

**MINUTES OF THE MAY 21, 2018  
REGULAR MEETING OF THE ALLIANCE CITY COUNCIL**

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

**ROLL CALL:** Larry Dordea, James Edwards, Cindy King, Roger Rhome, and Brian Simeone.

Councilwomen Cherry arrived at 7:02 and Councilwoman Jakmides arrived at 7:08.

Minutes of the May 7, 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. Notice of May 23, 2018 Historic Preservation Commission Meeting
2. Memorandum From Barb Sferra RE: Memorial Day Parade
3. Memorandum From Mayor Andreani RE: appointment to Downtown Special Events Commission
4. Memorandum From Barb Sferra RE: Hydrant flushing
5. Letter from First Energy RE: Customer assistance programs
6. Letter from Councilwoman Jakmides RE: Resignation from Council
7. Proposed Ordinance by Councilwoman Jakmides for forming a Charter Commission
8. Memorandum from Auditor Knowles RE: General Fund Expenses and Revenue

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

**ADMINISTRATIVE REPORTS:**

**Mayor Andreani:** Expressed condolences to Councilman Rhome on the recent death of his father

Updated Council on the status of discussions with the State Auditor's staff regarding the Fiscal recovery plan

Announced the times and locations for the Memorial Day parade and services

Asked Council to approve the appointment of Elizabeth Swaggard to the Downtown Special Events Commission.

Motion and second to approve the appointment of Elizabeth Swaggard to the Downtown Special Events Commission. **MOTION PASSED BY ACCLAMATION OF ALL MEMBERS.**

**Safety Service Director Dreger:** Updated Council on the Citywide Fire Hydrant flushing.

Updated Council on the construction of the Biosolids disposal system at the Waste Water Treatment Plant.

Reviewed Ordinance 35-18 and 36-18.

Announced a new Trash rate ordinance will be coming to Council soon as the first year of the contract is due to conclude.

**Law Director Arnold:** No formal report

**Auditor Knowles:** Reviewed the General Fund Expenses and Revenue and comparison to 2017.

Question from Councilwoman regarding election expenditure. Mr. Knowles explained it must relate to the Park Levy but would check and confirm.

#### **STANDING COMMITTEE REPORTS:**

**Properties and Lands: Cherry:** No formal report.

**Safety & Judiciary: Dordea:** Reviewed the Proclamation honoring the Fire Department and Commended the Department for 125 years of service.

**Utilities: Edwards:** No formal report.

**Finance: Jakmides:** No formal report.

**Community Development: King:** No formal report.

**Streets & Alley: Rhome:** No formal report

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

**Public Speaks:** William Alexander of 1039 Noble Street discussed the mowing of tall grass on vacant lots and parking issues on Noble Street.

Brandi Douthitt of 255 Shadyside Circle spoke of supporting a Charter Commission and the formation of a City Charter. Also thanked Julie Jakmides for her work on Council.

#### **ROUND TABLE DISCUSSION:**

**Councilwoman Cherry:** Announced she is still looking for new business to provide new revenue to the City.

Reported the Sanders Market is filling a need in the Northern end of town

Thanked Julie Jakmides for her work on Council and stated that it was a pleasure working with her.

**Councilman Dordea:** Stated there was a group here last meeting to give a presentation but did not sign up for public speaks so they said they would be back next meeting and they don't seem to be here tonight.

Commended Julie Jakmides for her work on Council and stated she certainly has had a positive

impact on the City.

Spoke in favor of Brandi Douthitt replacing Julie Jakmides and filling the vacancy

Offered condolences to the Rhome family on the recent passing of George Rhome and offered a moment of silence.

**Councilman Edwards:** Thanked Julie Jakmides for her work on Council.

**Councilwoman King:** Thanked Brandi Douthitt for her work supporting the police department.

Wished Julie Jakmides well in her future endeavors and with her upcoming marriage.

**Councilman Rhome:** Wished Julie Jakmides well as she leaves City Council.

**Councilman Simeone:** Thanked Julie Jakmides for her work on Council and wished her well in the future.

**Councilwoman Jakmides:** Thanked everyone for their kind wishes upon her departure.

Reviewed her proposal for a Charter Commission to go before the voters and reviewed the work she had done on the issue in hopes that someone will pick up the process after she is gone and move it forward.

Stated it is with some regret that she leaves City Council and hopes to continue her public service. Announced she is always available if needed for advice, questions, or an opinion.

**THIRD READINGS:** None

**SECOND READINGS:** None

**NEW BUSINESS:**

**Ordinance 35-18:** Introduced by Edwards: An Ordinance authorizing and directing the Director of Public Safety and Service to enter into an agreement to participate in the Ohio Department of Transportation's contract for the purchase of sodium chloride; 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.**

**Ordinance 36-18:** Introduced by Rhome: An Ordinance authorizing and directing the Director of Public Safety and Service to enter into a contract for engineering services for the design of the Union Avenue (SR-183) Streetscape improvement project (College Street to Columbia Street) with IBI Group in a sum not to exceed \$64,900; appropriating additional funds for such purpose; and declaring an emergency. Motion and Second to suspend the rule requiring Finance Committee review. Voice Vote: Unanimous. Motion and Second to suspend the rule requiring 3 readings. Voice Vote: Unanimous. **NO FORMAL ACTION.**

**Resolution 37-18:** Introduced by Cherry: A Resolution authorizing the resolution with respect to the public records act lawsuit and declaring an emergency. (There was a discussion of the numbering of the Ordinances and it was noted that Ms. Jakmides' Charter Government Ordinance was just an

informational correspondence and should not have been given a number. It was not listed in the Ordinance book and the book lists the proper numbers. This was just a mistake on the Order of Business sheet that has been corrected in the official records). 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 and the Administration: A Proclamation celebrating the 125<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the Alliance Fire Department. Motion and Second to suspend the rule requiring 3 readings. Voice Vote: Unanimous. Motion and Second to Adopt. Voice Vote: Unanimous. **ADOPTED.**

**ADJOURNMENT:** Noting no further business to come before this Council, President Garnes adjourned the meeting at 8:31 PM

**SUMMARY OF ACTIONS TAKEN:**

<b>Ordinance 35-18</b>	<b>ADOPTED</b>
<b>Ordinance 36-18</b>	<b>FIRST READING</b>
<b>Resolution 37-18</b>	<b>ADOPTED</b>
<b>Proclamation</b>	<b>ADOPTED</b>

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**ARTHUR GARNES, COUNCIL PRESIDENT**

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**GERARD T. YOST COUNCIL CLERK**