

RECORD OF PROCEEDINGS
Minutes of Rossford City Council Meeting
Held January 27, 2025

The meeting was called to order by Mayor Neil Mackinnon III followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

ROLL CALL: Toth, Oberdorf, Eckel, Tinney, Owen, Reynolds all present. Mrs. Eckel moved and Mr. Owen seconded the motion to excuse Mr. Heban. All ayes. Motion carried.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES: Minutes of January 13, 2025 regular council meeting were presented to council. Mr. Oberdorf moved and Mr. Owen seconded the motion to approve the minutes. All ayes. Motion carried.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA: Agenda for regular council meeting of January 27, 2025 was presented to council. An executive session for the purpose of the employment of a Public Official per ORC 121.22(g)1 was added to the agenda. Mr. Owen moved and Ms. Reynolds seconded the motion to accept the agenda as amended. All ayes. Motion carried.

COMITTEE REPORTS

None

REPORT OF MAYOR AND/OR ADMINISTRATOR

Mayor Mackinnon swore in new police officer Richard Dumm who as stated by Chief Kitzler just graduated first in his class at the Owens Police Academy and is a graduate of the University of Toledo and St. Johns high school. The chief said he as well as Officer Revill and the whole department are very pleased.

Mayor Mackinnon then asked council to approve his appointment of Richard Syroka to the position of Fire Chief. *Mrs. Eckel moved and Mr. Oberdorf seconded the motion to accept the appointment. All ayes. Motion carried.*

CORRESPONDENCE

None

ORDINANCES

#2025-04 – AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE CONTRACT WITH THE WOOD COUNTY SHERIFF’S OFFICE FOR DISPATCHING SERVICES AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY. FIRST READING

Mr. Oberdorf moved and Ms. Reynolds seconded the motion to read by title only. All ayes. Motion carried. Ms. Murray said we have been using the sheriff’s office for more than a decade for our dispatching and with the increase in calls throughout the county the sheriff is adding another dispatcher with additional costs. Mr. Owen asked that this be given a first reading only so as to research how the additional costs were computed. This was given a first reading only.

#2025-05 – AN ORDINANCE AMENDING (SUPPLEMENTAL NO. 2) THE ANNUAL APPROPRIATION MEASURE FOR THE YEAR BEGINNING JANUARY 1, 2025 AND ENDING DECEMBER 31, 2025 PASSED BY ORDINANCE 2024-79. FIRST READING

Ms. Reynolds moved and Mr. Owen seconded the motion to read by title only. All ayes. Motion carried. Mr. Kirk said we are adding a second and third year to our contract with Cumulus, who is our email provider, and this will add the additional two years of the contract to the budget. Ms. Reynolds moved and Mrs. Eckel seconded the motion to suspend with the second and third readings. Audience comments were

requested and none received. Vote on the motion all ayes. Motion carried. Mr. Owen moved and Ms. Reynolds seconded the motion to adopt. All ayes. Motion carried.

COUNCIL REMARKS

Mr. Owen congratulated our new police officer.

Ms. Reynolds thanked interim fire chief Vascik for his hard work and said she is excited for the appointment of the new chief and said the department is headed in the right direction.

Mayor Mackinnon thanked All Saints School for hosting him today.

AUDIENCE REMARKS

Debbie Zuchowski, 202 Hillsdale said she is a member of the Rossford Eagles Auxiliary and that they will be sponsoring the oratory program God, Flag, and Country on February 16th at 1:00pm. This is for 10–15-year-old students who are given three minutes to speak on one of those three topics. She invited the mayor and council to attend.

Dr. Martin Perez, 553 Maybar reminded council of the contribution made by immigrants and asked the city to consider the effects of the fear of deportation at this current time.

Mrs. Eckel moved and Mrs. Tinney seconded the motion to go into executive session for the purpose of discussion of employment of a public official per ORC 121.22 (g)1. All ayes. Motion carried.

Mr. Oberdorf moved and Mr. Owen seconded the motion to return to regular session. All ayes. Motion carried.

Mr. Toth moved and Ms. Reynolds seconded the motion to adjourn. All ayes. Motion carried.

Neil A. Mackinnon III
Mayor

Robert P. Watrol
Clerk of Council