


WOOSTER CITY COUNCIL MINUTES
2/16/2021

Due to the Stay at Home order, this city council meeting was held via a Zoom conference call. The recorded video of the meeting is available on the City of Wooster YouTube channel.

I. ROLL CALL & ORDERING OF AGENDA

President Mike Buytendyk called the videoconference meeting of Wooster City Council to order at 7:30 p.m. Lynne DePaulo, Council Clerk, called roll with the following members present; Craig Sanders, Jennifer Warden, David Silvestri, Mark Cavin, Bill Bostancic, Jon Ansel and Scott Myers. City Administration present: Mayor Bob Breneman, Finance Director Andrei Dordea, Director of Administration Joel Montgomery, and Law Director John Scavelli.

II. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Councilman Silvestri moved to approve the minutes of the January 19, 2021 meeting, seconded by Councilman Ansel. Upon voice vote, the minutes were approved unanimously.

III. COMMUNICATIONS FROM MAYOR/ADMINISTRATION

Mayor Breneman had given his State of the City presentation to council prior to the council meeting. He had nothing further.

IV. PETITIONS/COMMUNICATIONS FROM PUBLIC -

Councilman Ansel made a motion to waive the liquor control hearing for Grigio LLC, 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)

YouTube comments were not functioning during the meeting. Mr. Scavelli announced that if anyone needed to comment to please send him an email and he would present the comment to city council. There were no comments from viewers.

V. COMMITTEE REPORTS; PUBLIC HEARINGS

A public hearing has been scheduled for March 1 for the annexation and rezoning of 903 W. Highland.

VI. UNFINISHED BUSINESS - NONE

VII. NEW BUSINESS

1. First Reading – ORDINANCE 2021-05

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 1351, MINIMUM HOUSING STANDARDS AND PROPERTY MAINTENANCE CODE, OF THE CODIFIED ORDINANCES OF THE CITY OF WOOSTER, OHIO, TO UPDATE THE CODE (Sanders)

Councilman Sanders stated this would bring the code into alignment with fire and building codes and allow for the monitoring of property standards. Mr. Monea spoke on how the maintenance code applies to everything and closes any gaps between fire and building codes.

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

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

2. First Reading – ORDINANCE NO. 2021-06

AN ORDINANCE ACCEPTING APPLICATION FOR THE ANNEXATION OF TERRITORY LOCATED ON WEST HIGHLAND AVE., AND CONTIGUOUS TO THE CORPORATION LIMITS (Matthew A. Long, Esq., Agent for Petitioner Stephanie Campbell) (Sanders)

Councilman Sanders said this legislation will be considered to have its first reading tonight and will have more discussion at the March 1st meeting when the public hearing will be held. Mr. Long said this is the third time the property has been before city council and they are ready for it to be annexed in.

3. First Reading – ORDINANCE NO. 2021-07

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING PART ELEVEN, ZONING, OF THE CODIFIED ORDINANCES OF THE CITY OF WOOSTER, OHIO, SO AS TO AMEND THE ZONING MAP AT A CERTAIN PARCEL AT 903 WEST HIGHLAND AVENUE (Sanders)

Councilman Sanders said this legislation will be considered to have its first reading.

4. First Reading – ORDINANCE NO. 2021-08

AN ORDINANCE TO APPROVE AND ADOPT CURRENT REPLACEMENT PAGES TO THE CODIFIED ORDINANCES AND ALLOWING FOR IMMEDIATE ENACTMENT (Sanders)

Councilman Sanders said this legislation is to approve changes to the city ordinances due to ORC changes. He then reviewed the state's code changes.

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

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

5. First Reading – ORDINANCE NO. 2021-09

AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE CITY OF WOOSTER TO ACCEPT A TRANSFER OF LAND FROM THE WOOSTER CITY SCHOOL DISTRICT (Warden)

Councilwoman Warden said the Mayor had noted this as Goal #7 on his State of the City presentation. The donation of this land will enable the city to plan improvements to the intersection at Oak Hill and Oldman Road.

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

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

6. First Reading – ORDINANCE NO. 2021-10

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 1107.04 ANNEXATION, 1109.02 EXPLANATION OF THE TABLE OF PERMITTED USES, AND 1135.02 GENERAL DEFINITIONS, OF THE CODIFIED ORDINANCES OF THE CITY OF WOOSTER, OHIO TO CORRECT A TYPOGRAPHICAL ERROR IN THE CODE (Sanders)

Councilman Sanders said that while Mr. Scavelli was reviewing annexation codes, he discovered a reference back to Section Zero. No Section Zero exists. This legislation will correct the code to reference the correct sections.

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

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

VIII. MISCELLANEOUS –

Council members expressed their thanks to Mayor Breneman for his informative presentation.

Councilman Myers said he had received a suggestion from a resident regarding the monthly community meetings. The resident thought it would be good to have a brief review during the miscellaneous section of council meetings to review what was talked about at the community meetings.

IX. ADJOURNMENT

Councilman Ansel motioned to adjourn, seconded by Councilman Cavin. The meeting adjourned at 8:10 p.m.



Michael G. Buytendyk
President of Council



Lynne DePaulo
Clerk of Council

