

**PORT CLINTON CITY COUNCIL MINUTES
REGULAR MEETING**

The regular meeting of the Port Clinton City Council was held at the Port Clinton City Hall with Linda Hartlaub, President of Council, presiding. The meeting opened at 7:30pm. Council recited the Pledge of Allegiance, The Lord’s Prayer, and a moment of silence for those serving our Country.

The role was called and the following Council members were present: Mike Snider, Gabe Below, Lisa Sarty, Beth Gillman, Jerry Tarolli, Nicole DeFreitas and Margaret Phillips.

The Chair noted the certification has been received regarding the compliance with the rules and notification of this meeting.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Rick Noderer, 608 E. Perry Street, stated that Ordinance 12-15 is a worthless piece of legislation. The Lighthouse Conservatory feels it is not worth anything so he isn’t sure why it’s on the agenda tonight. He stated that no other contract (Veterans Park, Sassy Sal’s, and Senior Center) compared to this. He feels the lighthouse is a part of our history and should be viewed as placing an economic impact on history.

Rich Norgard, 4404 E. Konker Road, President of the Lighthouse Conservatory. He stated he sent a e-mail and hopes everyone understands his objections. Daryll Brand took over the Marina where the lighthouse was and wanted to restore it. Lots of work and dedication have gone into this, spending 80-100,000 to restore it so far. He feels it is a flawed contract. He does not feel the contract can be terminated without cause. He feels that leaves the opportunity to move the lighthouse without thought in the future. He would like to see the intent of the city instead of a temporary transaction. He believes it belongs out there and will impact the city positively. He states the lighthouse is in the city logo as an iconic structure for the city and symbolizes our history and will restore pride in our city. He asked that the 3 readings do not get waived tonight. Mr. Below read Mr. Norgard’s e-mail and wondered when the Historical Society would recognize it. He stated that the lighthouse is the only remaining wood pier headlight lighthouse and would be approved, just not sure of the timeline. Mr. Below asked about the budget for upkeep. Mr. Norgard stated it would require occasional painting and caulking but have \$10,000 to cover costs at this point. Donations have been their only source at this point. They have not solicited money yet. One the Lighthouse is up and running , tours will be given for \$2 or \$3, they will also the a Friends of the Lighthouse organization to help, grant money, Stinson funds and OCIC. Mr. Below asked the cost of the submerged land lease. Mr. Norgard stated \$1,300.

John Coppeler, 4165 Vineyard, Port Clinton, stated they wanted to do a 501(c)3 so it was tax deductible – he is helping at no charge. He states the legislation is strange to him. Typically it is agreed on first before being taken to the body, not this way – which is being taken to the body without an agreement. In Paragraphs 14, 15 and 18 is refers to the time in location and right to terminate. He notes that this land is not owned by the city and the submerged land lease is from the State. He feels the lighthouse will be a huge asset once it is moved to its spot. He asked that it does not get passed tonight so it can be discussed further.

Mrs. Sarty stated that this was reviewed in a special Parks and Recreation meeting. She notes they are not trying to stop this from moving forward, but trying to move it along quickly. She asks that they trust each other to get this moving.

Ms. Hartlaub stated the reason this was put into committee was because the Administration felt it had gone as far as they could with it. Mayor puts nothing into Committee; the President of Council is responsible for that. That was done so it could be discussed for 2 meetings. The legislation will go for its readings. The City wants to lighthouse and wants it to stay. The property in question for the lighthouse is not in the development scope.

SAFETY SERVICE

DIRECTOR’S REPORT

Second and Jefferson Streets are still being worked on along with Second and Madison Street. Closures may take place periodically.
Brush pick-up will start on June 29th and will move from the East end of the City to the West end. The city is aware that there are potholes in the alleys and they are working as hard as they can to fill all the potholes.
The playground in the West End will be installed tomorrow.

CORRESPONDENCE

Save the Date was received from Experience Ottawa County on August 20, 2015 at Put-in-Bay. Lighthouse Convention will take place on June 25, 2015 from 5-8pm. A thank you letter was received from the Kallenbach family for Clara.

Ms. Phillips made a motion, seconded by Mr. Tarolli to accept all correspondence as written including the Finance report from 5/19/15 and 6/16/15. With all those in favor, motion carried.

FIRST READINGS
ORDINANCE 12-15

AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING AND DIRECTING THE DIRECTOR OF SAFETY AND SERVICE TO ENTER INTO A RIGHT OF ENTRY AND LICENSE AGREEMENT WITH THE PORT CLINTON LIGHTHOUSE CONSERVANCY SUBJECT TO APPROVAL OF THE OHIO DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES, AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY

With no further action, Ordinance 1215 will be moved to the July 14, 2015 meeting for its Second Reading.

BUSINESS FROM THE FLOOR

Mr. Snider reviewed the 4th of July activities, including the 5k Squirt Gun Run, Firecracker Cutie Contest, Ice Cream, Apple Pie social, classic car show, Voices of Freedom concert, family dance party and the gala fireworks at 10pm.

The Finance Committee is looking at acquiring a new city garage on Park Drive. Watch for legislation coming soon.

Mr. Snider made a motion, seconded by Mrs. DeFreitas to have an ordinance drafted to amend Section 911.03, paragraphs C and D to adjust the fees from \$1,005 to \$110.00 and \$2,500 to \$205 – effective July 1, 2015. Mr. Wilber stated he would have to do an ordinance for this request. Results of a voice roll call are as follows: Snider, yes; Below, yes; Sarty, yes; Gillman, yes; Tarolli, yes; DeFreitas, yes and Phillips, yes. With all those in favor, motion carried.

With no further business to discuss Mr. Snider made a motion to adjourn, seconded by Ms. Phillips. With all those in favor, the meeting was adjourned at 8:15pm.

Leah Sprenger
Clerk of Council

Linda Hartlaub
President of Council