

WOOSTER CITY COUNCIL MINUTES
December 16, 2019

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, 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, Director of Administration Joel Montgomery, PPM Manager Curt Denning, Planning and Zoning Manager Andrew Dutton and Chief Fisher.

II. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Councilman Silvestri moved to approve the minutes of the December 2, 2019 meeting, seconded by Councilwoman Warden. Upon voice vote, the minutes were approved unanimously.

III. COMMUNICATIONS FROM MAYOR/ADMINISTRATION

Mayor Breneman spoke briefly on Dave Benfield's retirement from OARCD/ATI and encouraged council to pass the budget tonight.

IV. PETITIONS/COMMUNICATIONS FROM PUBLIC

Councilman Ansel made a motion to waive the liquor control hearing for Greystone Event Center, seconded by Councilman Myers. Upon roll call, the motion passed 7-0. (Myers – yes; Sanders – yes; Bostancic-yes; Cavin-yes; Silvestri – yes, Warden –yes; Ansel - yes)

V. COMMITTEE REPORTS; PUBLIC HEARINGS

Councilman Ansel thanked council for attending the recent finance committee meetings and Scott Boyes from Wooster Community Hospital for his budget presentation. Councilman Ansel stated that council has had six weeks to look over the numbers and should be ready to approve.

Councilman Sanders opened the public hearing for the rezoning of 15 parcels on W. Henry Street.

Tim Bogner, 836 Wildwood Drive, spoke in support of Ordinance 2019-28 and the public hearing for the W. Henry Street property.

Beth Lowenstern, 2973 Cleveland Road, spoke in opposition of Ordinance 2019-28 and the public hearing for the W. Henry Street property.

Councilman Sanders closed the public hearing.

VI. EXECUTIVE SESSION – ORC 121.22(G)(2)

Councilman Silvestri motioned to enter executive session, seconded by Councilman Myers. Upon roll call the motion to enter executive session carried 7-0. (Sanders – yes; Bostancic-yes; Cavin -yes; Warden – yes; Silvestri – yes; Ansel – yes; Myers - yes)

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

VII. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

1. Third 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 council has spent a lot of time reviewing the numbers and now it’s time to vote. Councilman Ansel moved to adopt, seconded by Councilwoman Warden. Upon roll call motion to adopt carried 7-0. (Sanders – yes; Bostancic-yes; Cavin -yes; Warden – yes; Silvestri – yes; Ansel – yes; Myers - yes)

VIII. NEW BUSINESS

1. First Reading – ORDINANCE NO. 2019-28

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING PART ELEVEN, ZONING, OF THE CODIFIED ORDINANCES OF THE CITY OF WOOSTER, OHIO, TO RE-ZONE LAND TO I-2 (GENERAL INDUSTRIAL), FOR PROPERTY LOCATED ON WEST HENRY STREET (Sanders)

Councilman Sanders stated that Planning Commission had approved the rezoning of 15 parcels (1.882 acres) from RT (Traditional Residential) to I-2 (General Industrial) and asked for comments from council.

Councilmen Cavin and Bostancic both prefer the land remain RT. Councilwoman Warden asked Mr. Bogner what the motivation was behind the request. Mr. Bogner replied that it fits with Bogner Construction business model and there are no real plans for the property at this time.

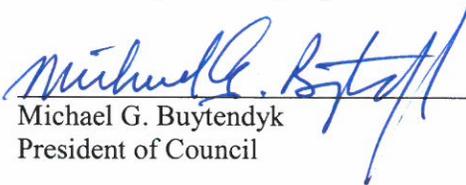
Councilman Sanders said that the land is an RT peninsula surrounded by I-2 property and is not sure if the property is truly desirable for residential property. He asked for the ordinance to be considered to have its first reading.

IX. MISCELLANEOUS

Various council members thanked the administration for their hard work preparing the budget and expressed well wishes for the new year.

X. ADJOURNMENT

Councilman Ansel moved to adjourn, seconded by Councilwoman Warden. By voice vote, the motion passed unanimously. Meeting adjourned at 8:30 p.m.



Michael G. Buytendyk
President of Council



Lynne DePaulo
Clerk of Council