

WOOSTER CITY COUNCIL MINUTES
3/15/2021

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 Myers moved to approve the minutes of the March 1, 2021 meeting, seconded by Councilman Silvestri. Upon voice vote, the minutes were approved unanimously.

III. COMMUNICATIONS FROM MAYOR/ADMINISTRATION

Mayor Breneman said the sludge tank at the Water Pollution Plant is moving along and the cover has been placed; they need to finish piping and roofing. It should be in operation by June/July.

The Administration had a meeting with Scott Wigham to discuss various topics important to the city.

The second Let's Chat meeting was held and four residents came to talk about issues important to them.

IV. PETITIONS/COMMUNICATIONS FROM PUBLIC

Councilman Cavin recused himself from the liquor control petition.

Councilman Ansel made a motion to waive the liquor control hearing for Styx Acquisition LLC, seconded by Councilman Silvestri. 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 Sanders opened the public hearing for the annexation of property on North Geyers Chapel and Daisy Way. Mr. Scavelli spoke in favor of the annexation. No one spoke against.

Councilman Sanders then asked if anyone wanted to speak regarding the rezoning of the same property on North Geyers Chapel and Daisy Way. No one spoke for or against the legislation.

VI. UNFINISHED BUSINESS – None

VII. NEW BUSINESS

1. First Reading – ORDINANCE 2021-12

AN ORDINANCE ACCEPTING APPLICATION FOR THE ANNEXATION OF TERRITORY LOCATED ON NORTH GEYERS CHAPEL ROAD AND DAISY WAY, AND CONTIGUOUS TO THE CORPORATION LIMITS (John A. Scavelli, Dir. Of Law, Agent for Petitioner Jonathan Millea on behalf of the City of Wooster) (Sanders)

Councilman Sanders stated this is a great piece of property for development consisting of approximately 134 acres.

Councilman Sanders motioned to suspend the rules, seconded by Councilman Silvestri. 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)

2. First Reading – ORDINANCE NO. 2021-13

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 ON NORTH GEYERS CHAPEL ROAD AND DAISY WAY (Sanders)

Councilman Sanders stated this is the same property just annexed in. Per ordinance, if a request for rezoning isn't received, the property enters the city as R1. The applicant is asking for I-2.

Councilman Sanders motioned to suspend the rules, seconded by Councilman Silvestri. 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 noticed that the city, state, and zip for Mary Bricker was incorrect and wondered if she had been properly notified of the public hearing and the legislation. Ms. DePaulo stated that the notice had been returned to sender that morning. Mr. Scavelli said the legislation should remain on first reading and a new public hearing notice would be sent. The second public hearing will be held on April 5th.

3. First Reading – RESOLUTION NO. 2021-10

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE DIRECTOR OF FINANCE TO ISSUE PAYMENT FOR SERVICES RENDERED PRIOR TO THE FISCAL OFFICER'S CERTIFICATION OF AVAILABILITY OF FUNDS, AND ALLOWING FOR IMMEDIATE ENACTMENT (Ansel)

Councilman Ansel said this is a straightforward request to pay for services already rendered but not encumbered properly. It is a budgeted line item.

Councilman Ansel 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)

4. First Reading – RESOLUTION NO. 2021-11

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE DIRECTOR OF ADMINISTRATION TO ENTER INTO AN AGREEMENT WITH THE OHIO DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION FOR THE RESURFACING OF SR 302 BETWEEN GRANT STREET AND LATTASBURG ROAD AND A PORTION OF DOVER ROAD (SR83) WITHIN THE CITY OF WOOSTER, AND APPROPRIATING THE NECESSARY FUNDS AND ALLOWING FOR IMMEDIATE ENACTMENT (Bostancic)

Councilman Bostancic said this is a request to enter an agreement with ODOT for improvements and resurfacing on SR302 and SR83.

Councilman Bostancic motioned to suspend the rules, seconded by Councilman Cavin. 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 noticed that the dollar amount in the legislation was incorrect. It should be written out as One Hundred Sixty Thousand, not One Hundred **Sixth**. It was decided to make a motion to correct the dollar amount.

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

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

5. First Reading – RESOLUTION NO. 2021-17

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE DIRECTOR OF ADMINISTRATION TO ENTER INTO AN AGREEMENT FOR THE PURCHASE OF A BOILER FOR CLASS A BIOSOLIDS PRODUCTION AND ALLOWING FOR IMMEDIATE ENACTMENT (Silvestri)

Councilman Silvestri said this will be an improvement to our ADS system. In order to produce our power, it is necessary to heat the product to a certain temperature. We currently only have one boiler in operation. Mr. Coey said that since we are a Class A producer, we do not want to lose that classification. The boiler is necessary to provide the heat that turns the material into a great agricultural product. The new boiler will run off our own biogas rather than Dominion East Ohio Gas. It is a budgeted item.

Councilman Silvestri motioned to adopt, seconded by Councilman Ansel. 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 – RESOLUTION NO. 2021-18

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO ACCEPT AND APPLY GRANT MONIES FROM THE EDWARD BYRNE MEMORIAL JUSTICE ASSISTANCE GRANT (JAG) PROGRAM, AND ALLOWING FOR IMMEDIATE ENACTMENT (Cavin)

Councilman Cavin said this grant will provide \$7263.00 to spend towards protective equipment for the entire patrol division. The money will come out of the Law Enforcement Trust Fund, and the grant will reimburse the city for 90% of the cost.

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

Councilman Cavin 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. EXECUTIVE SESSION 121.22 (G)2 Discuss property for public purpose

Councilman Ansel moved to enter Executive Session, seconded by Councilman Silvestri. Upon roll call, the motion passed 7-0. (Bostancic-yes; Warden – yes; Silvestri – yes; Myers – yes; Cavin – yes; Sanders – yes; Ansel-yes)

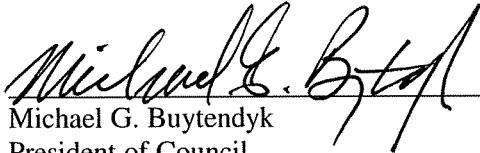
Councilman Ansel moved to exit Executive Session, seconded by Councilman Cavin. Upon roll call, the motion passed 6-0. (Warden – yes; Silvestri – yes; Myers – yes; Cavin – yes; Sanders – yes; Ansel-yes)

VIII. MISCELLANEOUS –

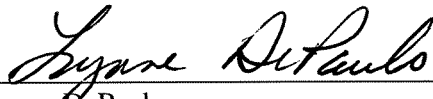
Councilman Ansel thanked the Administration for a productive executive session. There are complex opportunities for both industrial and residential. Councilman Ansel also commented on the dismal bed tax performance; it was 49% below normal for 2020.

IX. ADJOURNMENT

Councilman Myers motioned to adjourn, seconded by Councilman Cavin. The meeting adjourned at 9:45 p.m.



Michael G. Buytendyk
President of Council



Lynne DePaulo
Clerk of Council