
WOOSTER CITY COUNCIL MINUTES
November 20, 2017

I. ROLL CALL & ORDERING OF AGENDA

President Mike Buytendyk called the regular meeting of Wooster City Council to order at 7:40 p.m. in council chambers. Lynne DePaulo, Council Clerk, called roll with the following members present; Jon Ansel, Mark Cavin, Barb Knapic, Scott Myers, Craig Sanders, Dave Silvestri and Jon Ulbright. City Administration present: Mayor Bob Breneman, Director of Administration Joel Montgomery, Chief Matt Fisher, Director of Law Linda Applebaum, Director of Finance Andrei Dordea, and Accounting Manager Saralyn Lash.

Lindsey Kuhn Blair, Auditor of State's office, presented Andrei Dordea with the Auditor of State with Distinction Award.

II. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Councilwoman Knapic moved to approve the minutes of the November 6, 2017, meeting, seconded by Councilman Silvestri. By voice vote, the motion passed unanimously.

III. COMMUNICATIONS FROM MAYOR/ADMINISTRATION

Mayor Breneman spoke on the recent loss of Megan Keller. He also mentioned Window Wonderland and praised Main Street Wooster and the Chamber for their hard work in putting together the event along with being the recipient of the Best Hometown Award for the 2nd time. He thanked city employees for their hard work in putting the 2018 budget together for review by the Finance Committee and City Council.

IV. PETITIONS/COMMUNICATIONS FROM PUBLIC

Greg Gehris, 347 N. Grant Street, Wooster Ohio, questioned Resolution 2017-51.

V. COMMITTEE REPORTS; PUBLIC HEARINGS

Councilman Ansel gave a quick review of the Finance Committee meeting. He appreciated the thoroughness along with the detail and accuracy of the budget forecast. Mr. Ansel has scheduled another Finance Committee meeting for Monday, December 4th, at 6:00 p.m. to continue the budget analysis.

VI. OLD BUSINESS - NONE

VII. NEW BUSINESS

1. First Reading – RESOLUTION NO. 2017-48
A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE DIRECTOR OF ADMINISTRATION TO ENTER INTO A CONTRACT FOR PROPERTY AND GENERAL LIABILITY INSURANCE FOR THE MUNICIPAL GOVERNMENT (Ansel)

Councilman Ansel stated this was an annual renewal and that the City had a long-standing relationship with the Ohio Plan and Whitaker-Myers. Mr. Bender spoke briefly about the benefits of using a local agent. It is a budgeted item, and he encouraged council to pass the resolution.

Councilman Ansel moved, seconded by Councilman Myers, to adopt. Upon roll call, motion to adopt carried 7-0 (Ansel-yes; Cavin-yes; Knapic-yes; Myers-yes; Sanders-yes; Silvestri-yes; and Ulbright-yes).

2. First Reading – ORDINANCE 2017-36
AN ORDINANCE APPROPRIATING FROM VARIOUS FUNDS TO INDIVIDUAL ACCOUNTS FOR THE CURRENT EXPENSES AND OTHER EXPENDITURES FOR THE

CITY OF WOOSTER FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 2018, AND
DECLARING AN EMERGENCY (Ansel)

Councilman Ansel introduced the legislation for the 2018 Budget which incorporates both the Wooster Community Hospital and the City of Wooster. The Finance Committee had reviewed the numbers at the meeting held that evening. Mr. Ansel encouraged council to review the numbers over the next two weeks and come to the Finance Committee meeting on December 4th with any questions. The legislation has had its first reading.

3. First Reading – RESOLUTION NO. 2017-50
A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE DIRECTOR OF ADMINISTRATION TO ENTER INTO A PROFESSIONAL OR TECHNICAL SERVICES CONTRACT FOR THE PURCHASE OF A FINANCIAL MANAGEMENT INFORMATION SYSTEM, AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY (Ansel)

Councilman Ansel stated that it is pretty remarkable that the current software has been in place for 18 years. The Finance Department and “power” users met with various software companies, and it was determined that Tyler Technologies would be the most cost-effective and best software to use. The new software will run tandemly with the current IFAS software for one year. The cost for the Tyler Technologies software is \$50,000 less than the current software and is price fixed for five years.

Councilman Ansel moved to suspend the rules and place on third and final reading, seconded by Councilman Knapic. Upon roll call, motion carried 7-0 (Ansel-yes; Cavin-yes; Knapic-yes; Myers-yes; Sanders-yes; Silvestri-yes; and Ulbright-yes). Councilman Ansel moved, seconded by Councilwoman Knapic, to adopt. Upon roll call, motion to adopt carried 7-0 (Ansel-yes; Cavin-yes; Knapic-yes; Myers-yes; Sanders-yes; Silvestri-yes; and Ulbright-yes).

4. First Reading – RESOLUTION NO. 2017-51
A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING AGREEMENTS WITH VARIOUS APPLICANTS FOR THE USE OF ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT MONIES (Ansel)

Councilman Ansel stated that the tradition continues with the collaboration between the three entities to submit one application for the funding. The 3% bed tax surcharge created \$273,000 in revenue for 2017. Justin Starlin, Wooster Chamber of Commerce, said that positive things are happening in the area and can be attributed to three things; the promotion of community, retaining economic development and encouraging community involvement. Mike Mariola, Main Street Wooster, stated that in 1987 (when Main Street first started) the vacancy rate was 40%. Thirty years later the vacancy rate is less than 5%. Main Street hosts 15 events annually bringing approximately 25, 000 to downtown and is very appreciative of the funding. Marty Starkey, WCCVB, said that in 2015, over \$244,000,000 was spent in tourism dollars in Wayne County. She wants to see that number continue to grow.

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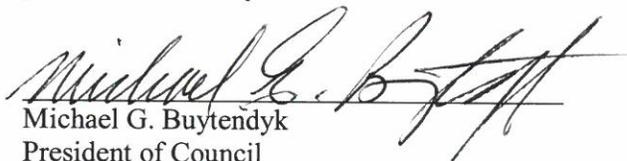
VIII. MISCELLANEOUS

Councilman Silvestri wanted to clarify the dates on Resolution 2017-48. Mr. Dordea stated that it wasn't a fiscal year, but rather ran October to October, that's why the dates seem off. Various councilmembers expressed their thanks to Main Street, Wooster Chamber and the Visitors Bureau for their efforts in promoting Wooster and Wayne County. They also congratulated Mr. Dordea and his finance team for the

Auditor's Award. Councilman Myers thanked the voters for their support with his re-election. Newly elected councilmembers, Jennifer Warden (Ward 2) and Bill Bostancic (At-large) were welcomed along with congratulating reelected Jon Ansel (At-large).

IX. ADJOURNMENT

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


Michael G. Buytendyk
President of Council


Lynne DePaulo
Clerk of Council

