

## Minutes of the Vermilion City Council Organization Meeting

Monday, January 2, 2018

**Vermilion City Council:** Steve Herron, President of Council; Monica Stark, President Pro Tem, John Gabriel, Ward One; Frank Loucka, Ward Two; Steve Holovacs, Ward Three; Barb Brady, Ward Four; Brian Holmes, Ward Five; Gwen Fisher, Certified Municipal Clerk.

**Administrative Staff:** Mayor Jim Forthofer

### **CALL TO ORDER:**

Steve Herron, President of Council called the Monday, January 2, 2018, Vermilion City Council Organization Meeting to order per City Charter - Article III, Section 3 entitled "Organization".

### **PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:**

The members of Council, administrative staff, and audience participants recited the Pledge of Allegiance. A moment of silence followed.

### **CORRESPONDENCE:**

S. Herron read into the record correspondence submitted by Mayor Jim Forthofer which is attached hereto and incorporated herein as the official record.

### **Vermilion City Council Rules and Regulations (2018/2019):**

Steve Herron explained the only change made in the council rules and regulations for 2018/2019 is Rule 16 where it notes entry into the Clerk of Council's building is through keyless entry and each council member will be given their own pass code.

### **Vermilion City Council Committee Appointments:**

Steve Herron announced the following council committee and board and commission appointments were distributed to council and are attached and incorporated herein as part of the official record.

### **Approval of Council Minutes:**

**F. Loucka MOVED;** B. Holmes seconded to approve the Vermilion City Council minutes of the December 18, 2017 meeting. Roll Call Vote 7 YEAS. **MOTION CARRIED.**

### **NEW BUSINESS:**

B. Brady announced that Virgil Zanick recently passed away and said he had been an active member in the city. He was on the Planning Commission for several years, the Commodore of Beaver Creek Marina, and owned Northern Ohio Lumber and Timber. He will be missed.

**S. Holovacs MOVED;** J. Gabriel seconded to recess into executive session to discuss personnel matters (Hiring, Firing, and Compensation). Roll Call Vote 7 YEAS. **MOTION CARRIED.**

Upon conclusion of Executive Session;

**B. Brady MOVED;** F. Loucka seconded to approve the appointment of Mayor Jim Forthofer to the position of Director of Public Safety and to forego any compensation for the position. Roll Call Vote 7 YEAS. **MOTION CARRIED.**

**M. Stark MOVED;** S. Holovacs seconded to approve the reappointment of Tom Pesek to the Contractors Registration Board. Roll Call Vote 7 YEAS. **MOTION CARRIED.**

**S. Holovacs MOVED;** F. Loucka seconded to approve the appointment of Marilou Suszko to the Historic Design & Review Board. Roll Call Vote 7 YEAS. **MOTION CARRIED.**

**M. Stark MOVED;** B. Holmes seconded to approve the appointment of Robbie Brown to the Historic Design & Review Board. Roll Call Vote 7 YEAS. **MOTION CARRIED.**

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**S. Holovacs MOVED;** F. Loucka seconded to approve the appointment of Erika Cann to the Historic Design & Review Board. Roll Call Vote 7 YEAS. **MOTION CARRIED.**

**M. Stark MOVED;** B. Holmes seconded to approve the reappointment of Jon Logue to the Parks & Recreation Board. Roll Call Vote 7 YEAS. **MOTION CARRIED.**

**S. Holovacs MOVED;** B. Holmes seconded to approve the reappointment of Dennis Brudney to the Parks & Recreation Board. Roll Call Vote 7 YEAS. **MOTION CARRIED.**

**S. Holovacs MOVED;** B. Holmes seconded to approve the appointment of Jim Pajk to the Planning Commission. Roll Call Vote 7 YEAS. **MOTION CARRIED.**

**S. Holovacs MOVED;** B. Brady seconded to approve the reappointment of Todd Sommers to the Vermilion Port Authority. Roll Call Vote 7 YEAS. **MOTION CARRIED.**

**B. Brady MOVED;** S. Holovacs seconded to approve the reappointment of R.J. Hickey to the Stormwater Advisory Committee. Roll Call Vote 7 YEAS. **MOTION CARRIED.**

**S. Holovacs MOVED;** B. Brady seconded to approve the reappointment of Matt Hasel to the Stormwater Advisory Committee. Roll Call Vote 7 YEAS. **MOTION CARRIED.**

**M. Stark MOVED;** S. Holovacs seconded to approve the appointment of Jim Schoene to the Stormwater Advisory Committee. Roll Call Vote 7 YEAS. **MOTION CARRIED.**

**S. Holovacs MOVED;** B. Brady seconded to approve the reappointment of Bob Voltz to the Zoning Board of Appeals. Roll Call Vote 7 YEAS. **MOTION CARRIED.**

**M. Stark MOVED;** B. Brady seconded to approve the reappointment of Mary Moes to the Tree Commission. Roll Call Vote 7 YEAS. **MOTION CARRIED.**

**B. Brady MOVED;** F. Loucka seconded to approve the reappointment of Jerry Western to the Tree Commission. Roll Call Vote 7 YEAS. **MOTION CARRIED.**

**S. Holovacs MOVED;** F. Loucka seconded to approve the appointment of Mike Bahn to the Tree Commission. Roll Call Vote 7 YEAS. **MOTION CARRIED.**

**S. Herron MOVED;** M. Stark seconded to add the first reading of Ordinance 2018-6 to the agenda. Roll Call Vote 7 YEAS. **MOTION CARRIED.**

### **READING OF ORDINANCES:**

**First Reading – Ordinance 2018-4:** AN ORDINANCE CONFIRMING THE APPOINTMENT OF KENNETH S. STUMPHAUZER OF THE FIRM OF WALTER/HAVERFIELD LLP OF AVON, OHIO, TO FILL THE POSITION OF “CITY LAW DIRECTOR” EFFECTIVE JANUARY 1, 2018; PRESCRIBING THE RATE OF COMPENSATION AND LEGAL SERVICES, AND PROVIDING THAT SUCH SERVICES SHALL BE RENDERED IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE CHARTER OF THE CITY OF VERMILION, OHIO, AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

**S. Holovacs MOVED;** F. Loucka seconded to suspend the rules. Roll Call Vote 7 YEAS. **MOTION CARRIED.**

**S. Holovacs MOVED;** B. Holmes seconded to adopt this ordinance by emergency. Roll Call Vote 7 YEAS. **MOTION CARRIED.**

**Second Reading – Ordinance 2017-64:** AN ORDINANCE ACCEPTING AND APPROVING THE RE-SUBDIVISION PLAT OF SUBLOTS 14, 15 AND 16 IN TERRACE BEACH ALLOTMENT, PLAT VOLUME 10, PAGE 26 OF LORAIN COUNTY PLAT RECORDS, FOR RECORDING PURPOSES ONLY AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

**First Reading – Ordinance 2018-1:** AN ORDINANCE CONFIRMING THE APPOINTMENT BY THE MAYOR AND THE VERMILION PARKS AND RECREATION BOARD OF CHAD KUHN AS RECREATION DIRECTOR TO THE CITY OF VERMILION FOR THE 2018 RECREATIONAL PROGRAMS; ESTABLISHING A SALARY FOR SUCH APPOINTEE; ESTABLISHING COMPENSATION OF CERTAIN AUTHORIZED POSITIONS WITHIN THE

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**F. Loucka MOVED**; J. Gabriel seconded to suspend the rules. Roll Call Vote 7 YEAS. **MOTION CARRIED.**

**S. Holovacs MOVED**; F. Loucka seconded to adopt this ordinance by emergency. Roll Call Vote 7 YEAS. **MOTION CARRIED.**

**First Reading – Ordinance 2018-2:** AN ORDINANCE CONFIRMING THE APPOINTMENT OF BRIAN KELLER TO THE OFFICIAL POSITION OF DIRECTOR OF FINANCE OF THE CITY OF VERMILION, OHIO; EFFECTIVE JANUARY 1, 2018; ESTABLISHING COMPENSATION FOR SAID POSITION AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

**S. Holovacs MOVED**; J. Gabriel seconded to suspend the rules. Roll Call Vote 6 YEAS; 1 NAY (Stark). **MOTION CARRIED.**

**S. Holovacs MOVED**; B. Brady seconded to adopt this ordinance by emergency. Roll Call Vote 6 NAYS; 1 YEA (Herron). **MOTION FAILED.**

**First Reading – Ordinance 2018-3:** AN ORDINANCE CONFIRMING THE APPOINTMENT OF TONY VALERIUS TO THE OFFICIAL POSITION OF DIRECTOR OF PUBLIC SERVICE OF THE CITY OF VERMILION, OHIO; EFFECTIVE JANUARY 1, 2018; ESTABLISHING COMPENSATION FOR SAID POSITION AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

**S. Holovacs MOVED**; F. Loucka seconded to suspend the rules. Roll Call Vote 7 YEAS. **MOTION CARRIED.**

**B. Holmes MOVED**; M. Stark seconded to adopt this ordinance by emergency. Roll Call Vote 7 YEAS. **MOTION CARRIED.**

**First Reading – Ordinance 2018-5:** AN ORDINANCE CONFIRMING THE APPOINTMENT OF BRAMHALL ENGINEERING AND SURVEYING COMPANY OF AVON, OHIO TO FILL THE POSITION OF "CITY ENGINEER" EFFECTIVE JANUARY 1, 2018; PRESCRIBING THE RATE OF COMPENSATION AND PROVIDING THAT SUCH SERVICES SHALL BE RENDERED IN ACCORDANCE WITH CHAPTER 246 OF THE CODIFIED ORDINANCES OF VERMILION AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

**S. Holovacs MOVED**; B. Holmes seconded to suspend the rules. Roll Call Vote 7 YEAS. **MOTION CARRIED.**

**J. Gabriel MOVED**; B. Brady seconded to adopt this ordinance by emergency. Roll Call Vote 7 YEAS. **MOTION CARRIED.**

**First Reading – Ordinance 2018-6:** AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO AFFIX HIS SIGNATURE TO CHECKS, MAKE TRANSFERS AND DEPOSITS, AND ANY OTHER BUSINESS AS DEEMED NECESSARY, AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

**S. Holovacs MOVED**; J. Gabriel seconded to suspend the rules. Roll Call Vote 7 YEAS. **MOTION CARRIED.**

**J. Gabriel MOVED**; B. Brady seconded to adopt this ordinance by emergency. Roll Call Vote 7 YEAS. **MOTION CARRIED.**

### **ANNOUNCEMENT OF MEETING DATES:**

- Monday, January 8, 2018 – Vermilion City Council Committee Meetings (All) – 7:00pm
- Monday, January 15, 2018 – No meetings – City offices closed – Martin Luther King, Jr. Day
- Monday, January 22, 2018 – Vermilion City Council Meeting – 7:00pm
- Monday, January 29, 2018 – No meeting

### **ADJOURNMENT:**

No further business came before the body and Steve Herron; President of Council adjourned the Vermilion City Council meeting.

Gwen Fisher, Certified Municipal Clerk