

**MINUTES OF THE OCTOBER 1, 2018  
REGULAR MEETING OF THE ALLIANCE CITY COUNCIL**

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

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

Minutes of the September 17, 2018 Regular Council Meeting were distributed electronically to all members prior to the meeting. Noting no additions, deletions or corrections offered by Council Members. Minutes were received and filed.

**COMMUNICATIONS:**

1. Notice of the October 1, 2018 Public Hearing on Ordinance 52-18
2. Memorandum from Auditor Knowles RE: Income Tax Information
3. Notice of October 1, 2018 Claims Board Meeting
4. Letter from PTC Group RE: Mass Lay-off notice.
5. Letter from Councilman Dordea RE: Resignation.
6. Notice of September 26, 2018 Historic Preservation Commission Meeting
7. Minutes of August 22, 2018 Historic Preservation Commission Meeting
8. Agenda for September 26, 2018 Historic Preservation Commission Meeting
9. Memorandum from Mayor Andreani RE: Appointment of Jocelyn Zeedrich to the Keep Alliance Beautiful Commission

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

President Garnes noted the resignation of Councilman Dordea and noted acceptance of the resignation and appointment of a new President Pro Tem would be in order.

Motion and second to the resignation of Councilman Larry Dordea tendered to the Clerk. **MOTION PASSED BY ACCLAMATION OF ALL MEMBERS.**

Motion and second to appoint Sheila Cherry as President Pro Tem of Council. **MOTION PASSED BY ACCLAMATION OF ALL MEMBERS.**

**ADMINISTRATIVE REPORTS:**

**Mayor Andreani:** complimented the Parks Board for the successful work day at Butler Rodman Park on Saturday September 29<sup>th</sup>. The event was very successful with more than 100 volunteers and a lot was accomplished including a lot of painting and preparation work for anticipated future projects. The Mayor thanked the Regula Center at the University of Mount Union for all of the volunteers and work on the project.

Reviewed the need for Resolution 68-18 and stated that the Commission needs reviewed with some re-working of the Governance and funding mechanisms for the Commission. The Mayor asked that the Zombie fest at the end of the month continue as it is set and the leaders of the event already have everything set to go forward.

Asked Council for approval of the appointment of Jocelyn Zeedrich to the Keep Alliance Beautiful Commission and stated that she will fulfil the required “educator” position on the

commission.

Motion and second to confirm the Mayor's appointment of Jocelyn Zeedrich to the Keep Alliance Beautiful Commission. **MOTION PASSED BY ACCLAMATION OF ALL MEMBERS.**

**Safety Service Director Dreger:** Updated Council on the status of the Billing for Fire Calls. Stated that the system is in the black. The City has currently made about \$2,000 and the billing company has made about \$4,000 but this will even out now that a lot of the front end set up costs are out of the way.

Reviewed progress of establishing the leases on the Westville Lake Property. In the beginning the process has been slow and cumbersome but now that the first one or two are done it should be easier and the City should be able to lump several together at once to make the process easier.

Announced that Ohio Edison is working on the clean-up of the old Gas Plant property on Front and Patterson Streets. They have established an approved clean-up plan and will begin excavating contaminated soil. They will dig down and remove approximately 25 feet of soil and go through a clean-up process to eliminate the contamination. There is a public hearing / public meeting on the issue at Rodman Public Library on October 16<sup>th</sup> to have a discussion, answer questions, and reveal the plan to the public. Residents, especially 1<sup>st</sup> Ward residents in the area of the location are encouraged to attend.

**Law Director Arnold:** Informed Council that the development of the property affected by Ordinance 52-18 is on hold and may need some modifications. There may not be a need for the alley vacation and therefore the public hearing set for 7:30 tonight is unnecessary at this time.

Noted to Council that a public hearing is necessary on Ordinance 64-18 and 67-18

**Auditor Knowles:** Reviewed the City Income Tax Recapitulation.

Reviewed Ordinance 65-18 and the updated changes in Exhibit "A".

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

**Properties and Lands: Cherry:** No formal report but encouraged residents, especially 1<sup>st</sup> Ward residents in the area of the Ohio Edison clean-up site, to attend the public meeting on the issue at Rodman Public Library on October 16<sup>th</sup>.

**Safety & Judiciary:** No formal report

**Utilities: Edwards:** Announced the quarterly Water and Sewer Advisory Board meeting will be October 5, 2018 at 10:00 AM in the City Administration Building 2<sup>nd</sup> floor conference room.

Announced there will be a Utilities Committee meeting at 6:30 PM on October 15<sup>th</sup> in Council Chambers to meet with Ohio Edison and discuss infrastructure improvements.

**Finance: Grove:** No formal report.

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

**Streets & Alley: Rhome:** No formal report but acknowledged and thanked the Street Department for the work on street repairs recently. Noted they are doing a good job at patching things together with what they have to work with.

**Planning Zoning and Housing: Simeone:** Asked for Action on Resolution 68-18 tonight.

**PUBLIC SPEAKS:** None.

**ROUND TABLE DISCUSSION:**

**Councilwoman Cherry:** Nothing to discuss or report.

**Councilman Edwards:** Nothing to discuss or report.

**Councilman Grove:** Nothing to discuss or report.

**Councilwoman King:** Questioned the Mayor if there was any further information on the PTC Lay-off notice that the City received since the new Collective Bargaining Agreement was approved. The Mayor stated that he has received no further information regarding the issue.

**Councilman Rhome:** Nothing to discuss or report.

**Councilman Simeone:** Nothing to discuss or report.

**THIRD READINGS:**

**Ordinance 62-18:** Introduced by Simeone: An Ordinance accepting and approving the replat of all of OL 657 and part of OL 587 located in the 1900 block of West Main Street in the City of Alliance, County of Stark and State of Ohio. Motion and Second to Adopt. Voice Vote: Unanimous. **ADOPTED.**

**Ordinance 63-18:** Introduced by Simeone: An Ordinance accepting and approving the replat of Lots 12466 and 12467 located at 1048 Glenwood Drive in the City of Alliance, County of Stark and State of Ohio. Motion and Second to Adopt. Voice Vote: Unanimous. **ADOPTED.**

**Ordinance 64-18:** Introduced by Simeone and Rhome: An Ordinance vacating part of an unnamed 17.4' alley, bounded on the North by OL 332 & 333, Bounded on the South by lots 8185, 8186, 8187, 8188, & 8189, Allen Street, and lots 8190 & 8191, Bounded on the East by an unnamed 17.4' alley, and bounded on the West by an unnamed 17.4' alley; vacating part of Allen Drive bounded on the North by an unnamed 17.4' alley, bounded on the South by West Harrison Street, bounded on the East by lot 8190, and bounded on the West by lot 8189; and accepting and approving the replat of part of OL 332 & 333, all of lots 8185, 8186, 8187, 8188, 8189, 8990 & 8991 a vacated part of an unnamed 17.4' alley and a vacated part of Allen Drive, located in the 800 block of West Harrison Street in the City of Alliance, County of Stark and State of Ohio. Motion and Second to set a public hearing on November 5, 2018 at 7:30 PM. Voice Vote: Unanimous. **PUBLIC HEARING SET.**

**Ordinance 65-18:** Introduced by Grove: An Ordinance making appropriations and transfers of funds in the 2018 appropriations to provide for necessary expenses and adjustments; and

declaring an emergency. Motion and Second to amend to include the new Exhibit “A”. Voice Vote: Unanimous. Motion and Second to suspend the rule requiring three readings. Voice Vote: Unanimous. Motion and Second to Adopt as Amended. Voice Vote: Unanimous. **ADOPTED AS AMENDED.**

**Ordinance 66-18:** Introduced by Rhome: An Ordinance authorizing and directing the Director of Public Safety and Service to prepare and submit applications to participate in the Ohio Public Works Commission (OPWC) State Capital Improvement Program and to execute contracts as may be necessary for the purpose of obtaining a grant for the purpose of construction of decorative street lighting and sidewalk repair along the Union Avenue corridor (College Street to Columbia Street) and declaring an emergency. Motion and Second to suspend the rule requiring three readings. Voice Vote: Unanimous. Motion and Second to Adopt. Voice Vote: Unanimous. **ADOPTED.**

#### **SECOND READINGS:**

**Ordinance 67-18:** Introduced by Simeone: An Ordinance to amend the Zoning Map of the City of Alliance by rezoning lot 11857 from single family residential district (R-1) to multiple family residential district (R-2) under the Alliance City Zoning Ordinance. Motion and Second to set a public hearing on November 5, 2018 at 7:35 PM. Voice Vote: Unanimous. **PUBLIC HEARING SET.**

#### **NEW BUSINESS:**

**Resolution 68-18:** Introduced by King and Simeone: A Resolution temporarily suspending the authority of the Downtown Special Events Commission under Alliance Codified Ordinance 176; and declaring an emergency. Motion and Second to amend to remove clerical errors. Voice Vote: Unanimous. Motion and Second to suspend the rule requiring three readings. Voice Vote: Unanimous. Motion and Second to Adopt. Council discussion about setting a Community Development Committee Meeting to discuss the matter. Motion to adopt withdrawn. Motion and Second to refer to the Community Development Committee. Voice Vote: Unanimous. **REFERRED TO THE COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE.**

Motion and second to adjourn or recess the regular meeting to allow the Claims Board to meet to review the Albert and Crystal Nicholson liability claim submitted against the City of Alliance. **MOTION PASSED BY ACCLAMATION OF ALL MEMBERS.**

Council recessed the regular meeting at 7:30 PM

#### **CLAIMS BOARD MEETING:**

The Claims Board convened the meeting at 7:30 PM and Board Chairman Andrew Grove read the public notice. Mr. Grove then called the roll with members Grove and Rhome present.

Mr. Grove then stated the purpose of the meeting was to review the Albert and Crystal Nicholson liability claim submitted against the City of Alliance for a sewage back up that occurred on August 26, 2018. Mr. Grove stated that Mr. and Mrs. Nicholson were notified of tonight’s meeting on several occasions but have not appeared here tonight. Mr. Grove went on to outline the nature of the claim, the investigation, and the determination of the City’s insurance carrier.

Mr. Grove then asked the Law Director for a written opinion including a recommendation regarding the disposition of the claim. Mr. Grove then set another meeting of the Claims Board for October 15, 2018 at 7:30 PM to review the Law Director's recommendations and further review the claim. Mr. Grove then adjourned the meeting of the Claims Board to re-convene the regular Council meeting.

Council re-entered regular session at 7:37 PM

**OLD BUSINESS:**

**Ordinance 52-18:** Introduced by Rhome and Simeone: An Ordinance vacating the remaining portion of the fifteen (15) foot North-South alley from West Chestnut street between lot 13058 and lots 13033, 140 and 149 and the remaining portion of a fifteen (15) foot East-West alley from Penn Avenue between lot 13033 and Lot 140, and accepting and approving the replat of lots 13033, 140 and 149 and the vacated portions of the fifteen (15) foot North-South and East-West alleys from Chestnut Street and Penn Avenue located in the 100 block of West State Street in the City of Alliance, County of Stark and State of Ohio. Discussion on need for Ordinance in light of potential changes to the developer's plans. Law Director recommended no action until we know what the developer wants to do and then the Ordinance can be amended or defeated for a new one. **NO FORMAL ACTON.**

**Ordinance 56-18:** Introduced by Dordea: An Ordinance providing for the submission to the Electors of the City of Alliance the question, "Shall a Commission be chosen to frame a Charter?" and for the election of members of the Charter Commission. **NO FORMAL ACTON.**

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

**SUMMARY OF ACTIONS TAKEN:**

<b>Ordinance 52-18</b>	<b>NO FORMAL ACTON</b>
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<b>Ordinance 62-18</b>	<b>ADOPTED</b>
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<b>Resolution 68-18</b>	<b>REFERRED TO COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE</b>

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**ARTHUR GARNES,  
COUNCIL PRESIDENT**

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**GERARD T. YOST  
COUNCIL CLERK**