, 3rd Ward	Present	
Tim Abbott	Council Member, 4th Ward	Present	
Steve Miller	Mayor	Excused	

Agenda Modifications

None.

Executive Session Requests

Councilmember Abbott, seconded by Councilmember Paullus, moved for Executive Session to consider the appointment, employment, dismissal, discipline, promotion, demotion or compensation of a public employee, to consider the purchase of property for public purposes, the sale of property at competitive bidding or the sale or other disposition of unneeded, obsolete or unfit-for-use property, and to consider confidential information related to the marketing plans, specific production techniques, trade secrets, or personal financial statements of an applicant for economic development assistance. Motion carried 7-0.

Special Presentations and Citizen Comments

Sherry Flaker, 820 Abbot Drive, addressed Council to recognize Acting City Manager/Fire Chief Don Bennett for his kindness when her son died. She stated that the city was fortunate to have someone like him in leadership and presented him with a small gift in appreciation for everything he did for her.

Public Hearing(s)

None.

Approval of Minutes

The Regular Meeting Minutes of January 11, 2021 and Special Meeting Minutes of January 19, 2021 were approved as written and submitted.

OLD BUSINESS AND REPORTS

Community & Public Relations Committee

Dale Paullus, Chair; Leslie Besl, Vice Chair; Terry Senger, Member

Development Services Committee

Bill Woeste, Chair; Tim Abbott, Vice Chair; Mark Scharringhausen, Member

Parks, Recreation and Environment Committee

Leslie Besl, Chair; Dale Paullus, Vice Chair; Tim Abbott, Member

Public Safety Committee

Mark Scharringhausen, Chair; Terry Senger, Vice Chair; Dale Paullus, Member

Public Works Committee

Chad Oberson, Chair; Mark Scharringhausen, Vice Chair; Bill Woeste, Member

Resolution declaring necessity of repairing sidewalks (including aprons)

Recommendation:

It is recommended that City Council authorizes and directs the preparation of a Resolution of Necessity for the sidewalk/driveway apron repairs.

Councilmember Oberson presented the second reading of this ordinance.

RESULT:	SECOND READING
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Next: 2/8/2021 7:00 PM

Public Utilities Committee

Terry Senger, Chair; Chad Oberson, Vice Chair; Leslie Besl, Member

Finance & Budget Committee

Tim Abbott, Chair; Bill Woeste, Vice Chair; Chad Oberson, Member

NEW BUSINESS

Councilmember Senger, seconded by Councilmember Abbott, moved to read all New Business by title only. Motion carried 7-0.

Public Works Committee

Chad Oberson, Chair; Mark Scharringhausen, Vice Chair; Bill Woeste, Member

Ordinance to authorize the Acting City Manager to execute and file an Ohio Public Works Commission (OPWC) Clean Ohio Grant Application and Agreement for the purchase of the 5742 River Road Property and declaring an emergency

Recommendation:

It is recommended that City Council authorize the preparation of legislation authorizing the City Manager to execute and file the application for financial assistance, and enter into an agreement with OPWC for a grant to fund a portion of the 5742 River Road Property Acquisition.

Councilmember Oberson presented the first reading of this ordinance.

RESULT:	FIRST READING	Next: 2/1/2021 6:00 PM
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Public Utilities Committee

Terry Senger, Chair; Chad Oberson, Vice Chair; Leslie Besl, Member

Ordinance to amend section 925.08(a)(5) of Ordinance No. 166-84 of the Codified Ordinances of Fairfield, Ohio, relative to the Sanitary Sewer Irrigation Credit program

Recommendation:

It is recommended that City Council authorize an amendment to the City's Summer Sewer Irrigation Credit program under Chapter 925.08(a)(5) of the Codified Ordinances of the City of Fairfield, Ohio.

Councilmember Senger presented the first reading of this ordinance.

RESULT:	FIRST READING	Next: 2/8/2021 7:00 PM
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Finance & Budget Committee

Tim Abbott, Chair; Bill Woeste, Vice Chair; Chad Oberson, Member

Resolution approving the amended agreement and by-laws for the Miami Valley Risk Management Association and authorizing the Acting City Manager to execute the same.

Recommendation:

It is recommended for City Council to approve a Resolution approving the amended agreement and by-laws for the Miami Valley Risk Management Association (MVRMA).

RESOLUTION NO. 1-21. APPROVED 7-0.

RESULT:	ADOPTED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER:	Tim Abbott, Council Member, 4th Ward
SECONDER:	Dale Paullus, Councilmember, 2nd Ward
AYES:	Scharringhausen, Oberson, Woeste, Besl, Paullus, Senger, Abbott

Motion to Suspend Second and Third Readings

Councilmember Abbott presented the first reading of this resolution.

RESULT:	CARRIED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER:	Tim Abbott, Council Member, 4th Ward
SECONDER:	Terry Senger, Councilmember, 3rd Ward
AYES:	Scharringhausen, Oberson, Woeste, Besl, Paullus, Senger, Abbott

Ordinance to authorize the Acting City manager to execute a claims run out and master group agreement with Dental Care Plus, Inc. AKA Dental Care Plus Group and declaring an emergency.

Recommendation:

It is recommended to adopt an ordinance with rules suspension and the emergency clause to authorize an agreement with Dental Care Plus, Inc. AKA Dental Care Plus Group for dental care insurance benefits and claims run out administration.

ORDINANCE NO. 9-21. APPROVED 7-0.

RESULT:	ADOPTED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER:	Tim Abbott, Council Member, 4th Ward
SECONDER:	Bill Woeste, Council Member at Large
AYES:	Scharringhausen, Oberson, Woeste, Besl, Paullus, Senger, Abbott

Motion to Suspend Second and Third Readings

Councilmember Abbott presented the first reading of this ordinance.

RESULT:	CARRIED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER:	Tim Abbott, Council Member, 4th Ward
SECONDER:	Dale Paullus, Councilmember, 2nd Ward
AYES:	Scharringhausen, Oberson, Woeste, Besl, Paullus, Senger, Abbott

Ordinance to amend Ordinance No. 109-20 entitled “An Ordinance to make estimated appropriations for the expenses and other expenditures of the City of Fairfield, Ohio, during a period beginning January 1, 2021, and ending December 31, 2021.” - Supplemental Appropriations

Recommendation:

It is necessary for City Council to pass appropriations to reconcile accounts. It is recommended that City Council authorize and direct the preparation of legislation amending the annual operating budget.

ORDINANCE NO. 10-21. APPROVED 7-0.

RESULT:	ADOPTED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER:	Tim Abbott, Council Member, 4th Ward
SECONDER:	Chad Oberson, Council Member at Large
AYES:	Scharringhausen, Oberson, Woeste, Besl, Paullus, Senger, Abbott

Motion to Suspend Second and Third Readings

Councilmember Abbott presented the first reading of this ordinance.

RESULT:	CARRIED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER:	Tim Abbott, Council Member, 4th Ward
SECONDER:	Chad Oberson, Council Member at Large
AYES:	Scharringhausen, Oberson, Woeste, Besl, Paullus, Senger, Abbott

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Recommendation:

It is recommended that City Council suspend the rules requiring a second and third reading of this Ordinance and adopt the appropriations listed above.

ORDINANCE NO. 11-21. APPROVED 7-0.

RESULT:	ADOPTED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER:	Tim Abbott, Council Member, 4th Ward
SECONDER:	Dale Paullus, Councilmember, 2nd Ward
AYES:	Scharringhausen, Oberson, Woeste, Besl, Paullus, Senger, Abbott

Motion to Suspend Second and Third Readings

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RESULT:	CARRIED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER:	Tim Abbott, Council Member, 4th Ward
SECONDER:	Terry Senger, Councilmember, 3rd Ward
AYES:	Scharringhausen, Oberson, Woeste, Besl, Paullus, Senger, Abbott

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Recommendation:

It is recommended that City Council suspend the rules requiring a second and third reading of this Ordinance and adopt the appropriations listed above.

ORDINANCE NO. 12-21. APPROVED 7-0.

RESULT:	ADOPTED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER:	Tim Abbott, Council Member, 4th Ward
SECONDER:	Dale Paullus, Councilmember, 2nd Ward
AYES:	Scharringhausen, Oberson, Woeste, Besl, Paullus, Senger, Abbott

Motion to Suspend Second and Third Readings

Councilmember Abbott presented the first reading of this ordinance.

RESULT:	CARRIED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER:	Tim Abbott, Council Member, 4th Ward
SECONDER:	Terry Senger, Councilmember, 3rd Ward
AYES:	Scharringhausen, Oberson, Woeste, Besl, Paullus, Senger, Abbott

Meeting Schedule

Clerk Wilson read the following meeting schedule:

- A. Monday, February 1 - Special Meeting 6:00 PM
- B. Monday, February 8 - Council-Manager Briefing 6:00 PM; Regular Meeting 7:00 PM
- C. Tuesday, February 16 - Special Meeting 6:00 PM

Executive Session of Council (if needed)

Council recessed to Executive Session at 7:25 PM.

14. ADJOURNMENT

The Regular Meeting adjourned at 7:50 PM.

ATTEST:

Clerk of Council

Mayor's Approval

Date Approved_____