

RECORD OF PROCEEDINGS

Minutes of

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Meeting

GRAPHIC VILLAGE - CINCINNATI, OH

Form 6101

Held

July 18, 2022

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REGULAR MEETING OF COUNCIL

JULY 18, 2022

Called to Order:

President Conway called the Village of West Jefferson Council Meeting to Order and asked for a Roll Call at 7:07 P.M.

Roll Call:

Council Members: Samantha Cahill, Mike Conway, Linda Hall, Richard King, Jeff Patterson, Howard Wade, and Jennifer Warner.

Quorum Declare: 7 present, 0 absent.

Also attending were: Mark Crosten, IT Manager; Chris Floyd, Chief of Police; Tom Hale, Director of Development; Jimmy John Hall, Clerk of Council; Ray Martin, Mayor; John Mitchell, Public Service Director; Shelton Stanley, Recreation and Special Events Manager; and Kristie West, Building and Zoning Code Enforcement Official.

Prayer: Ms. L. Hall.

Heavenly Father, we thank you for allowing us to conduct this business before us tonight but ask that you would bless our actions. May all things be accomplished according to your will. We ask in the Name of Jesus Christ. Amen.

Pledge of Allegiance: Mr. Patterson.

I (we) pledge allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America, and to the Republic for which it stands, one Nation, under God, indivisible, with liberty and justice for all.

The Agenda:

Motion to Adopt the Amended Agenda moved by Ms. Hall and seconded by Ms. Warner.

VOICED VOTE AFFIRMED

Motion Carries 7-0.

The Minutes:

Motion to Approve the Minutes of the July 5, 2022, Regular Meeting of Council moved by Ms. L. Hall and seconded by Ms. Cahill.

VOICED VOTE AFFIRMED

Motion Carries 7-0.

Executive Session:

Motion to Move into Executive Session moved by Ms. Cahill and seconded by Mr. Patterson.

VOICED VOTE AFFIRMED

Motion Carries 7-0.

Motion to Move out of Executive Session moved by Mr. Patterson and seconded by Mr. Wade.

VOICED VOTE AFFIRMED

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The Ceremony:

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Officer Shuan Soward was sworn in by Mayor Ray Marin. He has worked for Summit Behavioral Healthcare Police Department, part time for Put in Bay Police Department, and is currently a full-time officer at Wilberforce University.

Committee Reports:

Ms. L. Hall, Chair of the Finance Committee, reported on the Finance Committee Meeting July 12, 2022. At the meeting, we discussed issues relevant to our IT Department. Then we discussed our London contract and adding hours to an existing position, namely, the Building and Zoning Coding Enforcement Official. Additionally, the COLA increases and moving some money from one account to another (Star Ohio).

Mr. King, Chair of the Employee Benefits Committee, announced a meeting on July 27, 2022 at 4:00 P.M. This will be in the Council Chambers.

Department Reports:

Report from Mayor:

Mayor Martin said, we just had our bi-annual Records Retention review last week. Everything is in order and we will have one more in the Autumn. At the meeting we had a lawyer, a member of the public, Clerk of Council, Mayor, and the Finance Director to discuss the records retention, destruction, and security. Second, I recovered from the dunk tank from Friday Night Uptown charity event. One hundred dollars was raised for the Shop with a Cop fund. Third, all the park equipment has been installed at Garratte Park. We are planning an official opening ceremony.

Report from Director of Public Service:

Mr. Mitchell said the electronic messenger board is up an operational. Big thanks to Brian Farley, Mark Crosten, and Jill Sorenson. This board is so much better than the previous one. It has a nice picture, can play videos, and is visually nice. Second, last Thursday we had a water main break. Our crew worked until 2 A.M. to fix the problem. During that time, Jill made the letter and helped us with the distribution of the boil alert. Third, as the Mayor said, all the equipment for Garratte Park has arrived and installed. The blue rubber surface is a lot softer than the previous one. But we are still waiting for the design on the arch. Fourth, we are beginning to work on Westwood Park. The difficult news today is that the equipment will not be here until October 27, 2022. Fifth, the Westchester bid was made by Strawser Company. I believe they will start in the spring of 2023.

Mr. Wade asked if Westwood Park will be done in phrases? For example, getting the Pickle Ball Court done before October.

(Inaudible 32:00)

Mayor Martin said regardless of Facebook opinion, please know that we do listen. Before there was no parking in Garratte Park but now there is parking and two handicap spots.

Report from Recreation and Special Events Manager:

Mr. Stanley said the new umbrellas arrived at the pool. Friday Night Uptown is becoming more popular. We will need more help. Thank you to everybody for their help. It really was a group effort from the Finance Department, Police, and Public Service. The opening act did a great job. August 5, 2022 is the next Friday Night Up Town. Lastly, August 14, is the last day for the pool and the Dog swim is August 15, 2022.

Report from Director of Finance: None.

Report from Chief of Police:

Chief Floyd said August 2, 2022 is National Night Out. This is celebrated throughout the country to bring communities together by enhancing the relationship between neighbors and law enforcement (for further information: <https://natw.org/>). Next, we made 84 traffic stops, 60 of those were on Main Street, and resulted in 61 citations.

Report from Development Director:

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Mr. Hale said in May we processed 149 permits. That was the most processed in a month since 2016. Then in June, we processed 179 permits. So, the flow of business is yet present and steady. Next, Planning, Building, and Zoning Committee has no business for our next meeting. Also, on July 11, 2022 our new software went live. We are working through all the new situations with new technology.

Recognition of Clerk and Council:

Mr. J. Hall said there are Council Packets for the Special Meeting of Council for each of you. Also, I have a letter from July 4th Street Fest (the thank you letter was read).

Recognition of Guests:

Ms. Linda O'Reilly said has Redwood been postponed until August 22, 2022?

President Conway said Council has to have a Public Hearing on any rezoning issue. Once we receive the request from Planning and Zoning, we have 90 days to act. The 90th day would be August 25, 2022.

Ms. Linda O'Reilly asked who gets notification?

President Conway said there is a public notice and a notice sent to properties within 200 feet of the development.

Mr. J. Hall said on May 27, 2022 we received the application, which makes the 90-day date August 25. Then, tomorrow July 18, 2022 I will be sending the public ad to Madison Messenger for the Sunday, July 24, 2022 publication. Meanwhile, a public notice will be placed on the door and web site. That is the 30-day notice. The 20-day notice is given to all the properties within 200 and will be mailed by August 2, 2022. Also, the 90-day period is a time to study the issue and Council can vote to add 60 more days at the next meeting following the 90-days. On August 22, 2022 Council will have a Special Meeting of Council with the agenda item of a Public Hearing. After the Public Hearing Council will cease deliberations and take action on Ordinance 22-048.

Old Business:

Ordinance 22-048, pursuant to Codified Ordinances Chapter 1117.01, Council shall set the zoning classification at the time of annexation of Parcels 08-00582.000 to Planned Mixed Use District (PMU).

Motion to Postpone Ordinance 22-048 to the August 22, 2022, Special Meeting of Council and Public Hearing, moved by Mr. Patterson and seconded by Ms. L. Hall.

Deliberations: President Conway opened up Council deliberations.

Deliberations: President Conway closed Council deliberations to vote on the main motion.

VOTE YEA: Ms. Cahill, Mr. Conway, Ms. L. Hall, Mr. King, Mr. Patterson, Mr. Wade, and Ms. Warner.

VOTE NAY: None.

ABSTAIN: 0

Motion Carries 7-0.

New Business:

First Reading of Ordinance 22-054, authorizing supplemental appropriations in the General Fund.

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Motion to Wave the Second Reading Rule for Ordinance 22-054, moved by Ms. Warner and seconded by Mr. Patterson.

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VOTE YEA: Ms. Cahill, Mr. Conway, Ms. L. Hall, Mr. King, Mr. Patterson, Mr. Wade, and Ms. Warner.

VOTE NAY: None.

ABSTAIN: 0

Motion Carries 7-0.

Motion to Adopt Ordinance 22-054, moved by Mr. Patterson and seconded by Mr. Wade.

Deliberations: President Conway opened up Council deliberations.

Deliberations: President Conway closed Council deliberations to vote on the main motion.

VOTE YEA: Ms. Cahill, Mr. Conway, Ms. L. Hall, Mr. King, Mr. Patterson, Mr. Wade, and Ms. Warner.

VOTE NAY: None.

ABSTAIN: 0

Motion Carries 7-0.

First Reading of Ordinance 22-055, authorizing supplemental appropriations in the General Fund.

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Motion to Wave the Second Reading Rule for Ordinance 22-055, moved by Mr. Wade and seconded by Ms. L. Hall.

Deliberations: President Conway opened up Council deliberations.

Deliberations: President Conway closed Council deliberations to vote on the main motion.

VOTE YEA: Ms. Cahill, Mr. Conway, Ms. L. Hall, Mr. King, Mr. Patterson, Mr. Wade, and Ms. Warner.

VOTE NAY: None.

ABSTAIN: 0

Motion Carries 7-0.

Motion to Adopt Ordinance 22-055, moved by Ms. Cahill and seconded by Mr. Patterson.

Deliberations: President Conway opened up Council deliberations.

Deliberations: President Conway closed Council deliberations to vote on the main motion.

VOTE YEA: Ms. Cahill, Mr. Conway, Ms. L. Hall, Mr. King, Mr. Patterson, Mr. Wade, and Ms. Warner.

VOTE NAY: None.

ABSTAIN: 0

Motion Carries 7-0.

Resolution 22-056, authorizing Pandemic Pay Policy, and making the Policy effective retroactively to June 30, 2022.

Motion to Adopt Resolution 22-056, moved by Ms. L. Hall and seconded by Mr. King.

Deliberations: President Conway opened up Council deliberations.

Deliberations: President Conway closed Council deliberations to vote on the main motion.

VOTE YEA: Ms. Cahill, Mr. Conway, Ms. L. Hall, Mr. King, Mr. Wade, and Ms. Warner.

VOTE NAY: None.

ABSTAIN: 1; Mr. Patterson.

Motion Carries 6-0-1.

Additional Business: None.

Pay the Bills:

Motion to Pay the Bills moved by Mr. Patterson and seconded by Ms. Warner.

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VOICED VOTE AFFIRMED

Motion Carries 7-0.

"Then and Now" Certificates over \$3,000.00: None.

Adjourn:

Motion to Adjourn at 7:59 P.M. moved by Ms. Patterson and seconded by Ms. Warner until 7:00 P.M. August 1, 2022, Regular Meeting of Council.

VOICED VOTE AFFIRMED

Motion Carries 7-0.



Jimmy John Hall
Clerk of Council



Mike Conway
President of Council

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