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Wauseon City Council

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BARRETT BROTHERS - DAYTON, OHIO

Form 6101

Held _____

November 6, 2017

WAUSEON CITY COUNCIL MEETING

Monday, November 6, 2017 at 5:00 P.M.

This meeting of the Wauseon City Council was called to order at 5:00 p.m. by Mayor Huner. Following the Pledge of Allegiance roll was called by the Clerk of Council. Present was Council President Stiriz as well as Councilors Chamberlin, Stiriz, Frey and Kost. Absent was Councilor Schamp. Also present was Willy Barber, Bill and Rhonda McConnell and Leonard Richer.

APPROVAL OF PRIOR MEETINGS' MINUTES

Mayor Huner advised Council that the minutes for the October 2 and 16, 2017 Council Meetings, and the October 12, and November 2, 2017, Committee of the Whole Meetings have been received. There being no corrections or amendments, the minutes will stand as presented. Motion made my Councilor Kost and seconded by President Stiriz
Vote: 5 Yeas – 0 Nays *Motion Passes*

INDIVIDUALS WISHING TO ADDRESS COUNCIL AND TOPIC

Leonard Richer spoke to Council regarding his pending reelection as Clinton Township Trustee and asked for support. Bill McConnell spoke regarding his resignation. He thanked past and present Council members, Mayors and his fellow coworkers. Mr. McConnell also commended the Police, Fire and Public Works Departments for their exemplary service in cleaning up the city after the storms on November 5, 2017. In closing he wished the City the best and stated he made the correct choice for him and his family when he took the chance and moved to Wauseon.

Committee Reports

Park Board – October 10, 2017, Scott Stiriz, Chair.

The Dog Park at Homecoming has three signs with bags for clean-up but there are still some people who are not cleaning up after their dog. The signs cost \$200 a piece and John Arps stated that installing more will not solve the issue as no matter how many are installed there are some people who will not comply with cleaning up after their dog. Paul Harmon asked if the blacktop at Biddle Park will be striped and John Arps stated it will likely happen when the whole project is finished and there is still one more parking lot to blacktop. Heather Tester would like to install Gaga-ball at Reighard Park but John Arps thinks that it is too congested and suggested Homecoming Park under the pavilion. This is a project that will be built and paid for by the Eagle Scouts. There was a motion made to have Gaga-ball installed in Homecoming at Committee of the Whole. Councilor Kost wanted to know if this was going to be permanent and what material the Gaga-ball structure would be made from and no one knew. Councilors Kost and Chamberlin requested more information on this project. No action taken.

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Councilor Chamberlin asked if John Arps had concerns regarding installation in Homecoming Park. The walking trail at Homecoming is completed.

Tree Commission – October 11, 2017, Rick Frey, Chair.

Wauseon is set to host a Tree City Award in 2021. Kim Bowles and Andrea Gerken are working on the Tree City application. The Indian Hills project has a number of trees set to be planted this spring and they requested that the Tree Commission choose the species. Jerry Spiess recommended that park trees be fertilized. They are still trying to host a chainsaw safety course and haven't located a certified instructor. No action was taken.

Councilor Chamberlin

Councilor Chamberlin asked if administration could answer what is going on with Mr. McConnell's sudden resignation and Mayor Huner advised that those decisions were Executive and needed to be discussed in Executive Session. Mayor Huner stated that the meeting to discuss this personnel matter with Council was cancelled due to Mr. McConnell's resignation. She stated she would have liked to have discussed with Council. Councilor Chamberlin stated that he thinks he is a member of the Personnel Committee and a member of this Council and he had no idea what is going on and why the Assistance Chief of Police suddenly resigned. Mayor Huner then advised that it would have to be discussed in Executive Session. Mr. McWatters then asked if they could go into Executive Session after the meeting. Mayor Huner stated she would like to do that so that the matter doesn't come forward like that again as she doesn't like talking about jobs like that.

Department Reports

Kathy Huner, Mayor – The Mayor spoke briefly prior to the Department Heads on the great work done by the Public Works, Fire and Police Departments in cleaning up the damage from the storm. She stated she has been approached by a couple of people thanking her and letting her know how impressed they were with the response and work done. She stated that the little girl who was on the news is doing fine. Mayor Huner also stated that she has had numerous people offer their services to help in the efforts to clean up and take care of the storm damage. She stated that we can't allow volunteers due to insurance. She commended all of the departments.

Rick Sluder, Fire Chief – The Fire Chief thanked the Police and Public Works department for helping out. He also would like to state that while they appreciate the help from everyone it is also dangerous as there are power lines down which can energize trees and fences and people can be injured. He recommends that it is better to let Toledo Edison come in and make the area safe prior to anyone cutting trees and limbs. Trick or Treat went well. Christmas Cheer donation box at the fire department to help FFA.

Keith Torbet, Police Chief – Police Department is participating in No-Shave-November for prostate cancer awareness and to raise money for Christmas for Kids in Fulton County. They are not calling it Shop with a Cop as it costs \$200 to use that name. The PD has already raised \$525 and they are hoping to quadruple that number. They are planning to do the event on December 16, 2017 at 9 AM in conjunction with Walmart. Holly Keith from

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Job and Family Services is assisting in providing candidates to participate in the program. The goal is at least 25 kids for 2017 and 100-200 for 2018. The Police Department will need a motion later in the meeting for the Bullet Proof Vest grant. This allows for reimbursement for up to 50% of the cost of new Bullet Proof Vests.

Dennis Richardson, Director of Public Service – Resolution 2017-26 - Authorizes the Mayor to Advertise for Bids for the Dewatering Plant Improvements and will be asked to be passed on suspension to try to get better deals from contractors for the project. Clem Kutzli, Superintendent of the Water Reclamation Plant, took a photo of the Wastewater Treatment Plant and it has been selected to be on the calendar in 2018 for the Ohio Water Environmental Association. Chemical bids are being compiled for 2018 chemicals used by both the Water Treatment and Water Reclamation Plants. He stated that all departments were tremendous in the clean-up of the storm. Council President Stiriz inquired if sidewalks were going to be done this year and Mr. Richardson stated they will be skipped this year as it is getting too late. The mayor stated that they will reappropriate those funds for next year.

Jamie Giguere, Director of Finance – Income tax revenue is up 5.92% from last year but that is down slightly from the increases seen throughout the year. Interviews are in process for the Water Clerk position. Mrs. Giguere intends to have someone hired by Thursday, November 9, 2017. Mark Shadbolt, Income Tax Commissioner has been moved into the Finance Office. The construction is completed and the new flooring installed but she is still working on putting things away.

Thomas A. McWatters, III, Director of Law – Mr. McWatters and Mr. Richardson are working together reviewing the legal documentation for the ODOT transfer. He is also working on the final review on the easement for the tower.

FIRST READING OF LEGISLATION OR EMERGENCY

Resolution 2017-25 – Authorizing the Mayor to Enter into a City-County Dog Service Contract with the Board of Commissioners of Fulton County.

Motion to place Resolution 2017-25 on first reading made by Councilor Chamberlin and Seconded by Councilor Stiriz.

Vote: 5 Yeas – 0 Nays *Motion Carries*

Resolution 2017-26 – Authorizing the Mayor to Advertise for Bids for the Water Reclamation Plant Dewatering Improvements, to Accept the Lowest and Best Bid and to Enter into a Contract with the Lowest and Best Bidder, and to Suspend the Rules.

Motion to Suspend the Rule of Three Readings made by President Stiriz and Seconded by Councilor Kost.

Vote: 5 Yeas – 0 Nays *Motion Carries*

Motion to place Resolution 2017-26 on final passage made by President Stiriz and Seconded by Councilor Chamberlin.

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SECOND READING OF LEGISLATION

Ordinance 2017-09 - Levying special assessments for the 435 East Linfoot Energy Improvement Project.

Motion made by Councilor Chamberlin and Seconded by Councilor Kost to place Ordinance 2017-09 on second reading and that the second reading be passed.

Vote: 5 Yeas – 0 Nays *Motion Carries*

Ordinance 2017-10 - Determining to proceed with certain 435 East Linfoot Energy Improvement Project by way of special assessments in accordance with Chapters 1710 and 727 of the Ohio Revised Code.

Motion made by Councilor Stiriz and Seconded by Council President Stiriz to place Ordinance 2017-10 on second reading and that the second reading be passed.

Vote: 5 Yeas – 0 Nays *Motion Carries*

Resolution 2017-23 - Accepting the Petition of 435 East Linfoot for Special Assessments for Various Special Energy Improvement Projects in accordance with Chapters 1710 and 727 of the Ohio Revised Code; Declaring the Necessity of Proceeding with the Special Energy Improvement Projects and Approving the Plans and Specifications therefor; Stating the Method for Making the Special Assessments Against the Benefitted Properties and the Amount of such Special Assessments.

Motion made by Councilor Frey and Seconded by Councilor Kost to place Resolution 2017-23 on second reading and that the second reading be passed.

Vote: 5 Yeas – 0 Nays *Motion Carries*

Resolution 2017-24 – Authorizing the Mayor to Enter into a Client Agreement with Target Solutions Learning, LLC.

Motion made by Councilor Kost and Seconded by Councilor Chamberlin to place Resolution 2017-24 on second reading and that the second reading be passed.

Vote: 5 Yeas – 0 Nays *Motion Carries*

THIRD READING OF LEGISLATION

Resolution 2017-16 – Authorizing the Mayor to Advertise for Bids for the Construction of Fire Department Sleeping Quarters and Police Department Offices in the Administration Building; Accept the Lowest and Best Bid; and to Enter into a Contract with the Lowest and Best Bidder, and Declaring an Emergency.

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Motion to place Resolution 2017-16 on Emergency made by Council President Stiriz and Seconded by Councilor Stiriz.
Vote: 5 Yeas – 0 Nays *Motion Carries*

Motion to place Resolution 2017-16 on final passage made by Councilor Chamberlin and seconded by Councilor Frey.
Vote: 5 Yeas – 0 Nays *Motion Carries*

Resolution 2017-19 - Authorizing the Mayor to Issue a Request for Qualifications for an Engineer.

Motion made by Councilor Kost and Seconded by Council President Stiriz to place Resolution 2017-19 on third reading and that the third reading be passed.
Vote: 5 Yeas – 0 Nays *Motion Carries*

NEW BUSINESS

Motion for Employee Holiday Gifts - \$50 Chamber Bucks Gift Certificates made by Councilor Chamberlin and seconded by Councilor Kost.
Vote: 5 Yeas – 0 Nays *Motion Passes*

Councilor Kost inquired how the grant works and Chief Torbet stated that the City purchases the vests and the grant allows for reimbursement of 50% of the cost. Motion for Bullet Proof Vests Grant for the Wauseon Police Department made by Councilor Kost and seconded by Councilor Chamberlin.
Vote: 5 Yeas – 0 Nays *Motion Passes*

APPROVAL OF THE BILLS

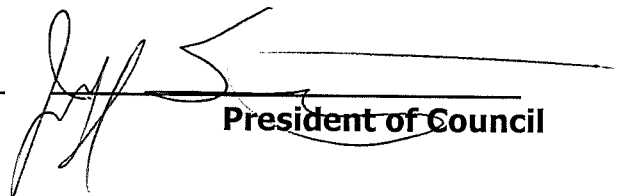
Councilor Chamberlin moved and seconded by Councilor Stiriz to approve and pay the bills as presented.
Vote: 5 Yeas – 0 Nays *Motion Passes*

ADJOURNMENT

Mayor Huner stated that Council reserves the right to adjourn into Executive Session. Motion to go into Executive Session made by Council President Stiriz and seconded by Councilor Kost. Councilor Chamberlin asked if the reason to go into Executive Session was due to personnel. Mr. McWatters answered that this was the reason for adjourning into Executive Session.
Vote: 5 Yeas – 0 Nays *Motion Passes*

Clerk of Council, department heads and guests exited Council Chambers at 5:40 PM.


Clerk of Council


President of Council

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