


WOOSTER CITY COUNCIL MINUTES
November 19, 2018

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. Lynne DePaulo, Council Clerk, called roll with the following members present; Scott Myers, Craig Sanders, Dave Silvestri, Jon Ansel, Mark Cavin, Bill Bostancic and Jennifer Warden. City Administration present: Director of Administration Joel Montgomery, Mayor Bob Breneman, Finance Director Andrei Dordea, Law Director John Scavelli, Economic Coordinator Jonathan Millea, Recreation Manager Jeff Battig, Recreation Supervisor Ashley Hershberger, IT Manager Bob Eshelman, Planning and Zoning Manager Andrew Dutton, Assistant Police Chief Scott Rotolo and Chief Matt Fisher.

II. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Councilwoman Warden moved to approve the minutes of the November 5, 2018, meeting, seconded by Councilman Ansel. By voice vote, the motion passed unanimously. Councilman Ansel motioned to appoint President Buytendyk to the CRA Housing Council, seconded by Councilman Myers. Upon voice vote the motion carried unanimously.

III. COMMUNICATIONS FROM MAYOR/ADMINISTRATION

Mayor Breneman spoke on the 2019 budget, Wayne Economic Development and the bed tax legislation.

IV. PETITIONS/COMMUNICATIONS FROM PUBLIC

Greg Gehris, 347 N. Grant, Wooster, gave his reasons for opposing Resolution 2018-069 and Ordinance 2018-021.

V. COMMITTEE REPORTS; PUBLIC HEARINGS

Councilman Ansel gave an update from Finance Committee meeting. He thanked Wayne Economic Development, Ohio Light Opera and Wayne Center for the Arts for their presentations at the meeting. Mr. Ansel set a Finance Committee meeting for December 3, 2018 at 6:00 p.m. to review the 2019 Budget Allocations.

Councilman Sanders opened the public hearing for the zoning map amendment and introduced Andrew Dutton who spoke on the issue. The property is located on the northeast corner of Burbank Road and West Smithville-Western Road. The request is to change the zoning to C3. Attorney Majeed Mathlounf stated he represented the applicant and answered questions from council regarding the issue. President Buytendyk reminded council their job tonight is to consider the zoning, nothing else. Councilman Sanders closed the public hearing.

VI. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

1. Third Reading – ORDINANCE NO. 2018-019
AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 162, MANAGEMENT BENEFITS, OF THE CODIFIED ORDINANCES OF THE CITY OF WOOSTER, OHIO AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY (Sanders)

Councilman Sanders stated this resolution is designed to give management the same benefits as the unions. He asked if this is imperative to attract the quality of employee we would like to have. Mayor Breneman said yes. It is also a motivation for current employees to go after promotions. Mr. Montgomery said this basically removes the sunset clauses.

Councilman Sanders moved to adopt, seconded by Councilman Silvestri. Upon roll call motion to adopt carried 5-2 (Ansel-yes; Cavin – yes; Myers – no; Sanders – no; Bostancic-yes; Silvestri-yes; and Warden – yes)

2. Second Reading – RESOLUTION NO. 2018-066
A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO ENTER INTO A CONTRACT WITH THE WOOSTER YMCA FOR PROFESSIONAL ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES RELATED TO THE MANAGEMENT AND OPERATION OF THE CITY OF WOOSTER’S SWIMMING FACILITIES (Myers)

Councilman Myers asked for the resolution to be approved. It is a great partnership between the YMCA and the City of Wooster to manage the city’s pools.

Councilman Myers moved, seconded by Councilman Ansel to suspend the rules. Upon roll call, motion to suspend carried 7-0 (Ansel-yes; Cavin-yes; Myers-yes; Sanders-yes; Bostancic-yes; Silvestri – yes; Warden – yes). Councilman Myers moved to adopt, seconded by Councilman Silvestri. Upon roll call motion to adopt carried 6-1 (Ansel-yes; Cavin – no; Myers – yes; Sanders – yes; Bostancic-yes; Silvestri-yes; and Warden – yes)

3. Second Reading – ORDINANCE NO. 2018-020
AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 375, SNOWMOBILES, OFF-HIGHWAY MOTORCYCLES AND ALL PURPOSE VEHICLES, OF THE CODIFIED ORDINANCES OF THE CITY OF WOOSTER, OHIO AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY (Sanders)

Councilman Sanders requested this go to third reading.

4. Second Reading – Ordinance 2018-021
AN ORDINANCE ALLOWING MEMBERS OF THE WOOSTER CITY COUNCIL TO PURCHASE HEALTH CARE INSURANCE BENEFITS THROUGH THE CITY OF WOOSTER (Sanders)

Councilman Sanders said they would revisit the issue in two weeks.

VII. NEW BUSINESS

1. First Reading – ORDINANCE NO. 2018-022
AN ORDINANCE AMENDING PART ELEVEN, PLANNING AND ZONING CODE, OF THE CODIFIED ORDINANCES OF THE CITY OF WOOSTER, OHIO, TO ZONE LAND (53.428 ACRES) TO C-3 (GENERAL COMMERCIAL) FOR PROPERTY LOCATED ON THE NORTHEAST CORNER OF BURBANK ROAD AND WEST SMITHVILLE-WESTERN ROAD KNOWN AS PARCEL 67-02990.000 (Sanders)

Councilman Sanders said the public hearing had been held. The Planning Commission approved the change unanimously at their October 24, 2018 meeting. Councilman Ansel likes the zoning request, it’s an ideal location for commercial expansion. Councilman Sanders called for a vote in two weeks.

2. First Reading – RESOLUTION NO. 2018-067
A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE DIRECTOR OF ADMINISTRATION TO CONTRACT WITH COMMUNITY ACTION OF WAYNE/MEDINA COUNTIES FOR THE PROVISION OF

TRANSPORTATION SERVICES FOR QUALIFIED PARTICIPANTS (Myers)

Councilman Myers introduced Ashley Hershberger to talk about the program. She spoke on who uses the transports, the numbers involved and how the program has grown. Eric Swartzentruber, Wooster Transit is interested in adding a second route to include more residential areas. Beth Beatty, resident, gave her endorsement of the services and told how her life has been improved because of the transportation service. Leslie Baus, Community Action, started an Advisory Committee that is committed to improving the transportation system.

Councilman Myers moved, seconded by Councilman Cavin to suspend the rules. Upon roll call, motion to suspend carried 7-0 (Ansel-yes; Cavin-yes; Myers-yes; Sanders-yes; Bostancic-yes; Silvestri – yes; Warden – yes). Councilman Myers moved to adopt, seconded by Councilman Ansel. Upon roll call motion to adopt carried 7-0 (Ansel-yes; Cavin – yes; Myers – yes; Sanders – yes; Bostancic-yes; Silvestri-yes; and Warden – yes)

3. First Reading – ORDINANCE NO. 2018-023
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, 2019, AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY (Ansel)

Councilman Ansel asked for council to review the 2019 Budget Appropriations information that was just given them and be ready to discuss at the December 3rd, Finance Committee meeting. Scott Boyes, Wooster Community Hospital, will be present and give his presentation. Councilman Myers asked if Mr. Boyes could provide a salary comparison at his presentation.

4. First Reading – RESOLUTION NO. 2018-068
A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE DIRECTOR OF ADMINISTRATION TO ENTER INTO A PURCHASE CONTRACT WITH BAY POINTE TECHNOLOGY OF RICHFIELD, OHIO FOR SPECIALIZED TECHNOLOGY RELATED TO THE CITY'S SERVERS AND DATA STORAGE, AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY (Ansel)

Councilman Ansel stated this is a resolution to increase the data storage for the City. Bob Eshelman explained the need for the increase. It is a budgeted item. There is a significant price reduction by purchasing before the end of the year.

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

5. First Reading - RESOLUTION NO. 2018-069
A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING AGREEMENTS WITH VARIOUS APPLICANTS FOR THE USE OF ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT MONIES (Ansel)

Councilman Ansel reviewed the bed tax legislation. He stated that next year the funding for bed tax should be greater due to several new hotels becoming operational. Sandra Hull, Justin Starlin and Marty Starkey all spoke and explained how the bed tax funding was important to their organizations.

Councilman Ansel moved, seconded by Councilman Myers to suspend the rules. Upon roll call, motion to suspend carried 6-1 (Ansel-yes; Cavin-yes; Myers-yes; Sanders-yes; Bostancic-no; Silvestri – yes; Warden – yes). Councilman Ansel moved to adopt, seconded by Councilman Silvestri. Upon roll call motion to adopt carried 7-0 (Ansel-yes; Cavin – yes; Myers – yes; Sanders – yes; Bostancic-yes; Silvestri-yes; and Warden – yes)

6. First Reading – RESOLUTION NO. 2018-070

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO ENTER INTO AN AGREEMENT WITH THE WAYNE ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT COUNCIL FOR ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT SERVICES (Ansel)

Councilman Ansel thanked Tom Pukys for his presentation on the Wayne Economic Development Council. Councilman Myers requested more information and statistics; the resolution will go to second reading.

7. First Reading – ORDINANCE NO. 2018-024

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 521, HEALTH, SAFETY, AND SANITATION, OF THE CODIFIED ORDINANCES OF THE CITY OF WOOSTER, OHIO AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY (Myers)

Councilman Myers would like to get community input on this piece of legislation that would ban vaping in city facilities. It will go to second reading.

8. First Reading – ORDINANCE NO. 2018-025

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 521, HEALTH, SAFETY, AND SANITATION, OF THE CODIFIED ORDINANCES OF THE CITY OF WOOSTER, OHIO AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY (Sanders)

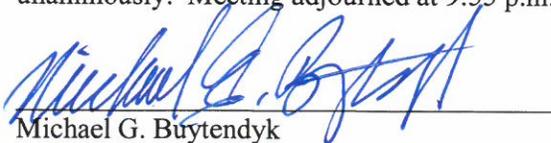
Councilman Sanders deferred to Administration to explain the ordinance. Mr. Scavelli spoke on how difficult it was to develop this legislation and the issues involved. He tried to draft it to be legal, compassionate and effective. The law will prohibit people from sleeping on the streets if the city can prove that shelter is available. It will go to second reading.

VIII. MISCELLANEOUS

Finance Committee meeting on December 3rd, 6:00 p.m. to discuss 2019 Budget Allocations.

IX. ADJOURNMENT

Councilman Cavin moved to adjourn, seconded by Councilman Ansel. By voice vote, the motion passed unanimously. Meeting adjourned at 9:55 p.m.



Michael G. Buytendyk
President of Council



Lynne DePaulo
Clerk of Council