**REGULAR MEETING OF CELINA CITY COUNCIL – June 25, 2018**

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, and Auditor Strawn.

CM Scott made a motion to accept the 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 June 11, 2018 Regular Council Meeting as written seconded by CM Buxton. Motion passed with a roll call vote 7-0 Aye.

**COMMITTEE REPORTS:**

CM Clausen reported the Personnel & Finance Committee met June 11, 2018 for continued discussion of the Human Resources Coordinator position.

**COMMUNICATIONS:**

Auditor Strawn reported the July 2018 budget has been prepared. The General Fund projected budget reflects a balanced budget.

**AUDIENCE COMMUNICATIONS:**

None.

**NEW BUSINESS:** (First Reading)

22-18-O: An Ordinance authorizing the Safety-Service Director to advertise and receive bids and enter into an agreement to remove lime silo, roof rehabilitation, and solids contact clarifier piping demolition at the Water Treatment Plant and declaring an emergency. CM Larmore asked if there would be a problem finding someone to perform the work by October. Director Hitchcock responded the City will bid it and find out. CM Sovinski asked what the driving force is to get this done by October. Water Treatment Plant Superintendent Sudman responded the roof has a leak now, and the goal is to get it done before winter. Sudman gave further explanations of the project. CM Scott asked if this is being done in preparation of the future water treatment project. Sudman responded some of the project is. CM Scott made a motion to suspend the rules, seconded by CM Fleck. Motion passed with a roll call vote 7-0 Aye. CM Larmore made a motion to pass the Ordinance, seconded by CM Baltzell. Motion passed with a roll call vote 7-0 Aye.

**OLD BUSINESS** (Second Reading):

President King made a recommendation to vote on Resolutions 6-18-R through 13-18-R together. The recommendation was approved by a voice acclamation vote 7-0 Aye.

6-18-R: A Resolution accepting a donation from three (3) anonymous donors to the Celina Fire Department to help with the purchase of an EMS boat.

7-18-R: A Resolution accepting a donation from Celina Eagles 1291 to the Celina Fire Department to help with the purchase of an EMS boat.

8-18-R: A Resolution accepting a donation from Celina VFW Post 5713 to the Celina Fire Department to help with the purchase of an EMS boat.

9-18-R: A Resolution accepting a donation from the Estate of Betty D. Snider to the Celina Fire Department to help with the purchase of an EMS boat.

10-18-R: A Resolution accepting a donation from the Lake Improvement Association to the Celina Fire Department to help with the purchase of an EMS boat.

11-18-R: A Resolution accepting a donation from Newman & Mary Clapp to the Celina Fire Department to help with the purchase of an EMS boat.

12-11-R: A Resolution accepting a donation from Pem Lincoln from Montezuma, Ohio to the Celina Fire Department to help with the purchase of an EMS boat.

13-18-R: A Resolution accepting a donation from Westfield Insurance to the Celina Fire Department to help with the purchase of an EMS boat.

CM Sovinski made a motion to pass Resolutions 6-18-R through 13-18-R to third reading, seconded by CM Larmore. Motion passed with a roll call vote 7-0 Aye.

**ADMINISTRATIVE REPORTS:**

Mayor Hazel explained the Fire Department employees submitted the application for the Westfield Insurance grant. They are also expecting a few more donations to come in. The Mayor stated he is proud of the community and staff for providing the best and top notch service.

Mayor Hazel reported he received a call to action notice from the Ohio Municipal League today regarding HB 602, which is scheduled to have its third reading and possible vote tomorrow. This bill would preempt municipalities from setting water rates for political subdivisions which they have extended water and sewer services. If HB 602 is implemented, municipalities would be penalized not only in a reduction of Local Government Funds, but by being rendered ineligible for state water and sewer funds. Municipalities would be forced to bear the cost of expanding the infrastructure with no opportunity for reasonable cost recovery, passing the burden of that cost on to its residents. Members are encouraged to contact their state representative to express their opposition to this bill.

Mayor Hazel further reported that Freedom Days is coming up this weekend. Four local services groups have come together to put this event on for the community. He encourages everyone to stop down to support their effort.

Auditor Strawn gave a report on the month end May 31, 2018 general fund summary report.

Director Hitchcock reported the crosswalk painting project has been started. Once the red painting is complete, a different company will come in to do the white lines.

**FOR THE GOOD OF THE ORDER:**

CM Larmore stated there is a barrel over an open hole on Buckeye Street. Director Hitchcock responded this is a connector point and the goal is to have it completed this week.

CM Clausen asked why the total local taxes revenue on the July budget shows it is approximately $500,000 less in 2018 and 2019 than previous years. Auditor Strawn explained this is a result of the half percent income tax being taken out of the General Fund.

CM Sovinski asked if the North Main Street project will go to one way traffic from Johnson Avenue to Wayne Street. Director Hitchcock responded he thought there will be two way traffic maintained, but he will double check on it. The company will not be working on Main Street during the Lake Festival, but will be working during the 127 garage sales.

Council President King adjourned the meeting at 7:24 pm.

Submitted by Joan S. Wurster, Clerk of Council