

**MINUTES OF THE JULY 5, 2016
REGULAR MEETING OF THE ALLIANCE CITY COUNCIL**

The meeting was called to order by President of Council President Garnes at 7:00 P.M. Councilman Rhome gave the invocation and led the meeting in the Pledge of Allegiance.

ROLL CALL: Sheila K. Cherry, Larry Dordea, James Edwards, Julie Jakmides, Donald Kline and Roger Rhome present.

Motion and second to excuse Councilwoman Cindy King. **MOTION PASSED BY ACCLAMATION OF ALL MEMBERS.**

Minutes of the June 20, 2016 Regular Council Meeting were distributed electronically to all members prior to the meeting. No additions, deletions or corrections were offered. The minutes were therefore accepted as presented.

COMMUNICATIONS:

1. Memorandum from Mayor Andreani RE: Appointment of Caitlyn Schneider and Sondra Lott to the Downtown Special Events Commission
2. Notice of Public Hearing on July 5, 2016 @ 7:30 regarding Resolution 34-16
3. Notice of July 6, 2016 Downtown Special Events Commission Meeting
4. Agenda for the July 20, 2016 Planning Commission Meeting
5. Memorandum from Mayor Andreani RE: Receipts collected in June 2016

Motion and second to receive and file all communications tendered to the Clerk. **MOTION PASSED BY ACCLAMATION OF ALL MEMBERS.**

ADMINISTRATIVE REPORTS:

Mayor Andreani: Reported that the technology incubator that was set up a number of years ago is being transformed into an entrepreneurial incubator. Approximately \$230,000 in funding that was invested for the revolving loan fund of the incubator is being returned to UDAG funds so that it can be re-invested into the new entity once it is established.

Discussed the appointment of Caitlyn Schneider and Sondra Lott to the Downtown Special Events Commission and asked for Council confirmation.

Motion and second to confirm the Mayor's appointment of Caitlyn Schneider and Sondra Lott to the Downtown Special Events Commission. **MOTION PASSED BY ACCLAMATION OF ALL MEMBERS.**

Safety Service Director Dreger: Reviewed Ordinance 36-16.

Addressed the request for a Civil Service exam for Assistant Chief for the Police Department. Position has been illegally vacant and no test given for approximately 8 years. Status of continuing the position is unknown and it is uncertain if any applicants will even test for the position. Director explained the rules against abolishing the unfilled position and was questioned by several Council members as to why this situation has not been resolved or addressed before now.

Assistant Law Director Morris: No formal report.

Auditor Knowles: Addressed the Municipal Income tax recapitulation and reported that he

hopes to have a recommendation for what if any funds could be put into a paving program in the next couple of meetings.

STANDING COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Properties and Lands: Cherry: Reported on the Stark County Community Action Agency “Beat the Heat” program to get air conditioners and fans to qualifying residents. Working on setting up a location for residents to sign up for the program.

Addressed Resolution 37-16 and asked for support on its passage tonight.

PUBLIC HEARING @ 7:30 P.M.: Resolution 34-16: Introduced by Council as a Whole: A Resolution declaring the necessity of an election on the question of approving the passage of one quarter percent (.25%) increase to the existing City of Alliance Income Tax for the purpose of general construction, reconstruction, resurfacing, and repair of streets, roads and bridges in the City for a period of five years; and declaring an emergency.

President Garnes announced the public hearing and Clerk Yost read the notice. President Garnes called for anyone wishing to speak in favor of Resolution 34-16. Thomas Barnes of 737 South Rockhill Avenue and Joe Wagner of 443 Vincent Blvd. spoke in favor of passage of the Ordinance. President Garnes called twice more for anyone else wishing to speak in favor of Resolution 34-16.

Hearing no response, President Garnes then called for anyone wishing to speak against Resolution 34-16. Joe Grabill of 824 Bonnieview Avenue and Cynthia Johnson of 1000 Front Street spoke in opposition to Resolution 34-16. President Garnes then called twice more for anyone else wishing to speak against Resolution 34-16. Hearing no response, President Garnes declared the public hearing closed at 7:52 P.M

Safety & Judiciary: Dordea: Commended the safety forces and all City employees for a safe July 4th celebration.

Commended the Fire Chief for attaining the grant for the equipment for the dispatch center and asked for passage of Ordinance 36-16 relating to that.

Recognized the family of former Councilman Curvis Rhyne and asked for support on Resolution 37-16

Planning, Zoning, & Housing: Edwards: No formal report

Finance: Jakmides: Asked for passage of Resolution 34-16.

Community Development: King: Addressed Resolution 37-16 and asked for support on its passage tonight.

Utilities: Kline: Addressed Resolution 37-16 and asked for support on its passage tonight.

Streets & Alley: Rhome: No formal report.

Public Speaks: Daniel Cherry of 1215 Jersey Street thanked Council for consideration of

Resolution 37-16 and the thought of bestowing such an honor on Curvis Rhyne.

Thomasine Allen of 1208 E. Patterson Street thanked Council for consideration of Resolution 37-16 and spoke of her father Curvis Rhyne.

Winfred Young of 22791 Courtney Road thanked Council for consideration of Resolution 37-16 and spoke of his father Curvis Rhyne.

Curvis Keller of 440 E. Patterson Street thanked Council for consideration of Resolution 37-16 and spoke of his grandfather Curvis Rhyne.

THIRD READINGS:

Ordinance 32-16: Introduced by Edwards: An Ordinance accepting and approving the replat of part of Lots 3777 and 3779 and all of Lot 3778 located at 304 West Cambridge Street in the City of Alliance, County of Stark and State of Ohio. Motion and Second to adopt. Voice Vote: Unanimous. **ADOPTED.**

Resolution 34-16: Introduced by Council as a Whole: A Resolution declaring the necessity of an election on the question of approving the passage of one quarter percent (.25%) increase to the existing City of Alliance Income Tax for the purpose of general construction, reconstruction, resurfacing, and repair of streets, roads and bridges in the City for a period of five years; and declaring an emergency. Motion and Second to adopt. Voice Vote: Unanimous. **ADOPTED.**

SECOND READINGS: None

NEW BUSINESS:

Ordinance 36-16: Introduced by Dordea: An Ordinance authorizing and directing the Director of Public Safety and Service to enter into a contract through the cooperative purchasing programs of the State of Ohio or to advertise for bids and to enter into contracts for the purchase of new equipment for the Alliance dispatch center at a cost not to exceed \$300,000.00; and declaring an emergency. Motion and second to suspend the rule requiring 3 reading and the rule requiring referral to the Finance Committee. Voice Vote: Unanimous. Voice Vote: Unanimous. Motion and Second to adopt. Voice Vote: Unanimous. **ADOPTED.**

Resolution 37-16: Introduced by Council as a Whole and the Administration: A Resolution dedicating the New Pavilion in Maple Beach Park in Honor of Councilman Curvis Franklin Rhyne who served the Citizens of Alliance for 48 years as an elected officeholder: and declaring an emergency. Motion and second to suspend the rule requiring 3 readings. Voice Vote: Unanimous. Voice Vote: Unanimous. Motion and Second to adopt. Voice Vote: Unanimous. **ADOPTED.**

Ordinance 38-16: Introduced by Edwards: An Ordinance accepting and approving the replat of Outlot 607 located at the Southwest corner of the intersection of East State Street and Brayton Avenue in the City of Alliance, County of Stark and State of Ohio. Motion and second to refer to the Planning Commission Voice Vote: Unanimous. **REFERRED TO THE PLANNING COMMISSION.**

OLD BUSINESS: None

ADJOURNMENT: Noting no further business to come before this Council, President Garnes adjourned the meeting at 8:12 PM.

SUMMARY OF ACTIONS TAKEN:

- Ordinance 32-16 ADOPTED**
- Resolution 34-16 ADOPTED**
- Ordinance 36-16 ADOPTED**
- Resolution 37-16 ADOPTED**
- Ordinance 38-16 REFERRED TO THE PLANNING COMMISSION**

ARTHUR GARNES, COUNCIL PRESIDENT

GERARD T. YOST, COUNCIL CLERK