

NORWALK CITY COUNCIL
MINUTES

August 16, 2016
7:30 p.m.

Municipal Court
Norwalk, Ohio

REGULAR SESSION

Council President Steve Euton called the meeting to order. Deacon James Reichert offered the prayer which was followed by the Pledge of Allegiance. The following council members were present: Chris Mushett, Chris Castle, Steve Euton, Samantha Wilhelm, Steve Schumm, Deb Lucal, and David Wallace.

Mayor Rob Duncan, Law Director Stu O'Hara, Finance Director Diane Eschen and Public Works Director Josh Snyder were also in attendance.

Mr. Schumm moved to excuse Kelly Beck. Mr. Wallace seconded. All members voted in favor. Motion carried.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA Mr. Mushett moved to approve the agenda as presented. Mr. Castle seconded. All members voted in favor. Motion carried.

MINUTES Mr. Schumm moved to approve the August 2, 2016 and August 9, 2016 minutes as presented. Mrs. Lucal seconded. All members voted in favor. Motion carried.

COMMUNICATIONS AND PETITIONS - none

COMMITTEE REPORTS - none

OFFICIAL REPORTS

MAYOR – no report

SERVICE DIRECTOR - no report

FINANCE DIRECTOR – no report

LAW DIRECTOR – no report

ENGINEER Mr. Snyder said that the new pump station on Pleasant Street has been put into service. He said the demolition of the old brick structure is set to begin next week and the excavation of the basin will not start until that is finished. In reference to the Westwind/Route 250 Intersection, he said the project is moving along despite the weather. He said Washington Street residents were mostly happy to receive new sidewalks and segments of driveway approaches. Lastly, he said one small section could possibly be added to the Street Resurfacing project due to leftover funds.

Mr. Wallace asked if there will be curb installed on Washington Street. Mr. Snyder said not at this time.

APPOINTED OR ELECTED OFFICIALS – none

PERSONS APPEARING BEFORE COUNCIL - none

UNFINISHED BUSINESS – none

SECOND READINGS OF ORDINANCES

Item No. 16-072

AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE FINANCE DIRECTOR TO PAY THE K COMPANY, INC. FOR SERVICES PERFORMED AT CITY HALL

Mrs. Wilhelm moved to pass the ordinance. Mr. Schumm seconded. All members voted in favor. Ordinance No. 2016-033 passed.

NEW ORDINANCES AND RESOLUTIONS

Item No. 16-067

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING SECTION 181.06 OF THE NORWALK CODIFIED ORDINANCES

Mr. Mushett asked if the Administration has received any feedback on this legislation. Mayor Duncan said no.

Mrs. Wilhelm moved that the clerk be instructed to read the legislation. Mrs. Lucal seconded. All members voted in favor. Motion carried.

Item No. 16-074a

A RESOLUTION DIRECTING THE CLERK OF COUNCIL TO PUBLISH A NOTICE OF A LIST OF ESTIMATED ASSESSMENTS FOR THE 2016 SIDEWALK PROGRAM AND NOTICE OF THE OPPORTUNITY TO SUBMIT OBJECTIONS

Mr. Mushett moved to adopt the resolution. Mr. Castle seconded. All members voted in favor. Resolution No. 2016-034 adopted.

Item No. 16-075

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING AND SUPPLEMENTING THE 2016 ANNUAL BUDGET AND APPROPRIATION ORDINANCE NO. 2015-057 AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY

Mr. Mushett moved that the clerk be instructed to read the legislation. Mrs. Wilhelm seconded. All members voted in favor. Motion carried.

Mr. Wallace moved to suspend the rules requiring two readings of an ordinance. Mr. Schumm seconded. All members voted in favor. Motion carried.

Mrs. Wilhelm moved to accept the emergency declaration as stated in section 3. Mr. Schumm seconded. All members voted in favor. Motion carried.

Mr. Wallace moved to pass the ordinance. Mrs. Lucal seconded. All members voted in favor. Ordinance No. 2016-034 passed.

Item No. 16-076

A RESOLUTION TO TRANSFER FUNDS APPROPRIATED IN THE 2016 ANNUAL BUDGET AND APPROPRIATION ORDINANCE NO. 2015-057

Mr. Mushett moved to adopt the resolution. Mr. Wallace seconded. All members voted in favor. Resolution No. 2016-035 adopted.

Item No. 16-077

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE FINANCE DIRECTOR TO EXECUTE LINE ITEM TRANSFERS WITHIN THE GENERAL CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT FUND

Mr. Mushett moved to adopt the resolution. Mr. Castle seconded. All members voted in favor. Resolution No. 2016-036 adopted.

NEW BUSINESS Mr. Euton said that Council needs to appoint two members to the Income Tax Review Board. He said the board meets on an as needed basis and these two members would act as alternates if current members have a conflict.

Mr. Mushett asked who is currently on the Board. Mrs. Eschen said Denny Camp, Steve Fries, and Chris Stang.

Mr. Castle asked how much advance notice would an alternate be given. Mrs. Eschen replied that it would likely be short notice.

Mr. Euton stated that there will be no Council meeting August 23, 2016. There will be a Work Session August 30, 2016 at 7:30 pm.

ADJOURNMENT There being no further business to discuss, the meeting was adjourned.

Stephen E. Euton
President

Jaime L. Peiples
Clerk