

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

June 27, 2017  
7:30 p.m.

Municipal Court  
Norwalk, Ohio

**WORK SESSION**

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Council President Steve Euton called the meeting to order. The following Council members were present: Steve Euton, Chris Mushett, Samantha Wilhelm, Chris Castle, Steve Schumm, Dave Wallace, Kelly Beck, and Deb Lucal.

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

**NEW LEGISLATION**

**UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

Mr. Wallace asked for an update on the hiring of a 24<sup>th</sup> Police Officer. Mr. Wendt said the Police Department recently hired two reserve officers. He said it is more cost effective to train them as reserve officers. He expects that a recommendation will be made in the next couple of weeks as to which of them should be offered the position.

Mr. Schumm asked for an update on the junk car situation. Mr. Wendt said the Administration is in the investigating process. Mr. Schumm asked if notification stickers are currently being placed on junk cars by the police. Mr. Wendt discussed the difficulty with transfer of title once a car is towed. Mr. O'Hara explained the process for removal of a junk car with the owner's permission.

Mr. Castle said that there has been discussion on the issue and the City appears to be moving forward with the process. He discussed the difference between junk cars and cars that are in the process of being repaired. Mr. Snyder added that the Zoning Department tries to be lenient, but at some point the junk cars need to be dealt with.

Mr. Schumm insisted that the City start placing stickers on the junk cars. He said they need to do something. Mr. Castle said the ordinance only covers cars in the right-of-way, not on private property. He said the ordinances need to be re-written to include private property. Mr. Euton said that Mr. Schumm has made a fair request and asked that Mr. Wendt look into the stickers. Mr. Wendt said that he will establish contact, but does not have the ability to forcibly remove cars at this time. He asked Mr. Schumm to get him a written list of addresses for the junk cars he is concerned with.

Mayor Duncan said the Administration is in the process of updating the ordinances.

**NEW BUSINESS** – none

**TOPICS OF DISCUSSION**

**ADJOURNMENT** There being no new business to discuss the work session was adjourned.

**SPECIAL SESSION**

Council President Steve Euton called the special session to order. The following Council members were present: Steve Euton, Chris Mushett, Samantha Wilhelm, Chris Castle, Steve Schumm, Dave Wallace, Kelly Beck, and Deb Lucal.

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

**NEW ORDINANCES AND RESOLUTIONS**

**SECOND READINGS**

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

Mr. Mushett moved to adopt the ordinance. Mr. Castle seconded. Mr. Castle, Mr. Mushett, Mr. Wallace, Mrs. Lucal, Mr. Schumm, Mrs. Wilhelm, and Mr. Beck voted in favor. Ordinance No. 2017-024 adopted.

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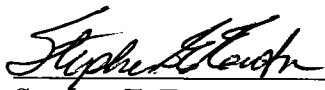
AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE FINANCE DIRECTOR TO PAY RICHLAND ENGINEERING FOR INSPECTION SERVICES FOR THE MILAN AVENUE CORRIDOR PROJECT IN THE CITY OF NORWALK AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY

Mr. Wallace moved to accept the declaration of emergency as stated in Section 2. Mr. Castle seconded. Mr. Castle, Mr. Mushett, Mr. Wallace, Mrs. Lucal, Mr. Schumm, Mrs. Wilhelm, and Mr. Beck voted in favor. Motion carried.

Mr. Beck moved to adopt the ordinance. Mr. Schumm seconded. Mr. Castle, Mr. Mushett, Mr. Wallace, Mrs. Lucal, Mr. Schumm, Mrs. Wilhelm, and Mr. Beck voted in favor. Ordinance No. 2017-025 adopted.

Mr. Schumm made a motion to move into Executive Session for the discussion of personnel and pending or threatened litigation with no business after. Mr. Wallace seconded. Mr. Castle, Mr. Mushett, Mr. Wallace, Mrs. Lucal, Mr. Schumm, Mrs. Wilhelm, and Mr. Beck voted in favor. Motion carried.

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

  
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Stephen E. Euton  
President

  
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Jaime L. Peiples  
Clerk