

**MINUTES OF THE JULY 16, 2018  
REGULAR MEETING OF THE ALLIANCE CITY COUNCIL**

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

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

Minutes of the July 2, 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.

**COMMUNICATIONS:**

1. Notice of July 16, 2018 Finance Committee Meeting
2. Memorandum from Auditor Knowles RE: City General Fund Information
3. Memorandum From Mayor Andreani RE: Request for an Executive session of Council
4. Minutes of the June 20, 2018 Planning Commission Meeting
5. Agenda for the July 16, 2018 Finance Committee Meeting

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

**ADMINISTRATIVE REPORTS:**

**Mayor Andreani:** Informed Council that the Chamber of Commerce sponsored Job Fair is Tuesday and encouraged attendance to make the event successful.

Noted the need for an executive session to discuss pending litigation with legal counsel.

**Safety Service Director Dreger:** Reviewed Ordinance 50-18 and stated that action on it is needed tonight.

Updated Council on the Neighborhood Initiative Program and stressed that there has been a big push to maximize the benefits of the program in eliminating blighted abandoned houses. Dreger further stated the deadline is coming near and Regional Planning is pushing to get all prospective properties submitted by August. He stated that if anyone is aware of a potential property that the City has not already targeted and pursued, please inform Michele Cutler in the building department.

Informed Council that the Administration is attempting to update the tree trimming ordinance to assist in recovering cost of handling dead trees in the street right of way. An ordinance on the matter should be ready for the next meeting.

Informed Council that the West Bound curb lane of State Street approaching Union Avenue is shifting again and crews will be working on repairs. The necessary repairs will mean some lane restrictions while work is being done.

Question from Councilman Rhome regarding the funding for Ordinance 49-18. Dreger stated that the funds have been shifted and there is adequate funding available to fund the City's portion.

Councilman Edwards questioned if Ordinance 43-18 is ready for action and Mr. Dreger stated that it was.

Councilman Dordea questioned the statements in the newspaper regarding the theft of tools from the Parks Department and Mr. Dreger clarified the status of the individual's employment and issues regarding his driving status.

Councilman Dordea questioned the procedure for addressing trash cans not being timely removed from the curblawn. Mr. Dreger and Law Director Arnold clarified the city ordinance on the matter and the preferred method of addressing it. Councilwoman Cherry stated that she is also attempting to address the issue with landlords when renting to tenants that routinely violate the ordinance.

**Law Director Arnold:** Stated that she has nothing other than the issues that need to be addressed in an executive session.

Motion and Second to enter executive session for the purpose of conducting a conference with Counsel for the Public Body concerning disputes involving the Public Body that are the subject of pending or imminent Court action pursuant to Ohio Revised Code Section 121.22(g)(3) and including the Council members, Council Clerk, Mayor, Law Director, Auditor, Safety Service Director and Attorney Eric Smearman. Roll Call Vote: Unanimous. Council entered executive session at 7:26 PM.

Council re-entered regular session at 7:52PM and resumed regular business.

**Auditor Knowles:** Reviewed Ordinance 49-18 and explained funding sources have been addressed so it is ready for action tonight.

Stated that there is grant funding available to replace old fleet diesel vehicles and the City will be putting together a grant application to replace 4 such vehicles.

Councilman Simeone asked for clarification of the funding sources for Ordinance 49-18 and Mr. Knowles provided it.

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

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

**Safety & Judiciary: Dordea:** Commended the Safety forces and other City Employees for the work on the Fourth of July Celebration activities.

**Utilities: Edwards:** Noted the Water and Sewer Advisory Board met on July 13<sup>th</sup> at 10:00 AM in the Administration 2<sup>nd</sup> floor conference room. The Board reviewed Ordinance 43-18 and recommended approval.

**Finance: Grove:** Reviewed the Finance Committee meeting held July 16, 2016 at 6 PM to review the budget. Stated the Committee believes the budget is tracking well for the first 6

months of the year with the department heads staying within their budgets.

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

**Streets & Alley: Rhome:** Asked for support on Ordinance 49-18.

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

**Public Speaks:** Brandi Douthitt of 255 Shadyside Court spoke in favor of a Charter form of Government and Alliance looking at forming a Charter Commission. Asked Council to act on the issue at the next meeting to get the matter on the November ballot.

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

**Councilwoman Cherry:** Nothing to report.

**Councilman Dordea:** Nothing to report.

**Councilman Edwards:** Nothing to report.

**Councilman Grove:** Nothing to report.

**Councilwoman King:** Nothing to report.

**Councilman Rhome:** Nothing to report.

**Councilman Simeone:** Nothing to report.

#### **THIRD READINGS:**

**Ordinance 43-18:** Introduced by Edwards: An Ordinance authorizing and directing the Director of Public Safety and Service to advertise a request for qualifications and enter into a professional services contract with the most qualified firm for the purpose of conducting a no feasible alternative study (NFS) at the Wastewater Treatment Plant and appropriating funds; and declaring an emergency. Motion and Second to Adopt. Voice Vote: Unanimous. **ADOPTED.**

#### **SECOND READINGS:**

**Ordinance 47-18:** Introduced by Simeone: An Ordinance accepting and approving the replat of part of lots 9566 and 8570, part of Outlot 264, and all of lots 8571, 9567, and 9568 at 2448 South Seneca Avenue in the City of Alliance, County of Stark and State of Ohio. **NO FORMAL ACTION.**

**Ordinance 48-18:** Introduced by Simeone: An Ordinance accepting and approving the replat of all of lot 9791 and part of lot 9790 at 2070 Federal Avenue in the City of Alliance, County of Stark and State of Ohio. **NO FORMAL ACTION.**

**Ordinance 49-18:** Introduced by Rhome: An Ordinance authorizing and directing the Director of Public Safety and Service to advertise for bids and enter into contracts for services to complete and carry-out comprehensive road resurfacing/paving for West Main Street (165' West of Florence Avenue to 185' West of Bonniview Avenue) and Patterson Street (Norfolk Southern RR Tracks to Mahoning Avenue) in an amount not to exceed \$380,000.00; and

declaring an emergency. (Noted that the rule requiring 3 readings was suspended upon first reading at the last meeting) Motion and Second to Adopt. Voice Vote: Unanimous. **ADOPTED.**

**NEW BUSINESS:**

**Ordinance 50-18:** Introduced by Edwards and Rhome: An Ordinance adopting and implementing Alliance Codified Ordinance Chapter 923 Small Cell Facilities and Wireless Support Structures; 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.**

**ADJOURNMENT:** Noting no further business to come before this Council, President Garnes adjourned the meeting at 8:08 PM

**SUMMARY OF ACTIONS TAKEN:**

<b>Ordinance 43-18</b>	<b>ADOPTED</b>
<b>Ordinance 47-18</b>	<b>SECOND READING</b>
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**LARRY DORDEA,**  
**COUNCIL PRESIDENT PRO TEM**

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**GERARD T. YOST**  
**COUNCIL CLERK**