

**Rittman City Council Met in a
REGULAR MEETING
September 27, 2021 – 7:00 p.m.**

Members Present: Amanda Nelson, Dave Williams, Leah Weirick, Philip Decker and
Melissa Shows
Members Absent: Josh Carey
Presiding: Mayor William Robertson

The invocation was given by Philip Decker, followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

Workshop

Jesse Rufener of GPD presented the Landis Ditch Study. Mr. Rufener discussed data collection and watershed monitoring. He also discussed storm and rainfall monitoring. Also discussed was mitigation approach and implementation along with costs.

Approval of Minutes – September 13, 2021

Shows moved to approve, all Yeas on roll call and **motion carried.**

Citizens Forum

None

Old Business

a. **Ord. No. 8244 An Ordinance of the Council of the City of Rittman, Wayne and Medina Counties and State of Ohio, Amending Chapter 991.01 Markers and Monuments to Create Paragraph (e) of the Codified Ordinances.** **Third Reading.** Ord. No. 8244 was read on third reading. Weirick moved to adopt, all Yeas on roll call and **motion carried.**

b. **Ord. No. 8246 An Ordinance of the Council of the City of Rittman, Wayne and Medina Counties and State of Ohio, Amending Section 171.54 Holidays of the Codified Ordinances of the City of Rittman.** **Second Reading.** Ord. No. 8246 was read on second reading. Shows moved to place on third. Williams stated that maybe Juneteenth should be added. Beshara stated that it was up to Council. Decker inquired if this changed the number of floating holidays. Beshara stated no, it would just be an addition. Motion to move to third as amended. All Yeas on roll call and **motion carried.**

c. **Ord. No. 8247 An Ordinance of the Council of the City of Rittman, Wayne and Medina Counties and State of Ohio, Amending Section 735.06 (b) License Issuance; Effective Period; Fee of the Codified Ordinances of the City of Rittman.** **Second Reading.** Ord. No. 8247 was read on second reading. Weirick moved to place on third. Beshara stated that we have not heard from the one in town. Shows inquired if they were served notice of this increase. Challinor responded that they have been notified and that she has spoken with them. All Yeas on roll call and **motion carried.**

New Business

a. **Ord. No. 8253 An Ordinance of the Council of the City of Rittman, Wayne and Medina Counties and State of Ohio, Amending the Annual Appropriation Ordinance No. 8200, as Amended According to the Attached Sheet(s) and Declaring an Emergency. Three Readings.** Ord. No. 8253 was read on first reading. Shows moved to suspend the rules, all Yeas on roll call and **motion carried**. Weirick moved to adopt. Bulp clarified that this was to correct a clerical error, there was no additional spending. all Yeas on roll call and **motion carried**

b. **Res. No. 8254 A Resolution of the Council of the City of Rittman, Wayne and Medina Counties and State of Ohio, Certifying that When a Municipal Obligation was Incurred Sums were Lawfully Appropriated in the Funds to Satisfy the Obligation and Sufficient Sums Currently Exist to Satisfy this Obligation According to the Attached Sheet(s) and Declaring an Emergency. Three Readings.** Res. No. 8254 was read on first reading. Weirick moved to suspend the rules, all Yeas on roll call and **motion carried**. Shows moved to adopt, all Yeas on roll call and **motion carried**

City Manager's Remarks

I have given you each a copy of the back of the Utilities Bill so you can see all of the information that is listed, if anyone has questions, you can look for the answer.

RECREATION DEPARTMENT DONATION: Ken Diebel former umpire of the Sunday Men's Softball League, is donating \$10,000 to our Recreation Center as a thank you for the relationship that was built between he, Garrick and Moose over the years. Ken lives in Florida now but does stop into Rittman to the Rec Center when he is visiting his family. We want to thank Ken for his generous donation by naming a softball at Fritz Park in his honor.

GRANT STREET WATERLINE BID OPENING: The bid opening will take place on Tuesday, September 28th at 12:01 PM. We will submit for the OWDA loan this Friday as this is the process that the city has been following per OWDA rules and guidelines for our previous loans for waterline replacement.

NATURE PRESERVE: Tomorrow as we meet on site with Hull and Associates and Haynes Construction for our bi-weekly meeting, we will start finalizing our punch list of outstanding items. We will also discuss with Haynes additional minor items that are outside of the scope but still within our budget to resolve. The entire process with Haynes has been seamless and we are hopeful that our opening date, will be met. I will keep you posted if anything else comes up.

COVID PROTOCOLS: Our department directors and chiefs continue following protocols for the safety of our staff and anyone with whom they come in contact with on calls, etc. The hospitals are overwhelmed and the State (if any) and Federal mandates are just weeks, if not days away, to continue to keep us safe. I will call a Health and Safety meeting when more clear protocols are ready to be put in place.

LAST DAY OF BRUSH PICK-UP: The last day for brush pick-up is on Wednesday, October 6th. We then transition into leaf pick-up which begins on Monday, October 25th. On your Council dais, is a copy of the back of the water bill with the leaf pick up information on it. We also post it on our website and Facebook.

Finance Director's Remarks

Nothing to tonight other than I look forward to discussing the Capital Plan next meeting.

Council Remarks

Shows – we are moving in the right direction; there has been a lot of positive feedback on the park improvements. Thanks to the Parks Department and Service for such a great job. Also, the Fall Festival for the schools have been cancelled at this time. There is talk about maybe doing something in the Spring.

Nelson – Chamber is holding a Fall Planter Contest. There are still planters open for decoration. The Judging will be October 23 at the Business Meet and Treat.

Decker – nothing tonight.

Williams – nothing tonight.

Weirick – nothing tonight.

Adjourn: 7:55 p.m. Weirick moved to adjourn, all Yeas upon roll call and **motion carried.**

Mayor

Clerk of Council