CITY OF FERRYSBURG
CITY COUNCIL MINUTES
JUNE 21, 2021

The meeting was called to order by Mayor Hopp at 7:00 p.m. Mayor Hopp gave the invocation. Mayor Hopp led those present in the pledge of allegiance.


Also present: City Manager Bessinger, City Clerk Wierenga, and eight citizens.

21-097 Moved by Council Member O’Donnell, seconded by Council Member DeWitt, to approve the June 7, 2021, City Council meeting minutes as printed. The motion passed unanimously.

21-098 Moved by Council Member DeWitt, seconded by Council Member Blease, to remove vegetation and brush in and alongside the Gene Street ditch. Dig out 6-8” of sediment @ .50% slope and haul the spoils to the yard. The motion passed unanimously.

21-099 Moved by Council Member O’Donnell, seconded by Council Member Sias, to adopt Ordinance No. 317, an ordinance to amend Chapter 151 of the Ferrysburg City Code, Flood Damage Prevention, to amend the following sections, subtitled “FEMA Floodplain Management”. The motion passed unanimously.

21-100 Ordinance, No. 318, to amend City Code, Chapter 154 Zoning, Article 4, Special Land Uses, Section 4.80 and Article 9, District and District Requirements, Section 9.120, to allow and regulate accessory upper-floor dwelling units in the LI-1 Zone District was introduced on first reading.

21-101 Moved by Council Member DeWitt, seconded by Council Member O’Donnell, to approve the Mayor’s appointment of John Reifel to the Planning Commission for a term ending July 1, 2024. The motion passed unanimously.

21-102 Moved by Council Member Blease, seconded by Council Member DeWitt, to approve the Mayor’s appointment of Karen Matvichuk to the Planning Commission for a term ending July 1, 2024. The motion passed unanimously.

21-103 Moved by Council Member Sias, seconded by Council Member Montgomery, to approve the Mayor’s appointment of Madeline Brooks to the Recreation Commission for a term ending July 1, 2024. The motion passed unanimously.
21-104 Moved by Council Member Montgomery, seconded by Council Member Blease, to approve the Mayor’s appointment of Christopher Schropp to the Recreation Commission for a term ending July 1, 2024. The motion passed unanimously.

21-105 Moved by Council Member DeWitt, seconded by Council Member Montgomery, to approve the Mayor’s appointment of Eric Snyder to the Kitchel-Lindquist-Harter Dunes Preserve Board for a term ending July 1, 2024. The motion passed unanimously.

21-106 Moved by Council Member Blease, seconded by Council Member DeWitt, to approve the Mayor’s appointment of Colleen Mitchell to the Beautification Commission for a term ending July 1, 2024. The motion passed unanimously.

21-107 Moved by Council Member Blease, seconded by Council Member O’Donnell, to approve the Mayor’s appointment of Terry Grotemat to the Board of Review for a term ending January 1, 2025. The motion passed unanimously.

21-108 Moved by Council Member DeWitt, seconded by Council Member O’Donnell, to approve the appointment of Vance Meyer to the Spring Lake Lake Board for a term ending July 1, 2024. The motion passed: 6 yeas, 1 nay (Blease).

21-109 Moved by Council Member DeWitt, seconded by Council Member O’Donnell, to approve the appointments of Mayor Hopp, Council Member Blease, Roger Jonas, John Reifel, Alec Magaluk, Travis Andrews, and Bill Cate (non-voting member) to the Economic Development Task Force. The motion passed unanimously.

21-110 Moved by Council Member Blease, seconded by Council Member DeWitt, to approve 2020-2021 Budget Amendments. The motion passed unanimously.

21-111 Moved by Council Member DeWitt, seconded by Council Member Blease, to approve a bid from Plummer’s Environmental Services, Inc. to clean 151 storm sewer catch basins for $18,875.00. The motion passed unanimously.

21-112 Moved by Council Member DeWitt, seconded by Council Member Blease, to cancel the Tuesday, July 6 City Council Meeting. The motion passed unanimously.

21-113 City Council Members discussed the GHACF Mini-Grants. The consensus was for each Council Member to rank the proposed projects to determine the top 3 projects to submit a grant application.
21-114 City Council Members discussed the Spring Lake No Wake zone. City Council requested additional information.

21-115 City Council Members discussed having electronic packets. The consensus was for Council Members to contact staff if they would like an electronic packet.

The City Manager, the City Council Members, and the Mayor reported on several current items.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:00 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

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Rebecca Hopp      Debbie Wierenga
Mayor        City Clerk