

WOOSTER CITY COUNCIL MINUTES
July 5, 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 Councilmen Cavin and Myers. City Administration present: Mayor Bob Breneman, Finance Director Andrei Dordea, Director of Administration Joel Montgomery, Law Directors Richard Benson and Linda Applebaum, and Chief Matt Fisher.

II. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Councilwoman Knapic moved to approve the minutes of the June 20, 2016 meeting, seconded by Councilman Ansel. By voice vote the motion passed unanimously.

III. COMMUNICATIONS FROM MAYOR/ADMINISTRATION

Mayor Breneman shared that Brian and Tammy Polen were awarded the Ohio development service agency grant for the Ohio Historic Preservation tax credit for the Faber building. This is the first one of these grants that Wayne County and Wooster has ever gotten. These grants normally go to bigger entities such as Cleveland, Columbus, and Cincinnati. Jonathan Millea was instrumental in the process. Last Tuesday, Director Goodman presented the award in Wooster. It was an honor and the Mayor greatly thanks the Polens' for taking on that challenge. The Mayor took a moment to acknowledge Sandra Hull and her work in helping introduce the speakers at the award presentation.

The groundbreaking for the Safety Center took place on Thursday, June 30th. This has been 8.5 years in the making.

The courthouse rededication was Saturday morning. The Mason's assisted in placing the time capsule back under the statue. On Monday Joel attended the ceremony for the time capsule placed inside the building.

The 4th of July fireworks went well with the new vendor. The exchange club did a great job and the Mayor extends his appreciation to Mr. Gil Ning.

A sad note concerning the passing of Stan Gault. Mr. Gault had been a great friend to the City of Wooster. His calling hours will be Friday, July 8th from 3-7pm at McIntire Funeral Home. The funeral will be held Saturday, July 9th at 10:30am at the United Methodist Church.

WARCOG will go live Thursday, July 7th.

The Mayor welcomes Sarah Bolton as the new President of the College of Wooster. She started on July 1st.

A special council meeting will need to take place this week as there are time sensitive items of legislation.

IV. PETITIONS/COMMUNICATIONS FROM PUBLIC [none]

V. COMMITTEE REPORTS; PUBLIC HEARINGS [none]

VI. OLD BUSINESS

Second Reading- RESOLUTION NO. 2016-40

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE DIRECTOR OF ADMINISTRATION TO ENTER INTO A CONTRACT WITH OGM ADVISORS FOR PROFESSIONAL ENGINEERING SERVICES RELATED TO THE DOWNTOWN STREETScape (Ulbright)

The councilmembers voiced concerns over the preliminary design layouts. The item will be tabled until the next regularly scheduled council meeting.

VII. NEW BUSINESS

1. First Reading - ORDINANCE NO. 2016-017
AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO ENTER INTO AN AGREEMENT WITH TAMMY AND BRIAN POLEN FOR COMMUNITY REINVESTMENT AREA TAX INCENTIVES AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY (Ansel)

Councilman Ansel gave a brief summary of the proposed Ordinance. The Polens' desire to renovate the historic Faber building to save it from demolition and are requesting 10 year 100% tax abatement. Mr. Polen stated that they do not feel the investment is a risk. They are happy to grow their business in the newly coined power block of downtown Wooster.

2. First Reading - AMENDED RESOLUTION NO. 2016-17
A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE DIRECTOR OF ADMINISTRATION TO ADVERTISE ACCORDING TO LAW AND ENTER INTO A CONTRACT WITH THE LOWEST AND BEST BIDDER FOR PAVEMENT REPAIRS ON VARIOUS STREETS (Ulbright)

The Resolution was amended to include, but not be limited to public roads Ramblewood and Sandalwood Estates.

Councilman Ulbright moved, seconded by Councilwoman Knapic to adopt. Upon roll call, motion to adopt carried unanimously (Ansel-yes; Knapic-yes; Sanders-yes; Silvestri-yes; and Ulbright-yes).

3. First Reading - ORDINANCE NO. 2016-18
AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO ENTER INTO A PREANNEXATION AGREEMENT WITH A CERTAIN PROPERTY OWNER FOR THE PURPOSE OF FACILITATING THE ANNEXATION AND EXTENSION OF UTILITY SERVICES TO THAT PROPERTY, AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY (Sanders)

The property owners of 644 Robinson Road will request annexation when their land becomes contiguous with the City.

4. First Reading - ORDINANCE NO. 2016-19
AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE ANNUAL APPROPRIATION ORDINANCE NO. 2015-37 (Cavin)

Bids received back for the Safety Center came in 8.6% higher than expected due to market conditions. Approval for \$200,000 for furnishings and equipment are also requested.

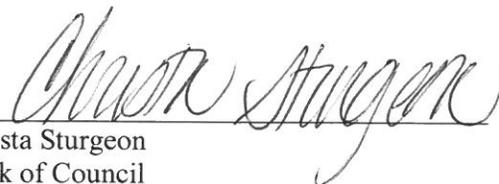
VIII. MISCELLANEOUS [None]

IX. ADJOURNMENT

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



Michael G. Buytendyk
President of Council



Christa Sturgeon
Clerk of Council