

City of Willowick CITY COUNCIL REGULAR MEETING

Tuesday, May 17, 2022 at 7:30 PM City Council Chambers

ADA NOTICE

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MINUTES

CALL MEETING TO ORDER

(Total meetings to date - 9)

The tenth 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 1 Councilwoman Monica Koudela

Ward I 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, Chief Housing & Zoning Inspector Brennan, Recreation Director Kless, City Engineer McLaughlin, Economic Manager Drake and Council Clerk Trend.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

1. Motion made by Mr. Malta, seconded by Ms. Bisbee to approve the minutes of the Regular City Council Meeting of May 5, 2022.

Discussion: None.

Vote: All ayes. Motion carried.

APPOINTMENTS, SPECIAL RESOLUTIONS & PROCLAMATIONS

None.

ADMINISTRATIVE APPEALS

2. Administrative Appeal Order No. 2022-6 Ridley #1 (Recommended by BZA)

An Order granting a variance and exception of 11' to install a fence in the side yard 15' from the main building on a corner lot in the application of Section 1165.07(c) of the Codified Ordinances in Board of Zoning Appeals.

Marshall Ridley, 31321 Bayridge Blvd. was present and stated that he lives on a large corner lot and would like to put a white vinyl fence up which would help to decorate the area and prevent his dog from barking.

Motion made by Ms. Antosh, seconded by Ms. Bisbee to grant Administrative Appeal Order No. 2022-6.

Discussion: None.

Vote: All ayes. Motion carried.

3. Administrative Appeal Order No. 2022-7 Ridley #2 (Recommended by BZA)

An Order granting a variance and exception of 2' height to install a 6' high fence on a corner lot in the application of Section 1165.07(c) of the Codified Ordinances in Board of Zoning Appeals.

Motion made by Mr. Malta, seconded by Ms. Antosh to grant Administrative Appeal Order No. 2022-7.

Discussion: None.

Vote: All ayes. Motion carried.

4. Administrative Appeal Order No. 2022-8 Scafidi (Recommended by BZA)

An Order granting a variance and exception of 10 sq. ft. to install a pergola with an external dimension of 130 sq. ft. in the application of Section 1171.02(c) of the Codified Ordinances in Board of Zoning Appeals.

Rosalie Scafidi, 30400 Vineyard Rd., stated the pergola needs to be wide enough to be able to maneuver a walker or wheelchair through and this pergola style will permit that.

Motion made by Ms. Antosh, seconded by Mr. Vanni to grant Administrative Appeal Order No. 2022-8.

Discussion: None.

Vote: All ayes. Motion carried.

REPORTS & COMMUNICATIONS FROM THE MAYOR/SAFETY DIRECTOR

The second public presentation was held for the Vine St. corridor project for the NOACA TLCI grant. The project has been delayed for several years due to COVID. Due to Worden Rd. in Wickliffe being closed or one-way traffic at times because of construction on the bridge, traffic will be heavier in the City. The parade is scheduled for Sunday, June 5th as well as the St. Mary Magdalene Festival which runs June 2nd through June 5th.

COUNCIL DISCUSSION OF THE MAYOR'S REPORT

None.

GENERAL COMMUNICATIONS & REPORTS – Directors & Officials

Service Director – Todd Shannon

Report submitted electronically. The new Service Department trucks have been delivered and the old ones have been turned in. The Road Program should be completed by mid June. The sewer work at Fairway Blvd. and Forestgrove Road has been completed.

Recreation Director - Julie Kless

Opening season for Baseball will be this coming weekend. The City pools will be open on Monday, June 6th.

City Engineer – Tim McLaughlin

The City will be readvertising and obtaining bids for the HVAC improvements at the Senior Center. Plans for the sewer rehab on E. 328 St. between Parkland and Lakeshore Blvd. have been completed and will being going out for bid.

Finance Director - Cheryl Benedict

No written report.

Law Director – Stephanie Landgraf

No written report. The firework legislation will be on the next agenda. Councilman Phares requested that the legislation be sent back to the Safety Committee first for discussion.

Police Chief - Brian Turner

No written report. Applications are being accepted for a dispatch position.

Fire Chief – Joe Tennyson

No written report. Chief Tennyson congratulated one of his firemen, Brian Kolat, for getting hired full-time in the City of Eastlake.

Chief Housing/Zoning Inspector - Sean Brennan

No written report.

Economic Development Manager - Monica Drake

Be Smoothie submitted their final plans to Plan Review. R&Z Auto Recycling received their business permit and Yano's Automotive building and property are for sale however the business is not for sale.

WARD MATTERS

None.

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

- a) Public statement (1 minute maximum)
- b) Council response to the public
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Frank McCarty, 468 E. 328 St., thanked Council for having the tree in front of his house removed so quickly and also wanted to know when the stump would be ground down. Mr. Shannon stated that he was on the list to have the stump taken care and it would hopefully be in the next couple of weeks.

REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES

Finance - Vanni, Bisbee, Koudela

No report.

Safety - Phares, Malta, Bisbee

No report.

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

No report.

Streets, Sidewalks & Sewers - Vanni, Malta, Antosh

Mr. Vanni requested a meeting for June 7 at 6:30 p.m.

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

Mr. Malta thanked the Recreation Department, Service Department and the Eastlake North Football players who helped with Clean Up The Parks Day.

FUND TRANSFERS & BID AUTHORIZATIONS

None.

CONTRACT APPROVALS

5. Motion made by Mr. Malta, seconded by Ms. Antosh authorizing the Mayor to enter into a contract with Ronald A. Sluga for a fee of \$500.00 for the June 26, 2022 Summer Concert Series entertainment at Lakefront Park.

Discussion: None.

Vote: All ayes. Motion carried.

Motion made by Mr. Malta, seconded by Ms. Antosh authorizing the Mayor to enter into a contract with A Strange Crew Band/Robert L. Houry for a fee of \$600.00 for the July 24, 2022 Summer Concert Series entertainment at Lakefront Park

Discussion: None.

Vote: All ayes. Motion carried.

Motion made by Ms. Antosh, seconded by Ms. Bisbee authorizing the Mayor to enter into a contract with Funkology Entertainment LLC for a fee of \$700.00 for the July 31, 2022 Summer Concert Series entertainment at Lakefront Park.

Discussion: None.

Vote: All ayes. Motion carried.

Motion made by Mr. Phares, seconded by Ms. Antosh authorizing the Mayor to enter into a contract with Midnight Trail Band/James Sosic for a fee of \$600.00 for the August 7, 2022 Summer Concert Series entertainment at Lakefront Park.

Discussion: None.

Vote: All ayes. Motion carried.

6. Motion made by Ms. Antosh, seconded by Ms. Bisbee authorizing the Mayor to enter into contract with Deric Langton of Absolute Unbelievable Entertainment for DJ services at the Willowick Car Show on Sunday, August 21, 2022 for a fee of \$300.00.

Discussion: None.

Vote: All ayes. Motion carried.

INTRODUCTION & CONSIDERATION OF LEGISLATION

7. Ordinance No. 2022-23 (Law Director)

An Ordinance authorizing the approval of the Collective Bargaining Agreement between the City of Willowick and the Fraternal Order of Police Willowick Lodge No. 116 (Police Officers), and declaring an emergency.

Tabled 5-3-22

Motion made by Mr. Malta, seconded by Ms. Antosh to waive the three readings on Ordinance No. 2022-23.

Discussion: None.

Vote: All ayes. Motion carried.

Motion made by Ms. Antosh, seconded by Ms. Bisbee to adopt Ordinance No. 2022-23.

Discussion: None.

Vote: All ayes. Motion carried.

8. Ordinance No. 2022-24 (Law Director)

An Ordinance authorizing the approval of the Collective Bargaining Agreement between the City of Willowick and the Fraternal Order of Police Willowick Lodge No. 116 (Dispatchers),

and declaring an emergency.

Tabled 5-3-22

Motion made by Ms. Antosh, seconded by Mr. Phares to waive the three readings on Ordinance No. 2022-24.

Discussion: None.

Vote: All ayes. Motion carried.

Motion made by Ms. Antosh, seconded by Mr. Phares to adopt Ordinance No. 2022-24.

Discussion: None.

Vote: All ayes. Motion carried.

9. Ordinance No. 2022-25 (Law Director)

An Ordinance authorizing the approval of the Collective Bargaining Agreement between the City of Willowick and the Willowick Firefighters Association, and declaring an emergency.

Motion made by Ms. Antosh, seconded by Mr. Phares to waive the three readings on Ordinance No. 2022-25.

Discussion: None.

Vote: All ayes. Motion carried.

Motion made by Mr. Malta, seconded by Ms. Antosh to adopt Ordinance No. 2022-25.

Discussion: None.

Vote: All ayes. Motion carried.

10. Resolution No. 2022-13 (Law Director)

A Resolution authorizing the Mayor to accept the proposal submitted by Environmental Design Group for Economic Development and Planning Services relating to the Willowick Lakefront Connectivity and Downtown Redevelopment Plan, and declaring an emergency.

Motion made by Mr. Phares, seconded by Ms. Antosh to waive the three readings on Resolution No. 2022-13.

Discussion: None.

Vote: All ayes. Motion carried.

Motion made by Ms. Antosh, seconded by Mr. Phares to approve Resolution No. 2022-13.

Discussion: None.

Vote: All ayes. Motion carried.

MISCELLANEOUS

11. Motion made by Mr. Malta, seconded by Mr. Phares authorizing CT Consultants to readvertise and obtain bids for the Willowick Community Center HVAC Improvements.

Discussion: None.

Vote: All ayes. Motion carried.

12. Motion made by Ms. Antosh, seconded by Mr. Phares authorizing the purchase and installation of surveillance cameras and equipment for the Senior Citizen Center to Great Lakes Telecom in the amount of \$17,700. The purchase will be funded from one-time additional revenue provided from the Lake County Senior Citizens Levy.

Discussion: None.

Vote: All ayes. Motion carried.

13. Motion made by Mr. Phares, seconded by Ms. Antosh authorizing the expenditure to the Ohio Auditor of State for auditing services related to the 2021 financial statements and related disclosures in an amount not to exceed \$21,197.00.

Discussion: None.

Vote: All ayes. Motion carried.

14. Motion made by Mr. Phares, seconded by Ms. Antosh authorizing Rob Gross to sign purchase orders during the Service Director's absence from June 16 - June 27, 2022.

Discussion: None.

Vote: All ayes. Motion carried.

15. Motion made by Ms. Antosh, seconded by Mr. Malta authorizing Council to vacate the Council meetings of July 19, 2022 and August 16, 2022.

Discussion: None.

Vote: All ayes. Motion carried.

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

- a) Public statement (1 minute maximum)
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None.

ADJOURN TO EXECUTIVE SESSION

16. Motion made by Ms. Antosh, seconded by Ms. Bisbee to adjourn to Executive Session to discuss contract negotiations and employee compensation at 8:11 p.m.

Discussion: None.

Vote: All ayes. Motion carried.

RETURN TO THE TABLE FROM EXECUTIVE SESSION

Motion made by Ms. Antosh, seconded by Mr. Phares to return to the table from Executive Session at 9:15 p.m.

Discussion: None.

Vote: All ayes. Motion carried.

Motion made by Ms. Antosh, seconded by Mr. Phares to accept the material terms of the tentative agreement for the Fraternal Order of Police, sergeants and above.

Discussion: None.

Vote: All ayes. Motion carried.

Motion made by Mr. Vanni, seconded by Ms. Bisbee to authorize the Mayor to implement an incentive pay schedule for the Willowick Fire Department.

Discussion: None.

Vote: All ayes. Motion carried.

ADJOURNMENT

Motion made by Mr. Phares, seconded by Mr. Malta to adjourn.

Discussion: None.

Vote: All ayes. Motion carried.

Meeting adjourned at 9:20 p.m.

PRESIDENT OF COUNCIL

ATTEST:

CLERK OF COUNCIL