**REGULAR MEETING OF CELINA CITY COUNCIL – May 20, 2019**

President King called the Regular Meeting of Celina City Council to order at 7:00 pm. Council Members Baltzell, Buxton, Clausen, Fleck, Larmore, Scott and Sovinski answered roll call. Also present were Safety Service Director Hitchcock, Mayor Hazel, Auditor Strawn, and Law Director Moore.

CM Sovinski made a motion to accept the updated Agenda, seconded by CM Clausen. Motion passed with a roll call vote 7-0 Aye.

CM Larmore made a motion to approve the minutes of the April 22, 2019 Regular Council Meeting as written, seconded by CM Fleck. Motion passed with a roll call vote 7-0 Aye.

**COMMITTEE REPORTS:**

CM Buxton reported the Community Betterment Committee met April 22, 2019 for discussion of unsafe buildings. CM Clausen asked if anything has been done with the unsafe building on South Main Street. Director Hitchcock responded the deadline was extended until September 1st.

CM Scott reported the Committee of the Whole met May 16, 2019 for discussion of sale of alcohol in the City Parks. Specifically, a request made from the Grand Lake Mariners to sell craft beer at two 7-day home game events.

**COMMUNICATIONS:**

Mayor Hazel stated the rain has caused a great deal of damage throughout the City. We need to continue to work to find ways to divert the water coming from the lake. East Livingston Street work has been continuing. Construction of one of the first playgrounds at the Lakeshore Park has begun. The amphitheater construction continues also.

**AUDIENCE COMMUNICATIONS:**

James Chilimigras, owner of the Breakaway Club. They have done a lot of work on the facility since they took ownership, and have had good renters. He loves Celina and has invested in the area. A levy was built around the facility by the previous owner to handle any storm, but it was not made to handle the Grand Lake overflowing its banks. The government agencies need to work together to address this problem. CM Clausen asked if he has talked to the State or the County. Mr. Chilimigras responded the State considers the taxpayers peons. They would listen more if the local government agencies go with him to get this solved. He does not want to do so with lawsuits. CM Sovinski asked if he was told that the roadway was to be sandbagged as protection for flooding. Mr. Chilimigras stated they had sandbags. Mr. Sovinski stated the problem was created when the State reconstructed the spillway. The amount of floodwater coming over the spillway is more than what can go under the bikeway bridge, which is another problem. Mayor Hazel stated there is always a debate on the lake level in the spring. There are other things that can be done to manage the flow. Administration has been making contact with other agencies to try to assist in coordination of how to solve this problem. This facility is important to our community, and the time and money that has been invested is appreciated. CM Larmore stated there is no doubt the new design of the spillway created a problem. The water has to go somewhere. The state may need to address this with a different design of the spillway or another relief valve needs to go on the St. Marys side of the lake. CM Scott stated he appreciates that they have invested in our community. He does not know an answer to solve this problem. He feels no one wants to take ownership of the problem. Mr. Chilimigras responded we cannot give up on finding a solution. Joe Langenkamp stated there is too much water coming over the spillway. His answer is to build a portion of the spillway up. John Chilimigras stated he appreciates the time Council members give to the community. He will come before council again for support when making requests to the state. He explained the problems he sees in controlling the water going down the Beaver Creek and possible solutions. CM Sovinski suggested they work with a hydraulics engineer prior to going to the State.

**NEW BUSINESS:** (First Reading)

15-19-O: An Ordinance authorizing the Mayor to consent and sign on behalf of the City of Celina applications submitted by third-parties to the Ohio Department of Commerce, Division of Liquor Control, and other related documents, requesting permission to sell/consume alcohol upon city-owned property for specific events, and declaring an emergency. Mayor Hazel stated this allows Administration to ability to bring any liquor license applications to Council for non-objection prior to approval. CM Scott suggested this go at least two readings to allow responses from the public. CM Larmore stated he has had one comment against allowing alcohol in the park. Therefore, he also agrees this goes more than one meeting. CM Sovinski suggested the last Whereas clause in the Ordinance be reviewed. The Mayor already has authority to sign applications signifying the City’s approval. Law Director Moore stated the current legislation does not specifically name the Mayor having authority. Section One give the Mayor this authority. CM Clausen made a motion to pass the Ordinance to second reading, seconded by CM Buxton. Motion passed with a roll call vote 7-0 Aye.

**OLD BUSINESS:** (Second Reading):

12-19-O: An Ordinance authorizing and directing the Community Improvement Corporation of Mercer County, as an agent for the City of Celina, to sell and convey real property which is owned by the City of Celina. CM Scott made a motion to pass the Ordinance to third reading, seconded by CM Larmore. Motion passed with a roll call vote 7-0 Aye.

14-19-O: An Ordinance appropriating money from the General Fund for deposit in the Police Capital Fund, Fire Capital Fund, Street Improvement Capital Fund, and to transfer funds. CM Larmore made a motion to pass the Ordinance to third reading, seconded by CM Baltzell. Motion passed with a roll call vote 7-0 Aye.

(Third Reading):

5-19-R: A Resolution to adopt the Solid Waste Management Plan for the Mercer County Solid Waste Management District. CM Scott made a motion to pass the Resolution, seconded by CM Clausen. Motion passed with a roll call vote 7-0 Aye.

**ADMINISTRATIVE REPORTS:**

None.

**FOR THE GOOD OF THE ORDER:**

None.

Council President King adjourned the meeting at 8:10 pm.

Submitted by Joan S. Wurster, Clerk of Council