


WOOSTER CITY COUNCIL MINUTES
March 2, 2020

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, Bill Bostancic, Jennifer Warden, David Silvestri, Jon Ansel and Mark Cavin. City Administration present: Mayor Bob Breneman, Finance Director Andrei Dordea, Director of Administration Joel Montgomery, Law Director John Scavelli, PPM Manager Curt Denning, and Chief Matt Fisher.

II. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Councilman Silvestri moved to approve the minutes of the February 18, 2020 meeting, seconded by Councilman Myers. Upon voice vote, the minutes were approved unanimously.

III. COMMUNICATIONS FROM MAYOR/ADMINISTRATION

Mayor Breneman gave an update on the Charter Review Committee. They have had three meetings and last week the meeting included a public input session.

Mayor Breneman reviewed the recommendations Wooster Growth had made at their recent meeting.

Mr. Breneman attended the Wayne Health District Advisory meeting. Dr. Cascarelli, Health Commissioner, has offered to provide council with a presentation on what a health district does.

IV. PETITIONS/COMMUNICATIONS FROM PUBLIC - NONE

V. COMMITTEE REPORTS; PUBLIC HEARINGS

President Buytendyk stated there would be a joint committee meeting of the Finance and Law and Ordinances committees on Monday, April 6th, at 6:00 p.m. at City Hall. The topic will be to discuss CRA options.

He also reminded council on March 16th at 6:00 p.m. they have been invited to see the new fire truck at Fire Station #1 and attend the swearing-in of new fire fighters.

VI. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

1. First Reading – ORDINANCE NO. 2020-01

AN ORDINANCE TO APPROVE AND ADOPT CURRENT REPLACEMENT PAGES TO THE CODIFIED ORDINANCES AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY. (Sanders)

Councilman Sanders said he had received a summary of the codified ordinances from Mr. Scavelli and forwarded them on to the rest of council. He would like to leave this on second reading.

VII. NEW BUSINESS

1. First Reading – ORDINANCE NO. 2020-02

AN ORDINANCE PROVIDING FOR THE ISSUANCE AND SALE OF BONDS IN THE MAXIMUM PRINCIPAL AMOUNT OF \$1,565,000 FOR THE PURPOSE OF PAYING COSTS OF IMPROVING AND EXTENDING STREETS AND ROADS IN THE CITY, INCLUDING BUT NOT LIMITED TO WEST HIGHLAND AVENUE, SUNSET LANE AND DAISY WAY, BY CONSTRUCTING, RECONSTRUCTING, RESURFACING, GRADING, DRAINING, CURBING, PAVING, INSTALLING TRAFFIC SIGNALIZATION AND MAKING OTHER IMPROVEMENTS AS DESIGNATED IN THE PLANS APPROVED OR TO BE APPROVED BY COUNCIL, TOGETHER WITH THE NECESSARY RELATED IMPROVEMENTS AND APPURTENANCES THERETO, AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY. (Ansel)

Councilman Ansel stated the next several ordinances focus on budgeted capital projects. This particular ordinance is to improve roadways within the city limits. This is the lowest financing rates in place ever. Councilman Cavin asked what impact the volatility of the stock market will have on the rates. Mr. Dordea said it is very favorable; he's never seen anything like this. Councilman Myers asked if it was necessary to vote this evening on these. Mr. Dordea would like to get things started as soon as possible to take advantage of the favorable rates.

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

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

2. First Reading – ORDINANCE NO. 2020-03
AN ORDINANCE PROVIDING FOR THE ISSUANCE AND SALE OF BONDS IN THE MAXIMUM PRINCIPAL AMOUNT OF \$445,000 FOR THE PURPOSE OF PAYING COSTS OF IMPROVING THE CITY'S PARKS AND RECREATIONAL FACILITIES BY CONSTRUCTING AND INSTALLING IMPROVEMENTS AT CLEAR CREEK PARK AND FREEDLANDER PARK, ALL TOGETHER WITH THE NECESSARY APPURTENANCES THERETO, AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY. (Ansel)

Councilman Ansel introduced the legislation similar to the previous ordinance. Councilman Silvestri asked if this was part of the refinancing. Councilman Ansel said the first three ordinances are all new debt.

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

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

3. First Reading – ORDINANCE NO. 2020-04
AN ORDINANCE PROVIDING FOR THE ISSUANCE AND SALE OF BONDS IN THE MAXIMUM PRINCIPAL AMOUNT OF \$235,000 FOR THE PURPOSE OF PAYING COSTS OF RESURFACING AND MAKING OTHER IMPROVEMENTS TO CITY SURFACE PARKING AREAS, TOGETHER WITH THE NECESSARY APPURTENANCES THERETO, AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY. (Ansel)

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

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

4. First Reading – ORDINANCE NO. 2020-05
AN ORDINANCE PROVIDING FOR THE ISSUANCE AND SALE OF BONDS IN THE MAXIMUM PRINCIPAL AMOUNT OF \$6,515,000 FOR THE PURPOSE OF REFUNDING CERTAIN OF THE CITY'S OUTSTANDING SAFETY CENTER IMPROVEMENT BONDS, SERIES 2015, DATED JULY 21, 2015, AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY. (Ansel)

Councilman Ansel said this ordinance is one of several to take advantage of the refinancing option. There are four pieces of legislation to be refinanced. Councilman Ansel said that being conservative, the savings could amount to \$1.495M. It could be greater depending on what the rates come back at. Councilman Silvestri asked if this \$1.495M

was a total for all four pieces of refinancing. Yes. Councilman Cavin said he thought the initial number for the Safety Center was originally \$7.7M and now it's down to \$6.5M. How often are payments made? Mr. Dordea said twice a year; June is an interest payment, the December payment is principal and interest.

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

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

5. First Reading - ORDINANCE NO. 2020-06

AN ORDINANCE PROVIDING FOR THE ISSUANCE AND SALE OF BONDS IN THE MAXIMUM PRINCIPAL AMOUNT OF \$2,655,000 FOR THE PURPOSE OF REFUNDING CERTAIN OF THE CITY'S OUTSTANDING WATER SYSTEM IMPROVEMENT BONDS, SERIES 2014, DATED JUNE 24, 2014, AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY. (Ansel)

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

Councilman Ansel motioned 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)

6. First Reading - ORDINANCE NO. 2020-07

AN ORDINANCE PROVIDING FOR THE ISSUANCE AND SALE OF BONDS IN THE MAXIMUM PRINCIPAL AMOUNT OF \$3,990,000 FOR THE PURPOSE OF REFUNDING CERTAIN OF THE CITY'S OUTSTANDING SEWERAGE SYSTEM IMPROVEMENT BONDS, SERIES 2014, DATED OCTOBER 30, 2014, AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY. (Ansel)

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

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

7. First Reading – ORDINANCE NO. 2020-08

AN ORDINANCE PROVIDING FOR THE ISSUANCE AND SALE OF BONDS IN THE MAXIMUM PRINCIPAL AMOUNT OF \$1,745,000 FOR THE PURPOSE OF REFUNDING CERTAIN OF THE CITY'S OUTSTANDING VARIOUS PURPOSE BONDS, SERIES 2010, DATED OCTOBER 13, 2010, AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY. (Ansel)

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

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

8. First Reading – RESOLUTION NO. 2020-13

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE DIRECTOR OF ADMINISTRATION TO ADVERTISE ACCORDING TO LAW AND ENTER INTO A CONTRACT(S) WITH THE LOWEST AND BEST BIDDER(S) FOR

FURNISHING BITUMINOUS MATERIAL (Bostancic)

Councilman Bostancic said it's time to purchase asphalt for the maintenance department. It is a budgeted item.

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

9. First Reading – RESOLUTION NO. 2020-14

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE DIRECTOR OF ADMINISTRATION TO PURCHASE A FRONT END WHEEL LOADER IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE CAPITAL PLAN FOR 2020 (Warden)

Councilwoman Warden introduced the legislation stating it is a budgeted item and is a capital expense. Councilman Bostancic asked Mr. Denning what he thought the old front end loader would bring. Mr. Denning thought maybe \$15,000.

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

10. First Reading – RESOLUTION NO. 2020-15

A RESOLUTION TO ACCEPT THE ONE OHIO MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY (Myers)

Councilman Myers asked Mr. Scavelli to explain the purpose of this legislation. This piece is in response to a possible settlement in the opioid class action lawsuit. The State of Ohio is the first state to win a settlement. The Governor and the Attorney General both support and approve this MOU.

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

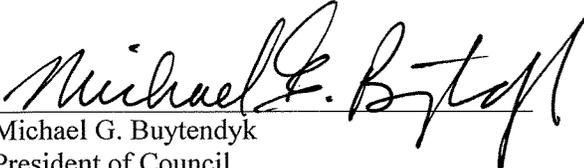
Councilman Myers motioned to adopt, seconded by Councilwoman Warden. Upon roll call motion to adopt carried 7-0. (Sanders – yes; Bostancic-yes; Cavin -yes; Warden – yes; Silvestri – yes; Ansel – yes; Myers - yes)

VIII. MISCELLANEOUS

Councilman Sanders reminded council about the joint committee meeting being held on April 6th at 6:00 p.m. to have a CRA conversation with industry leaders.

IX. ADJOURNMENT

Councilman Ansel moved to adjourn, seconded by Councilman Myers. By voice vote, the motion passed unanimously. Meeting adjourned at 8:35 p.m.


Michael G. Buytendyk
President of Council


Lynne DePaulo
Clerk of Council