

WOOSTER CITY COUNCIL MINUTES
June 6, 2016

I. ROLL CALL & ORDERING OF AGENDA

President Mike Buytendyk called the regular meeting of Wooster City Council to order at 7:30 p.m. in council chambers. All members of City Council were present except Jon Ansel and David Silvestri. City Administration present: Mayor Bob Breneman, Finance Director Andrei Dordea, Director of Administration Joel Montgomery, Law Director Richard Benson, Fire Chief Barry Saley, Development Coordinator Jonathan Millea, and Kevin Givins.

II. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Councilman Myers moved to approve the minutes of the May 16, 2016 meeting, seconded by Councilman Cavin. By voice vote the motion passed unanimously.

III. COMMUNICATIONS FROM MAYOR/ADMINISTRATION

Mayor Breneman stated that the Kiwanis playground will be dedicated next Tuesday, June 14th at Christmas Run Park. The Strawberry Social starts at 4:30pm. All are welcome to attend. The dedication is going to start at 8pm. The City contributed approximately \$100,000 to the rebuild of the playground. Everyone had a part in it.

The Memorial Day parade was a great success and the pool has opened. The Mayor thanks the Veterans association for organizing the parade.

The flower baskets are all in downtown. Citizens of Wooster donated \$5,000 to help defray the costs. It is an important part of our downtown.

There is an emergency measure that the City has to move forward on for the repairs to the screening at the wastewater treatment plant.

The CDBG grant application has to be submitted before next council meeting. The Mayor requests a special meeting next Monday, June 13th.

IV. PETITIONS/COMMUNICATIONS FROM PUBLIC [None.]

V. COMMITTEE REPORTS; PUBLIC HEARINGS

There will be a public hearing next Council Meeting on the Budget Proposal and a Public Utilities meeting. The Utilities meeting is Monday, June 13th at 6pm in Council Chambers.

VI. OLD BUSINESS [None]

VII. NEW BUSINESS

1. First Reading- Ordinance 2016-16 -An ordinance authorizing the Mayor to enter into a preannexation agreement with certain property owners for the purpose of facilitating the annexation and extension of utility services to those properties, and declaring an emergency (Sanders)

Property owners on Perkins Avenue wish to annex and obtain utility services from the City of Wooster.

1. First Reading- Resolution 2016-35 -A resolution providing for the annual tax budget for 2017 (Sanders)

Pursuant to the Ohio Revised Code, the annual tax budget must be filed with the Wayne County Auditor on or before July 20, 2016.

1. First Reading Resolution 2016-36 -A resolution authorizing the Director of Administration to enter into a contract for repairs to the influent sewage screening equipment at the wastewater treatment plant, and declaring an emergency (Sanders)

It is necessary to repair the influent sewage screening equipment at the plant. The screens are 10 years old and repairs are considered normal wear and tear. If not immediately repaired, failure of the screens is imminent and would cause damage to other equipment

1. First Reading 2016-37 -A resolution authorizing the Director of Finance to issue payment for legal services in connection with the litigation of certain issues relating to the issuance by the Ohio Division of Natural Resources of a permit to Enviroclean services to process certain potentially hazardous substances, and declaring an emergency (Sanders)

In 2013 Enviroclean was issued a permit by the ODNR, that was absent of regulation, to process polluted, and potentially radioactive, waste water from fracking. Thirty similar permits were issued throughout the state. Frost Brown Todd provided legal services to represent the City and obtained a favorable decision from the Oil and Gas Commission. The permit issued to Enviroclean from ODNR was revoked. If the permit is issued again, steps must be taken to prohibit hazardous materials from entering into the watershed. Councilman Ulbright applauds the City's efforts to protect the health of tax payers and citizens from the reckless move of granting such a permit. Mr. Benson added that it was Mindy Cavin and Teresa Mills that made it possible by notifying the City of the issue prior to the deadline of being able to file an appeal.

1. First Reading 2016-38 -A resolution authorizing the Mayor to submit an application to the state of Ohio Development Services Agency for a small cities Community Development Block Grant and a companion critical infrastructure grant; to accept such monies, if awarded; to execute any necessary documents in connection therewith; and declaring an emergency (Myers)

The State of Ohio Development Services Agency notified the City of its eligibility for an allocation of up to \$79,000 from the Ohio Small Cities Community Block Grant funds for FY 2016. The grant has a deadline of June 17, 2016.

VIII. MISCELLANEOUS

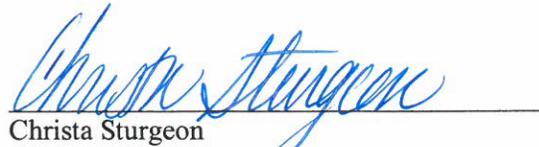
Councilman Ulbright discussed a news article concerning Ohio bill H-180. It bans local hiring goals and prevents local money from supporting local communities. It is an assault on home rule by state legislation. The City was not aware of this bill and was not notified by its representatives in Columbus. Ulbright recommends the Council and City to have further discussion on the matter and to possibly issue a formal letter of protest, as well as, address it on the City's webpage and newspaper. Councilman Cavin welcomes more information on the matter and would be happy to sign a petition if one were garnered. Councilwoman Knapic wishes all our local graduates the best of luck and hopes they return to Wooster after all their many adventures to bring back lots of ideas, business, and prosperity to our city. Councilman Myers recognizes the Boy Scout present who is working on his merit badge and thanks him for attending.

IX. ADJOURNMENT

Councilman Ulbright moved to adjourn, seconded by Councilman Myers. By voice vote the motion passed unanimously.



Michael G. Buytendyk
President of Council



Christa Sturgeon
Clerk of Council