

**NORWALK CITY COUNCIL**  
**MINUTES**

April 18, 2017  
7:30 p.m.

Municipal Court  
Norwalk, Ohio

**REGULAR SESSION**

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Council President Pro Tempore Chris Mushett called the meeting to order. Pastor Charles Conrad offered the prayer which was followed by the Pledge of Allegiance. The following Council members were present: Chris Mushett, Samantha Wilhelm, Chris Castle, Steve Schumm, Dave Wallace, and Deb Lucal. Steve Euton was absent for work obligations. Kelly Beck was absent for family illness.

Mr. Wallace moved to excuse Mr. Euton for work obligations. Mr. Schumm seconded. Mr. Mushett, Mrs. Wilhelm, Mr. Castle, Mr. Schumm, Mr. Wallace, and Mrs. Lucal voted in favor. Motion carried.

Mrs. Lucal moved to excuse Mr. Beck for family illness. Mr. Castle seconded. Mr. Mushett, Mrs. Wilhelm, Mr. Castle, Mr. Schumm, Mr. Wallace, and Mrs. Lucal voted in favor. Motion carried.

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

**APPROVAL OF AGENDA** Mr. Wallace moved to accept the agenda as presented. Mr. Schumm seconded. Mr. Mushett, Mrs. Wilhelm, Mr. Castle, Mr. Schumm, Mr. Wallace, and Mrs. Lucal voted in favor. Motion carried.

Mr. Mushett explained that *Item No. 17-010* and *Item No. 17-011* remain tabled and will be addressed in two weeks.

**MINUTES** Mr. Wallace moved to approve the April 4, 2017 and April 11, 2017 minutes as presented. Mrs. Lucal seconded. Mr. Mushett, Mrs. Wilhelm, Mr. Castle, Mr. Schumm, Mr. Wallace, and Mrs. Lucal voted in favor. Motion carried.

**COMMUNICATIONS AND PETITIONS** – none

**COMMITTEE REPORTS** – none

**OFFICIAL REPORTS**

**MAYOR** – Mayor Duncan said the Strawberry Festival is Memorial Day weekend. He said the Jaycees would appreciate any help Council members could offer. In addition, he said the Norwalk Arts Council is now running the Imagine Norwalk event which begins June 9, 2017.

**SERVICE DIRECTOR** –Mr. Wendt said he recently attended a Solid Waste Management District planning meeting. He said the City remains opposed to the proposed solid waste plan. He added that the Administration is looking into more favorable terms in regards to recycling that will save several thousands of dollars for the City.

**FINANCE DIRECTOR** – no report

**LAW DIRECTOR** – no report

**ENGINEER** – Mr. Snyder said curb has been installed on one side of Old State Road. He said the other side is set to begin next week. In reference to the Pleasant Street Lift Station Project, he said clean up has begun and park development is set to begin late April or early May. Lastly, he said utilities are in the process of being relocated on the Milan Avenue Improvement Project.

**APPOINTED OR ELECTED OFFICIALS**

**PERSONS APPEARING BEFORE COUNCIL**

**UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

**SECOND READINGS OF ORDINANCES**

**NEW ORDINANCES AND RESOLUTIONS**

Item No. 17-037

AN ORDINANCE GRANTING A TAXICAB FRANCHISE TO TIJUANA TAXI, LLC AND AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO ENTER INTO A FRANCHISE AND LICENSE AGREEMENT THEREFOR

Mrs. Wilhelm moved that the clerk be instructed to read the ordinance. Mrs. Lucal seconded. Mr. Mushett, Mrs. Wilhelm, Mr. Castle, Mr. Schumm, Mr. Wallace, and Mrs. Lucal voted in favor. The ordinance was read.

Item No. 17-038

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR AND PUBLIC WORKS DIRECTOR TO ADVERTISE AND RECEIVE BIDS FOR THE WOOSTER/MARSHALL SEWER SEPARATION PROJECT PHASE VI AND AUTHORIZING A CONTRACT AFTER BIDDING

Mrs. Wilhelm moved to pass the resolution. Mr. Wallace seconded. Mr. Mushett, Mrs. Wilhelm, Mr. Castle, Mr. Schumm, Mr. Wallace, and Mrs. Lucal voted in favor. Resolution No. 2017-018 passed.

Item No. 17-039

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO ENTER INTO A NATUREWORKS GRANT AGREEMENT WITH THE OHIO DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES

Mr. Wallace moved to pass the resolution. Mr. Castle seconded. Mr. Mushett, Mrs. Wilhelm, Mr. Castle, Mr. Schumm, Mr. Wallace, and Mrs. Lucal voted in favor. Resolution No. 2017-019 passed.

Item No. 17-040

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR, ON BEHALF OF THE CITY OF NORWALK, OHIO, TO ENTER INTO AN ENTERPRISE ZONE COMPENSATION AGREEMENT

Mr. Castle moved to pass the resolution. Mr. Wallace seconded. Mr. Mushett, Mrs. Wilhelm, Mr. Castle, Mr. Schumm, Mr. Wallace, and Mrs. Lucal voted in favor. Resolution No. 2017-020 passed.

Item No. 17-041

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING AND SUPPLEMENTING THE 2017 ANNUAL BUDGET AND APPROPRIATION ORDINANCE NO. 2016-045 AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY

Mrs. Wilhelm moved that the clerk be instructed to read the ordinance. Mrs. Lucal seconded. Mr. Mushett, Mrs. Wilhelm, Mr. Castle, Mr. Schumm, Mr. Wallace, and Mrs. Lucal voted in favor. The ordinance was read.

Mr. Wallace moved to suspend the rules requiring two readings of an ordinance. Mrs. Wilhelm seconded. Mr. Mushett, Mrs. Wilhelm, Mr. Castle, Mr. Schumm, Mr. Wallace, and Mrs. Lucal voted in favor. Motion carried.

Mr. Castle moved to accept the emergency declaration as stated in section 3. Mr. Wallace seconded. Mr. Mushett, Mrs. Wilhelm, Mr. Castle, Mr. Schumm, Mr. Wallace, and Mrs. Lucal voted in favor. Motion carried.

Mr. Wallace moved to adopt the ordinance. Mrs. Lucal seconded. Mr. Mushett, Mrs. Wilhelm, Mr. Castle, Mr. Schumm, Mr. Wallace, and Mrs. Lucal voted in favor. Ordinance No. 2017-015 adopted.

**NEW BUSINESS** – Mr. Castle said there is no intention to reconsider the veto and take a second vote on *Item No. 17-029* and *Item No. 17-030*.

Mr. Mushett said the next meeting is a Work Session at 7:30pm on April 25, 2017.

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



~~Stephen E. Euton~~ Christopher C. Mushett  
President Pro-Tempore



Lisa Hynor  
Acting Clerk