

**MINUTES
LOUISVILLE CITY COUNCIL
NOVEMBER 18, 2013
7:00 P.M.**

Louisville City Council met in regular session with Mayor-Council Member Fallot presiding.

7:00 P.M. – PUBLIC HEARINGS:

AMENDED ORDINANCE NO. 13-44 – BEING AN AMENDED ORDINANCE OF THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF LOUISVILLE, STARK COUNTY, OHIO; AMENDING SECTION 157.01 AND 157.06 OF THE CODIFIED ORDINANCES OF THE CITY OF LOUISVILLE RELATIVE TO THE EMPLOYMENT PROVISIONS OF THE EMPLOYEES OF THE CITY

There were no comments on Amended Ordinance No. 13-44.

ORDINANCE NO. 13-45 – BEING AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE SCHEDULE OF FEES TO BE EFFECTIVE JANUARY 1, 2014 FOR THE CITY OF LOUISVILLE

There were no comments on Ordinance No. 13-45.

AMENDED ORDINANCE NO. 13-46 – BEING AN AMENDED ORDINANCE MAKING APPROPRIATIONS FOR CURRENT EXPENSES AND OTHER EXPENDITURES OF THE CITY OF LOUISVILLE, STARK COUNTY, STATE OF OHIO, FOR THE YEAR BEGINNING JANUARY 1, 2104

There were no comments on Amended Ordinance No. 13-46.

ORDINANCE NO. 13-50 – BEING AN ORDINANCE AMENDING SECTION 351.07 WAIVER BY AMENDING THE FEES AS FOLLOWS IN THE CODIFIED ORDINANCES OF THE CITY OF LOUISVILLE

There were no comments on Ordinance No. 13-50.

ORDINANCE NO. 13-52 – BEING AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER TO ENTER INTO A ONE YEAR CONTRACT WITH THE STARK COUNTY PUBLIC DEFENDER COMMISSION

There were no comments on Ordinance No. 13-52.

CALL TO ORDER

COUNCIL MEMBER GUILLEY MOVED, SECONDED BY COUNCIL MEMBER GUIDONE, and the motion carried to approve the November 18, 2013 Council agenda. The vote: All yea.

Council Members bowed their heads for a moment of silent prayer followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

MEMBERS PRESENT

Patricia Fallot, Mayor-Council Member
Cheryle Casar, Council Member
Guy Guidone, Council Member
Richard Guiley, Council Member
Thomas McAlister, Council Member

CITY OFFICIALS PRESENT

E. Thomas Ault, City Manager
Peggy Howald, City Clerk
Robert Duffrin, Law Director
Jina Turowski, Finance Director
Andy Turowski, Police Chief
James McBeath, Director of Service Operations
Rod Bordner, Interim Fire Chief

Mayor-Council Member Fallot presented the City Clerk's Certificate of Open Meeting.

MINUTES OF THE OCTOBER 28, 2013 COUNCIL MEETING

Mayor-Council Member Fallot declared the minutes of the October 28, 2013 Council meeting approved as presented.

MAYOR'S COURT REPORT OF RECEIPTS AND DISBURSEMENTS FOR THE MONTH ENDING OCTOBER 31, 2013

Computer Fund \$413, City General Revenue \$909, City revenue from fines \$1,660, Total to City \$2,982

Victims of Crime \$238, Indigent Defense Support Fund \$660, Drug Law Enforcement Fund \$91, Total to State \$989

Indigent Driver Alcohol Treatment Fund \$39, Cost of Magistrate -\$220, total to other -\$181, TOTAL REVENUE \$3,790

FINANCIAL REPORT OF RECEIPTS AND DISBURSEMENTS FOR THE MONTH ENDING OCTOBER 31, 2013

Council was presented with a financial statement prepared by the Department of Finance indicating the City's financial status for the month ending October 31, 2013.

CITY MANAGER'S REPORT

City Manager Tom Ault reported on the following items:

- Met with the new owner of McDonalds – John Houston
- Council needs to appoint five members to the Board of Building Appeals

PERSONS APPEARING BEFORE COUNCIL

Dante DiGiacomo who is a City employee addressed the Council regarding employee's wages and benefits. He is unhappy with some of the public criticism when they do not realize the scope of employee's jobs and the history of the benefits we have lost in previous years. If you look at the last ten years, our percentage wage increase has been less than Social Security.

His job can be compared to a construction worker, plumber, pipefitter, carpenter, excavator, water plant operator, waste water plant operator, truck driver, snow plow driver, mechanic, welder, fabricator and many others. Because of our abilities we contract out very few jobs saving the taxpayers money. They face many dangers performing their jobs relating to traffic, ditch work, pressurized pipe repair, heavy equipment, operating trucks in ice and snow. They're also responsible for providing safe drinking water to our citizens and operating the Wastewater Plant which is considered one of the most dangerous jobs in the country. They are on call 24/7. He has had to work Christmas day, Thanksgiving, New Year's day, weekends at all hours of the day and night in all weather conditions. They are proud of their accomplishments.

AMENDED ORDINANCE NO. 13-44 – BEING AN AMENDED ORDINANCE OF THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF LOUISVILLE, STARK COUNTY, OHIO; AMENDING SECTION 157.01 AND 157.06 OF THE CODIFIED ORDINANCES OF THE CITY OF LOUISVILLE RELATIVE TO THE EMPLOYMENT PROVISIONS OF THE EMPLOYEES OF THE CITY

COUNCIL MEMBER GUILLEY MOVED, SECONDED BY COUNCIL MEMBER GUIDONE, and the motion carried for the second reading of Amended Ordinance No. 13-44. The vote: All yea. Mayor-Council Member Fallot declared Amended Ordinance No. 13-44 duly passed and enacted.

Council Member Guiley apologized for the inaccuracies in the Louisville Herald article regarding employee benefits. The damage is done. Residents who believe the inaccuracies are part of a rumor mill. He will not apologize for the Letter to the Editor. He thanked Dante Digiacommo for addressing the Council in such a professional manner.

Mayor-Council Member Fallot did appreciate the corrections printed in the Herald.

ORDINANCE NO. 13-45 – BEING AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE SCHEDULE OF FEES TO BE EFFECTIVE JANUARY 1, 2014

COUNCIL MEMBER GUILLEY MOVED, SECONDED BY COUNCIL MEMBER CASAR, and the motion carried for the second reading of Ordinance No. 13-45. The vote: All yea. Mayor-Council Member Fallot declared Ordinance No. 13-45 duly passed and enacted.

AMENDED ORDINANCE NO. 13-46 – BEING AN AMENDED ORDINANCE MAKING APPROPRIATIONS FOR CURRENT EXPENSES AND OTHER EXPENDITURES OF THE CITY OF LOUISVILLE, STARK COUNTY, STATE OF OHIO, FOR THE YEAR BEGINNING JANUARY 1, 2014

COUNCIL MEMBER GUILLEY MOVED, SECONDED BY COUNCIL MEMBER MCALISTER, and the motion carried for the second reading of Amended Ordinance 13-46. The vote: All yea. Mayor-Council Member Fallot declared Amended Ordinance No. 13-46 duly passed and enacted.

ORDINANCE NO. 13-50 – BEING AN ORDINANCE AMENDING SECTION 351.17 WAIVER BY AMENDING THE FEES AS FOLLOWS IN THE CODIFIED ORDINANCES OF THE CITY OF LOUISVILLE

COUNCIL MEMBER GUILLEY MOVED, SECONDED BY COUNCIL MEMBER GUIDONE, and the motion carried for the second reading of Ordinance No. 13-50. The vote: All yea. Mayor-Council Member Fallot declared Ordinance No. 13-50 duly passed and enacted.

ORDINANCE NO. 13-52 – BEING AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER TO ENTER INTO A ONE YEAR CONTRACT WITH THE STARK COUNTY PUBLIC DEFENDER COMMISSION

COUNCIL MEMBER GUILLEY MOVED, SECONDED BY COUNCIL MEMBER CASAR, and the motion carried for the second reading of Ordinance No. 13-52. The vote: All yea. Mayor-Council Member Fallot declared Ordinance No. 13-52 duly passed and enacted.

RESOLUTION NO. 13-53 – BEING A RESOLUTION STATING MUNICIPAL SERVICES TO BE PROVIDED TO PROPOSED GROFFRE ANNEXATION AREA

COUNCIL MEMBER GUILLEY MOVED, SECONDED BY COUNCIL MEMBER GUIDONE, and the motion carried for the adoption of Resolution No. 13-53. The vote: All yea.

ORDINANCE NO. 13-54 – BEING AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE BOUNDARIES OF THE ZONING DISTRICTS AS PROVIDED BY ORDINANCE NO. 79-33 WHEREBY ADDING THE LANDS DESCRIBED HEREIN TO I-2 INDUSTRIAL MANUFACTURING & STORAGE DISTRICT

COUNCIL MEMBER GUILLEY MOVED, SECONDED BY COUNCIL MEMBER GUIDONE, and the motion carried for the first reading of Ordinance No. 13-54. The vote: All yea.

ORDINANCE NO. 13-55 – BEING AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE BOUNDARIES OF THE ZONING DISTRICTS AS PROVIDED BY ORDINANCE NO. 79-33 WHEREBY ADDING THE LANDS DESCRIBED HEREIN TO R-1 SINGLE-FAMILY LOW DENSITY RESIDENTIAL DISTRICT

COUNCIL MEMBER GUILLEY MOVED, SECONDED BY COUNCIL MEMBER GUIDONE, and the motion carried for the first reading of Ordinance No. 13-55. The vote: All yea.

ORDINANCE NO. 13-56 – BEING AN ORDINANCE MAKING APPROPRIATIONS FOR CURRENT EXPENSES AND OTHER EXPENDITURES OF THE CITY OF LOUISVILLE, STARK COUNTY, STATE OF OHIO, FOR THE YEAR BEGINNING JANUARY 1, 2013, AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY

COUNCIL MEMBER GUILLEY MOVED, SECONDED BY COUNCIL MEMBER GUIDONE, and the motion carried for the first reading of Ordinance No. 13-56. The vote: All yea.

MAYOR-COUNCIL MEMBER FALLOT MOVED, SECONDED BY COUNCIL MEMBER GUILLEY, and the motion carried to suspend the rules to allow for the emergency adoption of Ordinance No. 13-56. The vote: All yea.

COUNCIL MEMBER GUILLEY MOVED, SECONDED BY COUNCIL MEMBER GUIDONE, and the motion carried for the emergency adoption of Ordinance No. 13-56. The vote: All yea. Mayor-Council Member FalLOT declared Ordinance No. 13-56 duly passed and enacted.

NEW BUSINESS

COUNCIL MEMBER GUILLEY MOVED, SECONDED BY COUNCIL MEMBER GUIDONE, and the motion carried to approve the Fund Balance Reserves policy. The vote: All yea.

COUNCIL MEMBER GUIDONE MOVED, SECONDED BY COUNCIL MEMBER CASAR, and the motion carried not to object to the renewal of all liquor permits in Louisville which will expire on February 1, 2014. The vote: All yea.

COUNCIL MEMBER GUILLEY MOVED, SECONDED BY COUNCIL MEMBER CASAR, and the motion carried to appoint Council Members Guidone and McAlister to the Volunteer Fire Fighters' Dependents Board. The vote: All yea.

City Council was informed of the upcoming terms expiring on Civil Service Commission, Tree Board, Board of Zoning Appeals, Planning Commission and Design Review Board. The City Clerk will advertise for volunteers and contact current members to see if they are interested in being reappointed.

COUNCIL MEMBER GUILLEY MOVED, SECONDED BY COUNCIL MEMBER GUIDONE, and the motion carried amending the 2014 City Council meeting schedule by rescheduling the October 20, 2014 Council meeting to October 27, 2014 and canceling the November 2, 2014 Council meeting. The vote: All yea.

Mayor-Council Member Falot thanked everyone for attending the meeting.

Mayor-Council Member Falot reminded everyone of Light up Louisville on December 1st. The event includes the Chamber of Commerce, Historical Society, Juilliard Arts, the Community Choir and the downtown merchants.

Council Member McAlister commended Dante DiGiacomo for addressing City Council.

Council Member McAlister commended the Police and Fire Departments. He appreciates everything they do.

Mayor-Council Member Falot thanked Police Chief Andy Turowski and the Police Department for escorting the Louisville Band into town after receiving a Superior Rating.

The meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

Peggy Howald, CMC
City Clerk