

**MINUTES OF THE APRIL 2, 2018
REGULAR MEETING OF THE ALLIANCE CITY COUNCIL**

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

ROLL CALL: Sheila K. Cherry, Larry Dordea, James Edwards, Julie Jakmides, Cindy King, and Roger Rhome.

Motion and second to excuse Councilman Simeone due to a family emergency. **MOTION PASSED BY ACCLAMATION OF ALL MEMBERS.**

Minutes of the March 19, 2018 Regular Council Meeting were distributed electronically to all members prior to the meeting. No additions, deletions or corrections were offered by Council Members. Minutes were received and filed as presented.

COMMUNICATIONS:

1. Minutes of the March 15, 2018 Planning and Development Committee Meeting
2. Notice of April 4, 2018 Downtown Special Events Commission Meeting
3. Corrected Notice of April 11, 2018 Downtown Special Events Commission Meeting
4. Minutes of the March 12, 2018 Tax Incentive Review Council Meeting
5. Letter to Congressman Tim Ryan RE: Potential Changes to Amtrak service
6. Notice from Liquor Control RE New Application of RFHLEH LLC.
7. Memorandum From Mayor Andreani RE: Fiscal Caution Recovery Plan
8. Notice of Greater Stark County Career Expo 2018
9. City of Alliance Water system 2017 Consumer Confidence Report on Water Quality
10. Notice of the April 4, 2018 Newsom Tower Apartments Open House
11. Notice of the March 25, 2018 Well Spring Bible Church 5th Anniversary Open House
12. Memorandum from Auditor Knowles RE: Income Tax Recapitulation

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

ADMINISTRATIVE REPORTS:

Mayor Andreani: Announced the projected opening date of the new Sanders Brothers Market in the old Thornes on South Union Avenue has been moved up to mid-April and may be as soon as April 19th

Safety Service Director Dreger: Announced that 2 of the 3 recently damaged police cruisers are back in service and 1 may not be worth fixing due to age. The cruisers Council approved purchasing have been ordered but make take up to 10 weeks to take delivery.

Reviewed Ordinance 31-18

Reviewed the status of the road salt buying program

Questioned by Councilman Edwards regarding the NOPEC utility aggregate program and confusion citizens are experiencing due to notices from providers. Mr. Dreger along with Development Director Mazola, clarified the program and the sign up opt out provisions.

Questioned by Councilman Dordea why the anticipated leasee is not named in the attachment to ordinance 31-18. Mr. Dreger explained that it is due to required bidding and the exhibit attached is a blank exhibit

Assistant Law Director Morris: No formal report

Auditor Knowles: Reviewed the Income Tax Recapitulation

STANDING COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Properties and Lands: Cherry: No formal report.

Safety & Judiciary: Dordea: No formal report.

Utilities: Edwards: No formal report but noted the quarterly Water and Sewer Advisory Board meeting is April 6th at 10:00 AM in the second floor administration conference room.

Finance: Jakmides: Reported that she received a request to review a claim for vehicle damage by the Claims board at the last meeting. She stated she reviewed the information and believes the matter was refused by our insurance but not reviewed by our Safety Service Director prior to appeal to the Claims Board. Since it hasn't met the procedural requirements for Claims Board review, she will forward the information to Director Dreger for further action.

Community Development: King: No formal report .

Streets & Alley: Rhome: No formal report

Planning Zoning and Housing: Simeone: Absent. No formal report.

Public Speaks: None

ROUND TABLE DISCUSSION:

Councilwoman Cherry: Nothing to report or discuss.

Councilman Dordea: Nothing to report or discuss.

Councilman Edwards: Announced that at the last meeting he requested the Law Director prepare legislation to drop Clemens Nelson as our labor Counsel and find an new person or firm to do this work for the City. Since making that request, he has met with the Mayor, Safety Service Director, Auditor and Law Director and been informed that the Administration has several matters tied up with Clemens Nelson currently but will soon be seeking proposals for said work so he is withdrawing his request.

Noted he has been looking at SAFER Grants to help fund our safety forces and asked Councilman Dordea as chairman of the Safety and Judiciary Committee to assist him

Thanked Mayor Andreani for the clarification in the Fiscal Recovery Plan and stated that he now understands that some things subject to Collective Bargaining can't be discussed in open meetings so he now understands and supports the plan.

Councilwoman Jakmides: Disagreed with Councilman Edwards on the clarification of the Fiscal Recovery Plan and still takes issue with a lack of specifics on where the savings is projected to come from. Stated she will not support a plan that does not provide specifics on what Council is approving. Ms. Jakmides stated she believes actions cutting services may be coming and Council will be blamed for supporting said cuts by approving a vague recovery plan that doesn't specifically state what is coming.

Councilwoman King: Nothing to report or discuss.

Councilman Rhome: Nothing to report or discuss.

Councilman Simeone: Absent.

THIRD READINGS:

Ordinance 19-18: Introduced by Simeone: An Ordinance accepting and approving the replat of lots 8705 and 8706 located on the North side of Washington Street 250' West of McKinley in the City of Alliance, County of Stark and State of Ohio. (It was noted that this Ordinance was approved by the Planning Commission) Motion and Second to Adopt. Voice Vote: Unanimous. **ADOPTED.**

Ordinance 20-18: Introduced by Simeone: An Ordinance accepting and approving the replat of lot 3073 and part of lot 3075 at 411 West Main Street in the City of Alliance, County of Stark and State of Ohio. (It was noted that this Ordinance was approved by the Planning Commission) Motion and Second to Adopt. Voice Vote: Unanimous. **ADOPTED.**

SECOND READINGS:

Resolution 29-18: Introduced by Council as a Whole: A Resolution approving the Mayor's Financial (Fiscal Recovery) Plan in accordance with Section 118.025(A) of the Ohio Revised Code and declaring an emergency for the public safety and welfare. Motion and Second to suspend the rule requiring 3 readings. Voice Vote: 4 in favor 2 (Dordea and Jakmides) against. Motion fails. **NO FORMAL ACTION.**

NEW BUSINESS:

Ordinance 31-18: Introduced by Cherry: An Ordinance authorizing and directing the Director of Public Safety and Service to advertise for proposals and enter into a lease of the City owned portion of Alliance lot 2510 located on East Noble Street in the City of Alliance, Stark County, Ohio; and declaring an emergency. Motion and Second to suspend the rule requiring 3 readings. Voice Vote: Unanimous. Motion and Second to Adopt. Voice Vote: Unanimous. **ADOPTED.**

Proclamation: Introduced by Council as a Whole: A Proclamation Honoring Gaylene Butch for her dedication, commitment and service to Alliance. Motion and Second to suspend the rule requiring 3 readings. Voice Vote: Unanimous. Motion and Second to Adopt. Voice Vote: Unanimous. **ADOPTED.**

MISCELLANEOUS BUSINESS: Clerk Yost noted that the letter to Congressman Ryan regarding Amtrak Services was proposed to be signed by all member. If Council approves, the letter needs signed. Council members consented and the letter was circulated for signatures.

Councilwoman Jakmides noted the filing of a new public records law suit and the fact that it directly arises from the pending open meetings lawsuit. Ms. Jakmides expressed dissatisfaction that Law Director has not inquired of her if she has any documents that may be relative.

ADJOURNMENT: Noting no further business to come before this Council, President Garnes adjourned the meeting at 7:40 PM

SUMMARY OF ACTIONS TAKEN:

Ordinance 19-18	ADOPTED
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Ordinance 29-18	SECOND READING
Resolution 31-18	ADOPTED
Proclamation	ADOPTED

ARTHUR GARNES, COUNCIL PRESIDENT

GERARD T. YOST COUNCIL CLERK