

**COUNCIL MINUTES
REGULAR MEETING OF
WASHINGTON COURT HOUSE CITY COUNCIL
03/23/2022
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. Steve Shiltz led the invocation, Mr. Lynch noted that Mr. Ted Hawk's granddaughter Mrs. Wendy Hawk was in attendance. Mrs. Wendy Hawk sang the National Anthem and Mr. Ted Hawk led the pledge of allegiance.

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: Mr. Jim Blair, Mr. Jim Chrisman, Mr. Ted Hawk, Ms. Kendra Hernandez, Mr. Caleb Johnson, Mr. Steve Shiltz, and Mr. Dale Lynch.

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

Motion: That the minutes of the Council Work Session meeting held March 3, 2022 be approved as presented.

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

Motion carried.

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

Motion: That the minutes of the Regular Council meeting held March 9, 2022, be approved as presented.

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

Motion carried.

PUBLIC HEARING

Mr. Lynch opened the public hearing for the rezoning of lots (#73-#95 inclusive) Andrick Drive-Trotters Point from R1B (Medium Density Single Family Residential District) to R2 (Two Family Residential District).

There being no one to address Council, Mr. Lynch declared the public hearing closed at 7:37pm.

COMMUNICATION

There was none.

COUNCIL COMMITTEES

Mr. Blair presented the minutes of the Finance and Personnel Committee meeting held February 23, 2022.

Ms. Hernandez moved Mr. Shiltz seconded the following motion:

MOTION: That the minutes of the Finance and Personnel Committee meeting held be approved as presented.

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

Motion carried.

Ms. Hernandez presented the minutes of the Economic Strategies and Cooperation Committee meeting held February 23, 2022.

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

MOTION: That the minutes of the Economic Strategies and Cooperation Committee meeting held Ms. Hernandez be approved as presented.

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

Motion carried.

Mr. Hawk presented the minutes of the Safety, Service and Recreation Committee meeting held March 9, 2022.

Mr. Chrisman moved Mr. Shiltz seconded the following motion:

MOTION: That the minutes of the Safety, Service and Recreation Committee meeting held be approved as presented.

In discussion, Mr. Chrisman inquired if both reservoirs and ponds would be stocked with fish? Mr. Denen advised in the affirmative.

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

Motion carried.

CITY MANAGER REPORT (in writing)

Mr. Denen respectfully addressed Council and advised that the electric vehicle charging stations were functional and located at the downtown City Parking lot.

Mr. Denen expressed appreciation of the Master Gardeners for their participation in the flowerpot program. Mr. Denen encouraged support of the program.

Mr. Denen noted that contract negotiations with the Police Department Unions had concluded.

Mr. Denen encouraged support of the Carnegie Public Library Dog Stick Day to be held on April 1st at 2pm.

Mr. Denen reviewed new legislation.

DIRECTOR OF FINANCE

Director of Finance was absent.

CITY ATTORNEY

City Attorney, Mr. Mark Pitstick noted that the mowing ordinance would be enforced in the upcoming weeks and encouraged citizens to mow their lawns.

LOCAL RESIDENTS AND TAX PAYERS

Ms. Carrie Coldiron a resident of 922 S North Street, respectfully addressed Council and expressed her concern with excessive litter and trash issues within the community. Ms. Coldiron advised that she had been productive in the cleanup of her area. Ms. Coldiron inquired if there were suggestions from Council to encourage citizens to not litter and to dispose of trash properly within the community.

Council discussed options for review.

Mr. Denen advised that contact would be made with Ms. Coldiron to review the area of her concern.

1. LEGISLATION PREVIOUSLY INTRODUCED (in writing)

A. ORDINANCE NO.1-2022 (third reading)

AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE CITY ADMINISTRATION TO CREATE THE JOB POSITION OF “TAX ADMINSTRATOR”, PURSUANT TO THE DUTIES AND RESPONSIBILITIES ESPOUSED IN THE ATTACHED JOB DESCRIPTION AND SETTING THE APPROPRIATE LEVEL OF COMPENSATION FOR THE JOB.

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

Motion: That Ordinance No.1-2022 be placed on third reading.

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

Motion carried.

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

Motion: That Ordinance No.1-2022 be passed.

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

Motion carried.

B. RESOLUTION NO. R6-2022 (second reading)

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING JOSEPH J. DENEN, CITY MANAGER OF THE CITY OF WASHINGTON COURT HOUSE OR HIS DESIGNEE, TO AWARD A CONTRACT TO VORTEX USA INC. FOR THE PURCHASE OF A SPLASH PAD.

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

Motion: That Resolution No. R6-2022 be placed on second reading.

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

Motion carried

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

Motion: That Resolution No. R6-2022 be adopted.

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

Motion carried

B. RESOLUTION NO. R7-2022 (second reading)

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING JOSEPH J. DENEN, CITY MANAGER OF THE CITY OF WASHINGTON COURT HOUSE OR HIS DESIGNEE, TO AWARD A CONTRACT TO NATIONAL FITNESS CAMPAIGN LP FOR THE PURCHASE OF OUTDOOR FITNESS EQUIPMENT.

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

Motion: That Resolution No. R7-2022 be placed on second reading.

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

Motion carried

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

Motion: That Resolution No. R7-2022 be adopted.

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

Motion carried

C. RESOLUTION NO. R8-2022 (second reading)

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING JOSEPH J. DENEN, CITY MANAGER OF THE CITY OF WASHINGTON COURT HOUSE OR HIS DESIGNEE, TO AWARD A CONTRACT TO ENGINEERED INSTALLATION SOLUTIONS LP FOR THE INSTALLATION OF AN OUTDOOR FITNESS PAD.

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

Motion: That Resolution No. R8-2022 be placed on second reading.

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

Motion carried

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

Motion: That Resolution No. R8-2022 be adopted.

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

Motion carried

D. RESOLUTION NO. R9-2022 (second reading)

A RESOLUTION CONFIRMING JOSEPH J. DENEN, CITY MANAGER OF THE CITY OF WASHINGTON COURT HOUSE, APPOINTMENT OF BETH GERBER TO THE CARNEGIE PUBLIC LIBRARY BOARD OF TRUSTEES TO FULFILL AN UNEXPIRED TERM CONCLUDING DECEMBER 31, 2023.

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

Motion: That Resolution No. R9-2022 be placed on second reading.

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

Motion carried

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

Motion: That Resolution No. R9-2022 be adopted.

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

Motion carried

2. NEW LEGISLATION (in writing)

A. ORDINANCE NO. 2-2022 (first reading)

AN ORDINANCE REZONING LOTS (#73 THROUGH #95 INCLUSIVE), ANDRICK DRIVE-TROTTERS POINTE SUBDIVISION; OWNED BY JB HOLDINGS-JARET BISHOP, FROM R1B (MEDIUM DENSITY SINGLE FAMILY RESIDENTIAL DISTRICT) TO R2(TWO FAMILY RESIDENTIAL DISTRICT)

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

Motion: That Ordinance No. 2-2022 be placed on first reading.

In discussion, Ms. Hernandez inquired about the location of the lots to be rezoned. Mr. Kyle Reid, 238 Kentucky Avenue, Wilmington Ohio, representative of JLB Properties respectfully addressed Council and advised Ms. Hernandez that the location of the lots would be adjacent to State Route 35. Mr. Reid noted that there would be potentially 22 properties with the potential to have 44 families housed within the area.

Mr. Johnson inquired if the homes to be built are like the homes constructed on Leesburg Avenue? Mr. Johnson expressed his appreciation of the housing development on Leesburg Avenue. Mr. Reid thanked Mr. Johnson for the compliment and advised that the condominiums on Leesburg Avenue were a trial design, modified on a higher end specification. Mr. Reid advised Mr. Johnson that the style of condominiums located in Trotters Point, would be middle to higher build, but not in the style of Leesburg Avenue buildings.

Mr. Calvin Tenbrink a resident of 1286 Paddock Loop, inquired with Mr. Reid about the possibility of increased traffic in the area? Mr. Reid advised that the design of the street layout helped reduce additional traffic in the areas that are currently developed.

Mr. Shiltz inquired if there would be off street parking? Mr. Reid advised in the affirmative.

Mr. Denen noted that the Planning Commission made a favorable recommendation for the rezone.

Mr. Reid noted that there was a housing need in the community and the benefit for the citizens of the community with the additional homes.

Mr. Blair inquired about the cost to construct the cul-de-sac was the responsibility of the city or the company? Mr. Reid advised the development of the area was that of JLB Properties.

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

Motion carried

B. RESOLUTION NO. R10-2022 (first reading)

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING JOSEPH J. DENEN CITY MANAGER, OF THE CITY OF WASHINGTON COURT HOUSE, TO ENTER INTO CONTRACT WITH BEST EQUIPMENT FOR THE PURCHASE OF A TYMCO MODEL 660 STREET SWEEPER.

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

Motion: That Resolution No. R10-2022 be placed on first reading.

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

Motion carried

MISCELLANEOUS

Mr. Chrisman expressed his appreciation of Wendy Hawk singing the National Anthem.

Mr. Chrisman expressed his appreciation of those in attendance.

Mr. Hawk stated that he was proud of his granddaughter and her decision to serve her country with the Air Force of the United States. Mr. Hawk advised of his other family members who have served in the armed forces.

Mr. Blair expressed his appreciation of those in attendance.

Mr. Blair thanked Mrs. Hawk for her services, noting he was an Air Force veteran.

Mr. Johnson expressed his appreciation of those in attendance.

Mr. Johnson expressed his concern with the trash in the community and expressed the desire of stricter enforcement of the city ordinance pertaining to trash. Mr. Johnson especially noted his concern of the article regarding children doing trash clean up litter.

Ms. Hernandez expressed her appreciation of Mrs. Hawk's of the singing of the National Anthem, noting that she had been a music minor.

Ms. Hernandez reported that the April Shop Hop would be held Friday April 8, 2022 and encouraged citizens participation at the event.

Ms. Hernandez expressed her appreciation of the community services and trash collection of the youth within the community, noting the importance instilled of ownership in the community by such activity.

Mr. Shilts expressed his appreciation of Mr. Steve Armstrong and the group of youth within the community for the community service of litter removal noting the importance of the action instilling pride and ownership.

Mr. Shiltz suggested the possibility of dumpsters being placed in certain areas around the community for the encouragement of trash collection on items that cannot be disposed of by private rubbish removal companies.

Mr. Shiltz expressed his appreciation of the future housing development.

Mr. Lynch thanked Mrs. Hawk for attending and requested a photo with Council. Mr. Lynch wished Mrs. Hawk well on her service in the Air Force.

E. Adjournment

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

Motion: That the Regular Meeting be adjourned.

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

Motion carried. Regular Meeting adjourned at 8:25 pm.



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