

WOOSTER CITY COUNCIL MINUTES
December 2, 2019

I. ROLL CALL & ORDERING OF AGENDA

President Mike Buytendyk called the regular meeting of Wooster City Council to order at 7:35 p.m. in council chambers. Lynne DePaulo, Council Clerk, called roll with the following members present; Scott Myers, Craig Sanders, Jon Ansel, Bill Bostancic, Jennifer Warden, David Silvestri, and Mark Cavin. City Administration present: Mayor Bob Breneman, Finance Director Andrei Dordea, Law Director John Scavelli, Recreation Supervisor Ashley Hershberger, Development Coordinator Jonathan Millea and Chief Fisher.

II. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Councilman Myers moved to approve the minutes of the November 18, 2019 meeting, seconded by Councilwoman Warden. Upon voice vote, the minutes were approved unanimously.

III. COMMUNICATIONS FROM MAYOR/ADMINISTRATION

Mayor Breneman thanked council members that attended the Wooster Community Hospital's event this evening that celebrated the hospital being named again as one of the Top 100 IBM/Watson hospitals. Bill Sheron was honored for his 25 years of working at the hospital.

Mayor Breneman stated that the city is actively working on recruiting a Charter Review Commission. Candidates have been contacted.

Mayor Breneman presented council with a memo requesting appointments to various boards and commissions.

President Buytendyk reviewed the memo and requested motions to appoint the individuals.

Civil Service Commission: Reg Kramer; term 1/1/2020 to 12/31/2025 Councilman Myers motioned to appoint Mr. Kramer to the Civil Service Commission, seconded by Councilman Ansel. Upon voice vote, the motion passed unanimously.

Hospital Board of Governors: Greg Long; term 1/1/2020 – 12/31/2023 Councilman Silvestri motioned to appoint Mr. Long to the Hospital Board of Governors, seconded by Councilman Cavin. Upon voice vote, the motion passed unanimously.

Tax Incentive Review Council; Adam Briggs; term 1/1/2020 – 12/31/2022 Councilwoman Warden motioned to appoint Mr. Briggs to the Tax Incentive Review Council, seconded by Councilman Myers. Upon voice vote, the motion passed unanimously.

Community Reinvestment Area Housing: Jennifer Warden; term 1/1/2020 – 12/31/2022 and Mark Cavin; term 1/1/2020 – 12/31/2022. President Buytendyk asked for a motion to appoint Jennifer Warden and Mark Cavin by unanimous acclamation. Councilman Bostancic so moved, seconded by Councilman Silvestri. Upon voice vote, the motion passed unanimously.

IV. PETITIONS/COMMUNICATIONS FROM PUBLIC - NONE

V. COMMITTEE REPORTS; PUBLIC HEARINGS

Councilman Ansel opened the public hearing regarding the Health Care Facilities Revenue Bonds referenced in Resolution No. 2019-61 which had its first reading at the November 18, 2019 city council meeting. There was no public input. Councilman Ansel closed the public hearing.

VI. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

1. Second Reading – *AMENDED* RESOLUTION NO. 2019-60

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, *AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY*
(Myers)

Councilman Myers stated that the resolution was on its second reading and had been amended to include the emergency clause so the contract can be in place before the end of the year.

President Buytendyk asked if the transportation services are expanded to the county residents whether there was a good method to ensure that city funding wasn't being used towards county services. Ms. Hershberger stated that CAW/M has a good tracking system and tracks whether it is a city or county resident using the services. Councilman Cavin requested council be kept informed when more employers buy-in to the program.

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

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

2. Second Reading ORDINANCE NO. 2019-22

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, 2020, AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY (Ansel)

Councilman Ansel stated that everyone should have had time to review the budget projections and be prepared to discuss at the December 9, 2019 Finance Committee meeting. He thanked the administration for their thorough, concise and conservative budget projections. The ordinance is considered to have its second reading.

3. Second Reading – RESOLUTION NO. 2019-61

A RESOLUTION GRANTING APPROVAL OF THE ISSUANCE BY THE COUNTY OF MONTGOMERY, OHIO OF ITS REVENUE BONDS, A PORTION OF THE PROCEEDS OF WHICH WILL BE USED TO FINANCE AND REFINANCE FACILITIES OWNED AND OPERATED BY LIFECARE HOSPICE LOCATED WITHIN THE CITY OF WOOSTER, OHIO; AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY (Ansel)

Councilman Ansel reviewed the resolution and said there were no surprises here. Councilman Myers recused himself from the proceedings.

Councilman Ansel moved to suspend the rules, seconded by Councilman Cavin. Upon roll call motion to suspend carried 6-0. (Sanders – yes; Bostancic-yes; Cavin -yes; Warden – yes; Silvestri – yes; Ansel - yes)

Councilman Ansel moved to adopt, seconded by Councilman Sanders. Upon roll call motion to adopt carried 6-0. (Sanders – yes; Bostancic-yes; Cavin -yes; Warden – yes; Silvestri – yes; Ansel - yes)

Councilman Myers returned to the podium after the vote.

4. Second Reading – ORDINANCE NO. 2019-23

AN ORDINANCE ADOPTING A RED FLAG POLICY AND ESTABLISHING AN IDENTITY THEFT PREVENTION PROGRAM FOR THE DEPARTMENTS OF UTILITIES AND FINANCE, AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY (Sanders)

Councilman Sanders stated the FTC had placed this on our plates several years ago. He said the memo from Mr. Scavelli and Mr. Gibbons provided clarity on the subject. Councilman Sanders had checked the City of Canton's website and they already have a similar system in place. New hook-ups and terminations will need to be done in

person or provide a notarized form for the request.

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

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

5. Second Reading – RESOLUTION NO. 2019-67

A RESOLUTION ACCEPTING THE RECOMMENDATIONS OF THE WOOSTER TAX INCENTIVE REVIEW COUNCIL WITH RESPECT TO EXISTING COMMUNITY REINVESTMENT ACT AGREEMENTS (Ansel)

Councilman Ansel stated that everyone should have had time to review the recommendations and provided some statistics.

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

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

6. Second Reading – RESOLUTION NO. 2019-68

A RESOLUTION ACCEPTING THE RECOMMENDATIONS OF THE WOOSTER TAX INCENTIVE REVIEW COUNCIL WITH RESPECT TO EXISTING ENTERPRISE ZONE AGREEMENTS (Ansel)

Councilman Ansel stated that the Enterprise Zone has equally impressive statistics as the CRA.

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

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

7. Second Reading – RESOLUTION NO. 2019-69

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE DIRECTOR OF ADMINISTRATION TO ENTER INTO A CONTRACT TO JOIN BUCKEYE OHIO RISK MANAGEMENT ASSOCIATION BENEFITS POOL (BORMA) FOR THE FURNISHING AND ADMINISTRATION OF EMPLOYEE HEALTHCARE BENEFITS (Ansel)

Councilman Ansel thanked the administration for their due diligence in searching for health care coverage. It was a bold move and broke with tradition. Councilman Cavin asked if there was a loss of benefits to the employees. Mr. Montgomery replied that the health coverage needs to follow the union contracts so the coverage is substantially the same.

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

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

8. Second Reading – RESOLUTION NO. 2019-70

A RESOLUTION APPOINTING A REPRESENTATIVE AND ALTERNATE TO SERVE ON THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE BUCKEYE OHIO RISK MANAGEMENT ASSOCIATION BENEFITS POOL (BORMA) (Ansel)

Councilman Ansel said that since Resolution No. 2019-69 had passed it was now time to designate a representative to be on the board. Mr. Montgomery is the designated representative with the Human Resource Manager serving as the alternate.

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

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

VII. NEW BUSINESS

1. First Reading – ORDINANCE NO. 2019-24

AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE PURCHASE OF REAL ESTATE AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY (Warden)

Councilwoman Warden reviewed the details of the purchase of property at 246 S. Buckeye Street. Councilman Cavin asked if the building could be moved versus demolished. Mr. Millea replied that the Building Standards Division is looking into options but no decision had been made as yet. The home is currently vacant.

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

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

2. First Reading ORDINANCE NO. 2019-25

AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE PURCHASE OF REAL ESTATE AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY (Warden)

Councilwoman Warden reviewed the details of the purchase of property at 230 & 238 S. Buckeye Street. There are safety concerns with both of these buildings and they are vacant. With the purchase of these three parcels, the city has now acquired more than 1 ½ acres for future expansion.

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

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

3. First Reading – ORDINANCE NO. 2019-26

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE ANNUAL APPROPRIATION ORDINANCE (Ansel)

Councilman Ansel stated that this is a transfer of money from the fuel tax increase to the maintenance and repair

fund to cover costs.

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

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

4. First Reading - ORDINANCE NO. 2019- 27
AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND SECTION 743 OF THE CODIFIED ORDINANCES REGARDING
REGULATION OF TAXICABS AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY (Sanders)

Councilman Sanders said this resolution simplifies the lettering and signage requirements and makes things a lot easier for the taxi cab operators. Councilman Bostancic asked if this legislation addressed Uber and Lyft at all. Mr. Montgomery stated that the State of Ohio has now provided legislation for rideshare business and the state’s regulations are more strict for the rideshare programs than the city’s is for taxis.

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

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

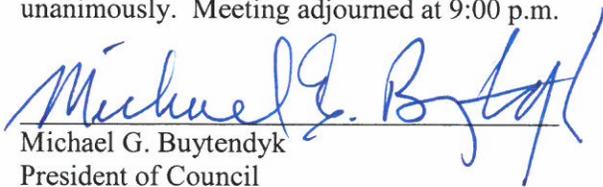
VIII. MISCELLANEOUS

Councilman Silvestri reminded council about the Finance Committee meeting on December 9th at 5:30 p.m.

Councilmen Myers and Cavin both thanked the hospital for the celebratory event tonight and congratulated Bill Sheron on his 25 years of service to the community.

IX. ADJOURNMENT

Councilman Ansel moved to adjourn, seconded by Councilman Myers. By voice vote, the motion passed unanimously. Meeting adjourned at 9:00 p.m.


Michael G. Buytendyk
President of Council


Lynne DePaulo
Clerk of Council

