

RECORD OF PROCEEDINGS

Minutes of

Wauseon City Council

Meeting

BARRETT BROTHERS - DAYTON, OHIO

Form 6101

Held

December 2, 2019

WAUSEON CITY COUNCIL MEETING

Monday, December 2, 2019 at 5:00 P.M.

Mayor Huner called to order this Wauseon City Council meeting at 5:00 p.m. She asked everyone to stand for the Pledge of Allegiance which was followed by a moment of silence. Roll was taken by the Clerk of Council. Present were Council President Stiriz, Councilors Stickley, Chamberlin, Schneider, Frey and Stiriz to constitute a quorum for the transaction of city business.

Also present were Vic Cales and Patrick Griggs to observe.

APPROVAL OF PRIOR MEETINGS' MINUTES

Councilor Stickley moved and seconded by Council President Stiriz to approve the previous meeting minutes.

All in Favor: *Motion Passed Unanimously*

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Councilor Frey provided a summary of the Tree Commission meeting held Wednesday, November 13, 2019. He said discussed was what trees should be cut down by the Public Works department. He said at the Indian Hill Trails a Deep Water sign may need installed between the two trails for the wetland area there. He said they weren't able to fertilize trees that day due to weather. There was discussion about the Tree City USA that Wauseon is hosting in 2021. There was discussion about the cottonwoods that need to be removed at Rotary Park. No action taken.

Council President Stiriz provided a summary of the Street Committee meeting held Monday, November 18, 2019. He said there was discussion about where sidewalks are needed installed in town. The committee decided to start on Shoop Ave from Linfoot to Dollar General. The codified ordinance currently states the "Code Administrator" is in charge of enforcing the sidewalk code and we do not have one so it is being updated to say "Public Service Director or his designee".

Motion to accept the Street Committee recommendation to begin sidewalk construction on Shoop Avenue in 2020 moved by Councilor Stickley and seconded by Councilor Schneider.

Vote: 6 Yeas 0 Nays *Motion Carries*

Councilor Chamberlin provided a summary of the Personnel Committee meeting held Thursday, November 21, 2019. He said they had a recommendation at the meeting but have since decided to table that recommendation as there are proposed changes to the handbook that they need to discuss. He said the topics ranged from hair, facial tattoos, nepotism, the cost of the work from Clemans and Nelson and how the FD and PD utilize the handbook. He said there were not many areas of concern from the committee.

Council President Stiriz questioned if there is a recommendation to table and Councilor Chamberlin said they did have one but it is now being tabled for further discussion and consideration.

Motion to table the Personnel Committee recommendation to approve the employee handbook as presented moved by Councilor Chamberlin and seconded by Councilor Frey.

Vote: 6 Yeas 0 Nays *Motion Carries*

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INDIVIDUALS WISHING TO ADDRESS COUNCIL

There was no one present to address council.

DEPARTMENT REPORTS

Rick Sluder, Fire Chief: There is a Civil Service test Dec 13th & 14th for paramedic/firefighters. Dover Township contacted him to get the agreement finalized before the end of December.

Kevin Chittenden, Police Chief: Christmas for Kids is December 14; they had 156 applications but due to funding and the number of first responders they selected 50 and each school district in the county is being represented.

Keith Torbet, Director of Public Service: The chemical bids opened with no issues. He has been working on his budget. Clem Kutzli will have a photo in the OWEA calendar for the third year.

Jamie Giguere, Director of Finance: The draft budget was distributed for review; the Finance Committee meeting to discuss the budget is on Thursday, December 5th. She said medical insurance enrollment must be in by Friday, December 6th.

Tom McWatters, Law Director: He is looking into the sidewalk ordinance. He said he plans to review the Dover Township agreement.

Council President Stiriz asked if there was a city policy if a city worker is involved in a fender bender with a city vehicle if there is a required drug and alcohol test. Mayor Huner said they do for Public Works employees. Mr. Torbet said it depends on the severity of the accident or if there was damage done.

FIRST READING OF LEGISLATION OR EMERGENCY

Ordinance 2019-7: An Ordinance to Approve, Adopt and Enact the 2019 Replacement Pages to the Codified Ordinances; to Repeal Ordinances in Conflict Therewith; to Publish the Enactment of New Matter; and Declaring an Emergency

Councilor Schneider moved and seconded by Councilor Stickley to place Ordinance 2019-7 on emergency reading.
Vote: 6 Yeas 0 Nays *Motion Carries*

Councilor Chamberlin moved and seconded by Council President Stiriz to place Ordinance 2019-7 on final reading and that the final reading be passed.
Vote: 6 Yeas 0 Nays *Motion Carries* (**Ordinance 2019-7 passes and is in effect**)

Resolution 2019-27: Authorizing the Mayor to Enter into an Agreement with Pareto Captive Services, LLC, Sun Life Financial, and Mutual Health Services for the Provision of Health Insurance for 2020; and Declaring an Emergency

Councilor Stickley moved and seconded by Councilor Frey to place Resolution 2019-27 on emergency.
Vote: 6 Yeas 0 Nays *Motion Carries*

Council President Stiriz moved and seconded by Councilor Stickley to place Resolution 2019-27 on final reading and that the final reading be passed.
Vote: 6 Yeas 0 Nays *Motion Carries* (**Resolution 2019-27 passes and is in effect**)