

**COUNCIL MINUTES
REGULAR MEETING OF
WASHINGTON COURT HOUSE CITY COUNCIL
02/09/2022
7:30 pm**

Council met in regular session at 7:30 pm in the second floor Council Chambers located at 105 N. Main Street, Washington Court House, with Chairperson Dale Lynch presiding. Mr. Dale Lynch led the invocation and Mr. Steve Shiltz led the pledge of allegiance.

Mr. Lynch introduced one of his students in attendance at Council.

Present at said meeting were, Mr. Joe Denen, City Manager, Mr. Mark Pitstick, City Attorney and Mrs. Kelley Ford, Clerk of Council. At roll call, the following Council Members were present: Ms. Kendra Hernandez, Mr. Caleb Johnson, Mr. Steve Shiltz, Mr. Jim Blair, Mr. Jim Chrisman and Mr. Dale Lynch. Mr. Ted Hawk was absent.

Mr. Chrisman moved and Mr. Johnson seconded the following motion:

Motion: That Mr. Ted Hawk be excused from the meeting.

At roll call the vote resulted as follows: Ms. Hernandez, "Aye"; Mr. Johnson, "Aye"; Mr. Shiltz, "Aye"; Mr. Blair, "Aye"; Mr. Chrisman, "Aye"; and Mr. Lynch, "Aye".

Motion carried.

Mr. Shiltz moved and Mr. Blair seconded the following motion:

Motion: That the minutes of the Regular Council meeting held January 26, 2022, be approved as corrected.

In discussion, Ms. Hernandez requested additional information be added to her statement regarding abstaining from legislation. Ms. Hernandez requested it to read that she supported of the golf course but would be abstaining from the vote on the legislation due to money movement being done before everything was in place.

At roll call the vote resulted as follows: Ms. Hernandez, "Aye"; Mr. Johnson, "Aye"; Mr. Shiltz, "Aye"; Mr. Blair, "Aye"; Mr. Chrisman, "Aye"; and Mr. Lynch, "Aye".

Motion carried.

COMMUNICATION

There was none.

COUNCIL COMMITTEES

There was none.

CITY MANAGER REPORT (in writing)

Mr. Denen respectfully addressed Council and advised that the Administration received the natural gas aggregation rates for next winter and beyond. Mr. Denen noted from April 1, 2022 through March 31, 2023, a

fixed rate of \$0.548 and from April 2023, through October 2024, a fixed rate of \$0.474. Mr. Denen noted that a letter would be sent in the mail explaining the procedure and prices.

Mr. Denen reported that there would be a public hearing scheduled for March 23, 2022 regarding a rezoning on Andrick Drive.

Mr. Denen noted that Covid staffing issues was returning to normal capacity.

Mr. Denen reviewed new legislation.

DIRECTOR OF FINANCE

Director of Finance was absent.

CITY ATTORNEY

City Attorney, Mr. Mark Pitstick respectfully addressed Council and stated that he wanted to publicly thank Attorney Dan Drake.

LOCAL RESIDENTS AND TAX PAYERS

There was none.

1. LEGISLATION PREVIOUSLY INTRODUCED (in writing)

A. RESOLUTION NO. R2-2022 (second reading)

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING JOSEPH J. DENEN, CITY MANAGER, OF THE CITY OF WASHINGTON COURT HOUSE OR HIS DESIGNEE TO TRANSFER ONE HUNDRED TWENTY-FIVE THOUSAND DOLLARS (\$125,000.00) TO THE COMMUNITY IMPROVEMENT CORPORATION OF WASHINGTON COURT HOUSE AND FAYETTE COUNTY FOR THE PURPOSE OF RECREATION AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT.

Mr. Shiltz moved and Mr. Johnson seconded the following motion:

Motion: That Resolution No. R2-2022 be placed on second reading.

Mr. Johnson noted that he would like to see Section One of the legislation be amended to to be in agreement with the title of the legislation, concerning Economic Development.

Ms. Hernandez expressed her support, due to the progress made with the information that was inquired about earlier.

Mr. Johnson moved and Ms. Hernandez seconded the following motion:

Motion: That section one of the legislation be amended to read as the title of the legislation.

At roll call the vote resulted as follows: Ms. Hernandez, "Aye"; Mr. Johnson, "Aye"; Mr. Shiltz, "Aye"; Mr. Blair, "Aye"; Mr. Chrisman, "Aye"; and Mr. Lynch, "Aye".

Motion carried.

Mr. Lynch noted that there was a motion and a second on the floor on the Amended Resolution.

At roll call the vote resulted as follows: Ms. Hernandez, “Aye”; Mr. Johnson, “Aye”; Mr. Shiltz, “Aye”; Mr. Blair, “Aye”; Mr. Chrisman, “Aye”; and Mr. Lynch, “Aye”.

Motion carried.

Mr. Shiltz moved and Mr. Johnson seconded the following motion:

Motion: That Amended Resolution No. R2-2022 be adopted.

At roll call the vote resulted as follows: Ms. Hernandez, “Aye”; Mr. Johnson, “Aye”; Mr. Shiltz, “Aye”; Mr. Blair, “Aye”; Mr. Chrisman, “Aye”; and Mr. Lynch, “Aye”.

Motion carried

2. NEW LEGISLATION (in writing)

A. RESOLUTION NO. R3-2022 (first reading)

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING JOSEPH J. DENEN, CITY MANAGER TO ENTER INTO A COOPERATIVE AGREEMENT WITH THE DIRECTOR OF TRANSPORTATION OF THE STATE OF OHIO REFERENCING FAY-US62-13.17, PID NUMBER 106240 FOR URBAN PAVING.

Mr. Shiltz moved and Mr. Johnson seconded the following motion:

Motion: That Resolution No. R3-2022 be placed on first reading.

At roll call the vote resulted as follows: Ms. Hernandez, “Aye”; Mr. Johnson, “Aye”; Mr. Shiltz, “Aye”; Mr. Blair, “Aye”; Mr. Chrisman, “Aye”; and Mr. Lynch, “Aye”.

Motion carried

MISCELLANEOUS

Ms. Hernandez wished everyone a Happy Valentine’s Day and encouraged citizens to shop local.

Mr. Chrisman stated that he was glad to see warmer weather.

Mr. Johnson expressed his appreciation of everyone in attendance.

Mr. Johnson expressed his appreciation of the local restaurants, specifically, Super Sport Pizza, Capuana’s and Long John Silvers for donating several meals to essential workers during the inclement weather.

Mr. Blair had no comment.

Mr. Shiltz expressed his appreciation of the Human Resource Department who had worked alongside Council regarding the replacement of the Finance Director.

Mr. Shiltz thanked the city workers who had worked in frigid cold temperatures.

Mr. Lynch expressed his appreciation to see former Council Member and Police Sergeant Mr. Steve Jennings.

Mr. Lynch reminded Council of the Council Work Session scheduled for March 3, 2022 at 5:00 pm to be held in the downstairs conference room.

E. Adjournment

Mr. Shiltz moved and Mr. Johnson seconded the following motion:

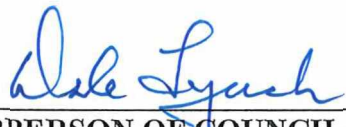
Motion: That the Regular Meeting be adjourned.

At roll call the vote resulted as follows: Ms. Hernandez, "Aye"; Mr. Johnson, "Aye"; Mr. Shiltz, "Aye"; Mr. Blair, "Aye"; Mr. Chrisman, "Aye"; and Mr. Lynch, "Aye".

Motion carried. Regular Meeting adjourned at 7:57 pm.



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Report of C. M. J. J. D. 0/09/22

A.) Natural Gas

- 1.) Price Fix for this winter.
- 2.) From April 1, 2022, through March 31, 2023, fixed rate \$0.548.
- 3.) From April 2023, through October 2024, fixed rate \$0.474.
- 4.) Letter to citizens regarding rates, to participate, you do nothing.

B.) March 23rd rezoning notice, Undeveloped section of Andrick

C.) Application to improve and landscape the section of the Court House square formerly occupied by the SO approved.

D.) COVID Staffing issues returning to normal.

E.) Warmer weather welcome.