

City of Willowick CITY COUNCIL REGULAR MEETING

Tuesday, October 05, 2021 at 7:30 PM City Council Chambers

ADA NOTICE

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MINUTES

CALL MEETING TO ORDER

(Total meetings to date - 15)

The sixteenth meeting of Council was called to order at 7:30 p.m. by Council President Patton.

PLEDGE ALLEGIANCE

INVOCATION

ROLL CALL OF COUNCIL

PRESENT

Council President Robert Patton

Ward I Councilwoman Monica Koudela

Ward 1 Councilman Michael Vanni

Ward 2 Councilwoman Natalie Antosh

Ward 2 Councilwoman Theresa Bisbee

Ward 3 Councilman Charles Malta

Ward 3 Councilman David Phares

ALSO PRESENT

Mayor Regovich, Finance Director Benedict, Law Director Landgraf, Fire Chief Tennyson, Police Chief Turner, Service Director Shannon, Recreation Director Kless, City Engineer McLaughlin and Council Clerk Trend. Chief Building and Zoning Inspector Brennan and Economic Manager Drake were absent.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

1. Motion made by Mr. Malta, seconded by Ms. Bisbee to approve the Regular City Council Meeting of September 21st, 2021.

Discussion: None.

Vote: All ayes. Motion carried.

APPOINTMENTS, SPECIAL RESOLUTIONS & PROCLAMATIONS

None.

ADMINISTRATIVE APPEALS

2. Administrative Appeal No. 2021-25 - Finish Line Car Wash (Not Recommended by BZA)

An Order granting a variance and exception of 8 ft. to allow a ground sign already installed to remain 2' from the sidewalk in the application of section 1349.08(d)(4) of the Codified Ordinances in Board of Zoning Appeals.

Tabled 8-3-21 Tabled 9-7-21 Tabled 9-21-21 Tabled 10-5-21

REPORTS & COMMUNICATIONS FROM THE MAYOR/SAFETY DIRECTOR

On the ballot for November 2, Issue 3 - renewal for Parks and Recreation and Issue 4 - proposed Charter amendment for zoning in the City. The City has received the final approval for the TCLI grant for the Lakefront and Lakeshore. Several complaints have been received about Kimble's service. They are working well with the City to make sure the complaints get resolved quickly. The Special Improvement District (SID) is nearing the finish line and hopefully at the end of the month the first projects can be started.

COUNCIL DISCUSSION OF THE MAYOR'S REPORT

Mr. Phares stated the City of Wicklffe has the same referendum zoning on their ballot and in their ballot language they have three readings as the rule. Ms. Landgraf stated that by state statue everything is on for three readings unless there is an emergency clause inserted.

Mr. Malta stated Paula Patfield on Gilchrist did not have her garbage picked up for three straight weeks by Kimble. Mayor Regovich reached out to Kimble today after he had received the information and is confident Kimble will handle the situation.

GENERAL COMMUNICATIONS & REPORTS – Directors & Officials

Service Director - Todd Shannon

Written report submitted electronically. Acacia, Edgewood, Maplewood and W. Willowick all have the final road surface on. Green and Divot are still having concrete repairs done as well as E. 308 St. A meeting with CEI has been set-up to discuss lighting for the Shoreland area and the pools are being winterized. Mr. Malta inquired why only half of the curbs are being replaced on E. 308 St. Mr. Shannon stated the cost of concrete is very high and they have to be selective on which curbs can be fixed. Mayor Regovich stated the cost of concrete has gone from \$90.00 a yard to \$160.00 a yard and does not anticipate it going down.

Recreation Director - Julie Kless

The Collectible Flea Market is at Manry Park on October, 23 from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. There will be a Winter Break Camp added this year for a fee of \$50.00 and a Winter Wonderland Event at Manry Park on December 12th.

City Engineer - Tim McLaughlin

Written report submitted electronically.

Finance Director - Cheryl Benedict

No written report.

Law Director - Stephanie Landgraf

No written report.

Police Chief - Brian Turner

Written report submitted electronically.

Fire Chief - Joe Tennyson

Written report submitted electronically.

Chief Housing/Zoning Inspector - Sean Brennan

Absent.

Economic Development Manager - Monica Drake

Absent.

WARD MATTERS

None.

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

- a) Public statement (1 minute maximum)
- b) Council response to the public
- c) Public clarification (30 seconds to 1 minute for the purpose of restating or rearticulating an original question, concern, suggestion or idea)

None.

REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES

Finance - Vanni, Bisbee, Koudela

There will be a joint Budget-Finance Committee meeting on October 19th at 6:30 p.m.

Safety - Phares, Malta, Bisbee

No report.

Service, Utilities & Public Lands - Malta, Phares, Bisbee

No report.

Streets, Sidewalks & Sewers - Vanni, Malta, Antosh

No report.

Tax Compliance - Koudela, Antosh, Patton

No report.

Moral Claims - Antosh, Phares, Patton

No report.

Budget - Vanni, Koudela, Patton

No report.

LIAISON REPORTS

Planning – Phares/Alternate Koudela

No report.

Board of Zoning Appeals - Koudela/Alternate Vanni

No report.

Volunteer Fire Fighters' Dependents Fund Board – Antosh, Phares

No report.

Recreation Board – Bisbee/Alternate Phares

No report.

Plan Review Board - Antosh

No report.

Hearts & Hammers - Malta

No report.

FUND TRANSFERS & BID AUTHORIZATIONS

None.

CONTRACT APPROVALS

None.

INTRODUCTION & CONSIDERATION OF LEGISLATION

3. Ordinance No. 2021–37 (As amended) (Safety Committee)

An Ordinance enacting Codified Ordinance 505.121 titled "wild, dangerous, exotic, endangered or undomesticated animals."

1st Reading 9-7-21 2nd Reading 9-21-21 3rd Reading 10-5-21

Motion made by Ms. Antosh, seconded by Mr. Vanni to adopt Ordinance No. 2021-37.

Discussion: None.

Vote: All ayes. Motion carried.

4. Ordinance No. 2021–38 (As amended) (Safety Committee)

An Ordinance enacting Codified Ordinance 505.131 titled "Harboring and/or Keeping of Farm Animals."

1st Reading 9-7-21 2nd Reading 9-21-21 3rd Reading 10-5-21

The Law Director requested the matter to be tabled, as she had been advised by members of Council prior to the meeting that a work session may be beneficial. Councilman Phares noted his objection to the tabling of the Ordinance. No requests from any other member of Council were noted to table the Ordinance, hearing none, the Ordinance proceeded to vote.

Motion made by Ms. Antosh, seconded by Mr. Vanni to adopt Ordinance No. 2021-38 as amended.

Discussion: None.

Vote: Ayes: Vanni, Patton and Antosh.

Nays: Koudela, Malta, Phares and Bisbee. 4-3 opposed to; motion failed.

Motion made by Mr. Phares, seconded by Ms. Bisbee to vote on and adopt Ordinance No. 2021-38 as was originally drafted without chickens.

Discussion: None.

Vote: Ayes: Vanni, Malta, Phares, Antosh and Bisbee.

Nays: Koudela and Patton. 5-2 in favor of; motion passed.

5. Ordinance No. 2021-39 (Safety Committee)

An Ordinance amending Chapter 1145 of the Codified Ordinances of the City of Willowick, Ohio, titled, "Retail District"; specifically, Section 1145.03, titled "uses."

1st Reading 9-7-21 2nd Reading 9-21-21 3rd Reading 10-5-21

Motion made by Mr. Malta, seconded by Ms. Antosh to adopt Ordinance No. 2021-39.

Discussion: Mr. Phares stated the reason for the introduction of this Ordinance is that there are certain values the City should try and promote and gambling should not be one of them. There are four establishments in the City and are all on the main routes of the City. Coming in and out they can be seen plain as day. They are not being prohibited nor are any of them being kicked out. Four should be the maximum number allowed in the City.

Vote: All ayes. Motion carried.

6. Ordinance No. 2021-47 (Law Director)

An Ordinance amending the 2021 fee schedule for the Willowick Recreation Department, repealing certain Ordinances, and declaring an emergency.

Motion made by Ms. Bisbee, seconded by Mr. Malta to waive the three readings on Ordinance No. 2021-47.

Discussion: None.

Vote: All ayes. Motion carried.

Motion made by Ms. Antosh, seconded by Ms. Bisbee to adopt Ordinance No. 2021-47.

Discussion: None.

Vote: All ayes. Motion carried.

7. Ordinance No. 2021-48 (Finance Director)

An Ordinance directing the Director of Finance to certify delinquent accounts to the Lake County Auditor and Lake County Treasurer for collection as property tax and declaring an emergency.

Motion made by Mr. Malta, seconded by Ms. Antosh to waive the three readings on Ordinance No. 2021-48.

Discussion: None.

Vote: All ayes. Motion carried.

Motion made by Ms. Bisbee, seconded by Mr. Vanni to adopt Ordinance No. 2021-48.

Discussion: None.

Vote: All ayes. Motion carried.

8. Resolution No. 2021–31 (Finance Director)

A Resolution to approve authorizations (Then and Now Certificate) to Compass Minerals in the amount of \$10,264.84, for the City of Willowick, and declaring an emergency.

Motion made by Ms. Antosh, seconded by Mr. Vanni to waive the three readings on Resolution No. 2021-31.

Discussion: None.

Vote: All ayes. Motion carried.

Motion made by Ms. Antosh, seconded by Mr. Vanni to approve Resolution No. 2021-31.

Discussion: None.

Vote: All ayes. Motion carried.

MISCELLANEOUS

9. Motion made by Mr. Malta, seconded by Ms. Bisbee to declare a 2006 Braun/International Ambulance, VIN 1HTMNAAM56H312628 and City Tag No. 01797, declaring it as surplus, obsolete, unneeded and unfit for public use and authorizing its disposal.

Discussion: None.

Vote: All ayes. Motion carried.

10. Motion made by Mr. Vanni, seconded by Ms. Antosh authorizing a liquor permit to Speedway LLC, 31000 Vine St., Willowick, Ohio 44095.

Discussion: Mr. Phares inquired if Speedway already had a prior permit. Mayor Regovich stated they did and it's possibly a renewal or in anticipation for the building next to them that they have purchased.

Vote: All ayes. Motion carried.

11. Motion made by Ms. Antosh, seconded by Mr. Vanni authorizing the expenditure to Danny Nida in the amount of \$15,740.00 for the refund of escrowed insurance proceeds for the fire at 267 East. 285th Street.

Discussion: None.

Vote: All ayes. Motion carried.

12. Motion made by Ms. Antosh, seconded by Mr. Vanni authorizing the expenditure to Daniel Austin in the amount of \$10,292.82 for the refund of escrowed insurance proceeds for the fire at 29241 Barjode Road.

Discussion: None.

Vote: All ayes. Motion carried.

13. Motion made by Mr. Malta, seconded by Ms. Bisbee to authorize the Mayor to enter into a contract with Super Games for \$11,350.00 for the Recreation Winter Wonderland Holiday event.

Discussion: None.

Vote: All ayes. Motion carried.

14. Motion made by Mr. Vanni, seconded by Ms. Antosh to authorize the Mayor to exercise the option to renew the City's contract with Ameriscape Land Design Inc. for grass cutting for year 2022, only.

Discussion: None.

Vote: All ayes. Motion carried.

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Phil Detering, 469 Bayridge Blvd. inquired if everyone in the City can own chickens and have as many as they want. Ms. Langraf stated that is the status before and after the vote as there was no Ordinance regulating chickens before.

Frank McCarty, 468 E. 328th St., wanted to provide information for the Mayor, Council President and Council members to view in reference to steamboat disasters. Council Clerk Trend accepted the information and will provide copies to Council.

ADJOURNMENT

Motion made by Ms. Antosh, seconded by Mr. Phares to adjourn.

Discussion: None.

Vote: All ayes. Motion carried.

Meeting adjourned at 8:13 p.m.

PRESIDENT OF COUNCIL

ATTEST.

CLERK OF COUNCIL