



City of Willowick
CITY COUNCIL REGULAR MEETING

Tuesday, January 17, 2023 at 7:30 PM
City Council Chambers

ADA NOTICE

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MINUTES

CALL MEETING TO ORDER

(Total meetings to date - 1)

The second 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 1 Councilman Patrick Mohorcic
Ward 2 Councilwoman Natalie Antosh
Ward 2 Councilwoman Theresa Bisbee
Ward 3 Councilman David Phares

ABSENT

Ward 3 Councilman Charles Malta

ALSO PRESENT

Mayor Vanni, Finance Director Benedict, Law Director Landgraf, Fire Chief Malovrh, Police Chief Turner, Service Director Shannon, Chief Housing & Zoning Inspector Brennan, City Engineer McLaughlin and Council Clerk Trend

ABSENT

Recreation Director Kless

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

1. Motion made by Ms. Antosh, seconded by Ms. Bisbee to approve the minutes of the Regular City Council Meeting of January 3, 2023.

Discussion: None.

Vote: All ayes. Motion carried.

APPOINTMENTS, SPECIAL RESOLUTIONS & PROCLAMATIONS

2. Motion to appoint Tom Loncala to the Board of Health for a term ending December 31, 2025.

Discussion: None.

Vote: All ayes. Motion carried.

ADMINISTRATIVE APPEALS

None.

REPORTS & COMMUNICATIONS FROM THE MAYOR/SAFETY DIRECTOR

The City has made a request to the Lake County Commissioner's Office for assistance with ARPA funds for the Fairway Sewer Project, traffic signals throughout the City and a generator for the Community Center. The City has also just learned that the City of Euclid passed legislation on October 3, 2022 increasing the sewer rate to Willowick by 25% which was effective January 1, 2023. The City was anticipating an increase to the sewer rate from Euclid but not to this extent and without prior communication from the City of Euclid. Finance Director Benedict stated this is an increase of approximately \$500,000.00 to the City. Mayor Vanni requested a Finance Committee meeting as soon as possible to discuss the rate increase.

COUNCIL DISCUSSION OF THE MAYOR'S REPORT

None.

GENERAL COMMUNICATIONS & REPORTS – Directors & Officials**Service Director – Todd Shannon**

Report submitted electronically. Road crews are filling potholes and the sewer mains are being jetted and televised to be sent over to the City Engineer.

Recreation Director – Julie Kless

No written report - absent.

City Engineer – Tim McLaughlin

No written report.

Finance Director – Cheryl Benedict

No written report. Budget meetings with the directors and chiefs are finished. The December financial statement has been sent out.

Law Director – Stephanie Landgraf

No written report. Development standard revisions for the retail district and mixed use district will be on the next Planning Commission agenda.

Police Chief – Brian Turner

No written report. The 2022 Annual report has been sent out. The Police Department has obtained wheel locks for the Hyundai and Kia owners.

Fire Chief – Bill Malovrh

No written report.

Chief Housing/Zoning Inspector – Sean Brennan

No written report.

WARD MATTERS

Mr. Mohorcic will be the liaison alternate for Board of Zoning Appeals.

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)

Phil Detering, 469 Bayridge Blvd., inquired if the Fire Chief obtained the data on the number of ambulance runs made in the city last year. Chief Malovrh stated there were 2433 runs in 2022 and 2488 in 2021.

REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES**Finance – Bisbee, Koudela, Mohorcic**

Finance Committee meeting will be scheduled for Monday, January 23, 2023 at 6:00 p.m.

Safety – Phares, Malta, Bisbee

No report.

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

No report.

Streets, Sidewalks & Sewers – Malta, Antosh, Mohorcic

No report.

Tax Compliance – Koudela, Antosh, Patton

No report.

Moral Claims – Antosh, Phares, Patton

Moral Claims Committee meeting will be scheduled for Thursday, January 26, 2023 at 6:00 p.m.

Budget – Koudela, Bisbee, Mohorcic

Budget Hearings re-scheduled to Saturday, February 11, 2023 at 8:00 a.m.

LIAISON REPORTS**Planning – Phares/Alternate Koudela**

No report.

Board of Zoning Appeals – Koudela

No report.

Volunteer Fire Fighters' Dependents Fund Board – Antosh, Phares

No report.

Recreation Board – Bisbee/Alternate Phares

A CPR class will be given to all of the league coaches sometime in April.

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. 2023-1 (Law Director)**

An Ordinance establishing the 2023 Fee Schedule for the Willowick Recreation Department, repealing certain ordinances, and declaring an emergency.

Motion made by Ms. Antosh, seconded by Ms. Bisbee to waive the three readings on Ordinance No. 2023-1.

Discussion: None.

Vote: all ayes. Motion carried.

Motion made by Ms. Antosh, seconded by Ms. Bisbee to adopt Ordinance No. 2023-1.

Discussion: None.

Vote: all ayes. Motion carried.

The Fiscal Officer's Certificate was presented to the Clerk of Council prior to the introduction of the Ordinance No. 2023-2.

4. Ordinance No. 2023-2 (Finance Director)

An Ordinance providing for the issuance and sale of \$138,635 of notes, in anticipation of the issuance of bonds, for the purpose of paying costs of improving the Municipal Sewerage System, and declaring an emergency.

Motion made by Ms. Antosh, seconded by Mr. Mohorcic to waive the three readings on Ordinance No. 2023-2.

Discussion: None.

Vote: all ayes. Motion carried.

Motion made by Ms. Antosh, seconded by Mr. Phares to adopt Ordinance No. 2023-2.

Discussion: None.

Vote: All ayes. Motion carried.

5. Resolution No. 2023-1

A Resolution to approve authorizations (Then and Now Certificate) to Morton Salt in the amount of \$6,342.57, for the City of Willowick, and declaring an emergency.

Motion made by Ms. Antosh, seconded by Mr. Phares to waive the three readings on Resolution No. 2023-1.

Discussion: None.

Vote: All ayes. Motion carried.

MISCELLANEOUS

6. Motion made by Ms. Antosh, seconded by Mr. Phares authorizing \$25,000 for CT Consultants to perform Sanitary Sewer System Engineering Services including review of CCTV of various sewers, sewer system Inflow and Infiltration studies, neighborhood smoke testing, sewer modeling, basement flooding studies, rain event analysis and sewer system metering.

Discussion: None.

Vote: All ayes. Motion carried.

7. Motion made by Ms. Antosh, seconded by Mr. Phares authorizing the expenditure to Stryker in the amount of \$16,651.60 for eight LIFEPAK Defibrillators.

Discussion: None.

Vote: All ayes. Motion carried.

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.

ADJOURN TO EXECUTIVE SESSION

8. Motion made by Mr. Phares, seconded by Ms. Antosh to adjourn to Executive Session to consider the purchase or sale of real property and employment and compensation of a public official or employee at 8:06 p.m.

Discussion: None.

Vote: All ayes. Motion carried.

RETURN TO THE TABLE FROM EXECUTIVE SESSION

Motion to return to the table from Executive Session at 8:35 p.m.

Discussion: None.

Vote: All ayes. Motion carried.

Motion to approve a contract with Sherman Valuation and Review, LLC. in an amount up to and not to exceed \$7,500.00 regarding the appraisal of commercial property owned by the city.

Discussion: None.

Vote: All ayes. Motion carried.

ADJOURNMENT

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

Discussion: None.

Vote: All ayes. Motion carried.

Meeting adjourned at 8:37 p.m.



PRESIDENT OF COUNCIL

ATTEST: 

CLERK OF COUNCIL