

NORWALK CITY COUNCIL
MINUTES

June 20, 2017
7:30 p.m.

Municipal Court
Norwalk, Ohio

REGULAR SESSION

Council President Steve Euton called the meeting to order. Council member Deb Lucal offered the prayer which was followed by the Pledge of Allegiance. The following Council members were present: Steve Euton, Chris Mushett, Kelly Beck, Samantha Wilhelm, Dave Wallace, and Deb Lucal. Steve Schumm was absent for personal reasons. Chris Castle was absent for work reasons.

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

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

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

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

MINUTES Mr. Mushett moved to approve the June 6, 2017 and June 13, 2017 minutes as presented. Mr. Wallace seconded. Mrs. Wilhelm, Mr. Beck, Mr. Mushett, Mr. Wallace, and Mrs. Lucal 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 the Pleasant Street Lift Station project is in the final stages of the park phase. Next, he said that Milan Avenue is currently closed. He said crews are working on the storm sewer and then roadway work will begin. The Jefferson Street Lift Station Improvements project has begun and he said there is a small section of road that is closed near Valley Park Drive for the staging of contractor materials. Last, he said the Resurfacing project has yet to begin.

Mr. Wallace requested an estimated completion date for the Pleasant Street Lift Station project. Mr. Snyder estimated 3-4 weeks.

APPOINTED OR ELECTED OFFICIALS – Mrs. Lucal asked if O’Reilly Auto Parts will be having a grand opening. Mayor Duncan said they are having their soft opening now and are waiting for signage to schedule the grand opening. Mrs. Lucal also suggested that residents be reminded in the newspaper about the laws concerning high grass and mowing.

Mr. Mushett asked if the Milan Avenue Improvement Project will be wrapped up before football season begins at Whitney Field. Mr. Snyder said the section on Milan Avenue from St. Mary’s Street to League Street is the last section to be completed and is scheduled for October.

PERSONS APPEARING BEFORE COUNCIL

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

SECOND READINGS OF ORDINANCES

Item No. 17-055

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING SECTION 7.12 F OF THE PERSONNEL POLICY MANUAL OF THE CITY OF NORWALK PERTAINING TO THE DRUG FREE WORK PLACE POLICY

Mrs. Wilhelm moved to adopt the ordinance. Mrs. Lucal seconded. Mrs. Wilhelm, Mr. Beck, Mr. Mushett, Mr. Wallace, and Mrs. Lucal voted in favor. Ordinance No. 2017-023 adopted.

NEW ORDINANCES AND RESOLUTIONS

Item No. 17-057

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO ACCEPT FUNDING FROM THE STATE OF OHIO DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES FOR THE PURPOSE OF CREATING A SPLASH PAD AND TO ENTER INTO A COMMUNITY RECREATION PROJECT – PASS THROUGH GRANT AGREEMENT WITH THE OHIO DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES

Mr. Mushett moved to pass the resolution. Mr. Beck seconded. Mrs. Wilhelm, Mr. Beck, Mr. Mushett, Mr. Wallace, and Mrs. Lucal voted in favor. Resolution No. 2017-030 passed.

Item No. 17-058

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE ADVANCE OF MONIES FROM THE GENERAL FUND TO THE SPLASH PAD CONSTRUCTION FUND AND PROVIDING FOR REPAYMENT OF SAID ADVANCE

Mr. Beck moved to pass the resolution. Mr. Mushett seconded. Mrs. Wilhelm, Mr. Beck, Mr. Mushett, Mr. Wallace, and Mrs. Lucal voted in favor. Resolution No. 2017-029 passed.

Item No. 17-059

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 legislation. Mrs. Lucal seconded. Mrs. Wilhelm, Mr. Beck, Mr. Mushett, Mr. Wallace, and Mrs. Lucal voted in favor. The legislation was read.

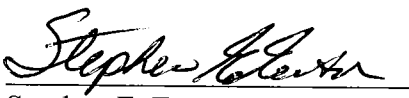
Item No. 17-060

AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE FINANCE DIRECTOR TO PAY RICHLAND ENGINEERING FOR INSPECTION SERVICES FOR THE MILAN AVENUE CORRIDOR PROJECT AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY

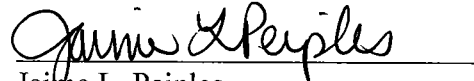
Mr. Wallace moved that the clerk be instructed to read the legislation. Mrs. Lucal seconded. Mrs. Wilhelm, Mr. Beck, Mr. Mushett, Mr. Wallace, and Mrs. Lucal voted in favor. The legislation was read.

NEW BUSINESS – Mr. Euton said that there will be a Work Session followed by a Special Session on June 27, 2017.

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



Stephen E. Euton
President



Jaime L. Peiples
Clerk