

Minutes of December 16, 2015 Council Meeting

The Martins Ferry City Council met in regular session on Wednesday December 16, 2015 at 6:00 PM in the Martins Ferry Council Chambers. The meeting was called to order by Council President Kristine Davis with the Pledge of Allegiance and was followed by a prayer by the Clerk.

Answering roll call were Robert Krajnyak, First Ward, Bruce Shrodes, Second Ward, Rick Rodgers, Fourth Ward, Jack Regis, Chris Cleary, and Rob Duncan, Council at Large.

Correspondence: No correspondence was received.

Minutes: Minutes were approved as received.

Reports of Officers of the City:

Mayor: A copy of the Mayor's report was distributed and will be made a part of these minutes.

A proclamation was presented to the family of Russell Armstrong.

A Resolution of Appreciation was presented to Paul Collini of Energy Partners LLC.

Service Director: Mr. Bennett said that regarding a manhole cover on Don St. a new sleeve will need to be installed.

Mike Reece has completed an advanced pipe cleaning class.

Benches were installed on the hill above Fodor Field.

A sanitation worker is on light duty following an injury. This employee helped to clean up leaves in the downtown area.

Bed bugs have become a huge issue in mattresses and furniture being put out for pick up.

These items will need to be wrapped in plastic in the future.

The cemetery shed has been hauled away.

100 tons of salt has been delivered.

The new packer should be here Friday.

Safety Director: The false alarm ordinance will be read for the third time tonight.

Auditor: no report

Temporary appropriation ordinance, transfers, and cost allocation need to be approved tonight.

Law Director: No report

Development Director:

A copy of the Development Director's report was distributed and will be made a part of these minutes.

Code Administrator: No report

Water Superintendent: Mr. Suto thanked Mr. Collini.
The County Rd. 4 Project is progressing.

Fire Department: No report

Committees of Council:

Finance/Audit: A Finance Meeting was held with Ms. Randall to go through the budget and make plans for next year. Mr. Krajnyak spoke with the State Auditor's Office regarding forms that need completed and a 5 year plan.

Street: No report.

Ordinance: No report

Sewer/Sidewalk: No report

Code: No report

Safety: No report

Service: No report

Cemetery/PR: No report

Citizens to be Heard:

Richard Hord of 915 Virginia Street thanked Council for the opportunity to speak. He wished everyone a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

Mr. Hord asked about disappointments in 2015. Mayor Riethmiller said that the lack of drilling in Martins Ferry by the gas and oil industry was a disappointment. He added that he hopes the new administration will be able to work out a new contract.

Mr. Krajnyak said the property on First Street that is sitting vacant.

Mr. Regis said that this was the best group of people he has ever worked with and he thanked everyone for their service.

Mrs. Davis discussed the openings on Council and how those slots will be filled.

Mr. Krajnyak added that the committee will accept letters until January 15.

Ordinances and Resolutions:

AN ORDINANCE ESTABLISHING THE POSITION OF OFFICE MANAGER FOR THE UTILITY OFFICE, AND ESTABLISHING THE ANNUAL SALARY THEREFORE, EFFECTIVE JANUARY 1, 2016 was given a third reading. Mr.

Krajnyak moved to pass the ordinance as read. Mr. Regis seconded the motion. A roll call vote was heard with Council Members Krajnyak, Rodgers, Regis, and Cleary voting yea Council Members Shrodes and Duncan voting no and the ordinance was declared passed.

AN ORDINANCE TO REDUCE FALSE ALARMS FOR THE CITY OF MARTINS FERRY POLICE AND FIRE DEPARTMENTS was given a third reading. Mr. Regis moved to pass the ordinance as read. Mr. Rodgers seconded the motion. A roll call vote was heard with Council Members Krajnyak, Shrodes, Rodgers, Regis, Cleary and Duncan voting yea and the ordinance was passed as read.

A RESOLUTION OF APPRECIATION FOR PAUL COLLINI was given a second reading. Mr. Krajnyak moved to suspend the rules. Mr. Regis seconded the motion. A roll call vote was heard with Council Members Krajnyak, Shrodes, Rodgers, Regis, Cleary and Duncan voting yea and the rules were suspended. M A roll call vote was heard with Council Members Krajnyak, Shrodes, Rodgers, Regis, Cleary and Duncan voting yea and the resolution was passed as read.

AN ORDINANCE TO MAKE TEMPORARY APPROPRIATIONS FOR THE EXPENSES OF THE CITY OF MARTINS FERRY, STATE OF OHIO, DURING THE FIRST QUARTER OF THE FISCAL YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 2016, AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY was given a first reading. Mr. Regis moved to suspend the rules. Mr. Krajnyak seconded the motion. A roll call vote was heard with Council members Krajnyak, Shrodes, Rodgers, Regis, Cleary, and Duncan voting yea and the motion was declared passed. Mr. Krajnyak moved to pass the ordinance as read. Mr. Cleary seconded the motion. A roll call vote was heard with Council members Krajnyak, Shrodes, Rodgers, Regis, Cleary, and Duncan voting yea and the motion was declared passed.

AN ORDINANCE TO MAKE APPROPRIATIONS FOR THE EXPENSES OF THE CITY OF MARTINS FERRY, STATE OF OHIO, DURING THE FISCAL YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 2015, AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY was given a first reading. Mr. Rodgers moved to suspend the rules. Mr. Cleary seconded the motion. A roll call vote was heard with Council members Krajnyak, Shrodes, Rodgers, Regis, Cleary, and Duncan voting yea and the motion was declared passed. Mr. Cleary moved to pass the ordinance as read. Mr. Krajnyak seconded the motion. A roll call vote was heard with Council members Krajnyak, Shrodes, Rodgers, Regis, Cleary, and Duncan voting yea and the motion was declared passed.

AN ORDINANCE TO INCREASE THE SALARIES OF THE ELECTED OFFICIALS AND THE CLERK OF COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF MARTINS FERRY AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY was given a first reading. Mr. Regis moved to suspend the rules. Mr. Krajnyak seconded the motion. A roll call vote was heard with Council Members Krajnyak, Rodgers, Regis, Cleary, and Duncan voting yea Council Member Shrodes voting no and the rules were not suspended.

Miscellaneous Business:

Mr. Cleary moved to pass the cost allocation plan. Mr. Shrodes seconded the motion. A roll call vote was heard with Council members Krajnyak, Shrodes, Rodgers, Regis, Cleary, and Duncan voting yea and the motion was declared passed.

Mr. Krajnyak moved to transfer funds as listed on the attached document. Mr. Rodgers seconded the motion. A roll call vote was heard with Council members Krajnyak, Shrodes, Rodgers, Regis, Cleary, and Duncan voting yea and the motion was declared passed.

Mr. Krajnyak moved to go into Executive Session under Ohio Revised Code 121.22 for Sale of Property, Personnel, and Contract Negotiations. Mr. Rodgers seconded the motion. A roll call vote was heard with Council members Krajnyak, Shrodes, Rodgers, Regis, Cleary, and Duncan voting yea and the motion was declared passed.

Mr. Regis moved to go out of Executive Session. Mr. Krajnyak seconded the motion. A roll call vote was heard with Council members Krajnyak, Shrodes, Rodgers, Regis, Cleary, and Duncan voting yea and the motion was declared passed.

Mr. Cleary moved to amend Ordinance 2014-18 by changing the first amount from \$48,383.20 to \$52,000. Mr. Regis seconded the motion. A roll call vote was heard with Council members Krajnyak, Shrodes, Rodgers, Regis, and Cleary voting yea Council Member Duncan abstained and the motion was declared passed.

Mr. Shrodes made a motion to accept the reports of Supervisors and Management. The motion was seconded by Mr. Regis and after hearing an affirmative voice vote the motion was declared passed.

Mr. Shrodes moved to adjourn. The motion was seconded by Mr. Rodgers and after hearing an affirmative voice vote the meeting was adjourned with a salute to the flag.

Lee Ann Cleary, Clerk of Council

Council President, Kristine Davis

Minutes of December 22, 2015 Special Council Meeting

The Martins Ferry City Council met in regular session on Tuesday December 22, 2015 at 6:00 PM in the Martins Ferry Council Chambers. The meeting was called to order by Council President Kristine Davis with the Pledge of Allegiance and was followed by a prayer.

Answering roll call were Robert Krajnyak, First Ward, Rick Rodgers, Fourth Ward, Jack Regis and Chris Cleary, Council at Large. This meeting was called for Reading of Legislation.

Ordinances and Resolutions:

AN ORDINANCE TO INCREASE THE SALARIES OF THE ELECTED OFFICIALS AND THE CLERK OF COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF MARTINS FERRY AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY was given a second reading. No action was taken and the ordinance will go on to a third reading.

Mr. Regis moved to change the date of the next Special Meeting to Monday December 23 at 3:30 pm. Mr. Rodgers seconded the motion. A roll call vote was heard with Council members Krajnyak, Rodgers, Regis, and Cleary voting yea and the motion was declared passed.

Mr. Regis moved to adjourn. The motion was seconded by Mr. Cleary and after hearing an affirmative voice vote the meeting was adjourned with a salute to the flag.

Lee Ann Cleary, Clerk of Council

Council President, Kristine Davis

Minutes of December 28, 2015 Special Council Meeting

The Martins Ferry City Council met in regular session on Monday December 28, 2015 at 3:30 PM in the Martins Ferry Council Chambers. The meeting was called to order by Council President Kristine Davis with the Pledge of Allegiance and was followed by a prayer.

Answering roll call were Robert Krajnyak, First Ward, Rick Rodgers, Fourth Ward, Jack Regis and Chris Cleary, Council at Large. This meeting was called for Reading of Legislation.

Ordinances and Resolutions:

AN ORDINANCE TO INCREASE THE SALARIES OF THE ELECTED OFFICIALS AND THE CLERK OF COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF MARTINS FERRY AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY was given a third reading. Mr. Regis moved to pass the ordinance as read. Mr. Krajnyak seconded the motion. Mr. Rodgers asked if everyone was alright with the rates listed. Mr. Regis said the State Auditor was fine with the ordinance. Mr. Cleary suggested changing the rates by reversing the amounts from the first and fourth year. He explained that this would help in the first year. The matter was discussed. It was decided to keep the rates as listed. A roll call vote was heard with Council members Krajnyak, Rodgers, Regis, and Cleary voting yea and the motion was declared passed.

Mr. Regis moved to adjourn. The motion was seconded by Mr. Rodgers and after hearing an affirmative voice vote the meeting was adjourned with a salute to the flag.

Lee Ann Cleary, Clerk of Council

Council President, Kristine Davis