

WHITEHALL CITY COUNCIL
AGENDA MEETING MINUTES

President Potter called the April 07, 2020 agenda meeting to order at 6:30 p.m. All members were present.

President Potter reviewed the agenda and confirmed who would handle the various required motions this evening.

The meeting adjourned at 6:32 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Julie A. Ogg, Clerk of Council

APPROVED: _____, 2020.

Thomas M. Potter, Council President

WHITEHALL CITY COUNCIL MEETING

MINUTES – April 07, 2020

President Potter called the regular meeting of Whitehall City Council to order at 7:00 p.m. on Tuesday, April 07, 2020.

President Potter made the following statement: We are still in the midst of the effects of Covid-19, where once again we are thinking about the public, effecting the public for participating safely from your home. With regards to comments for Poll Public, we are continuing the process of asking those of you who wish to speak to submit your comments by 5:00 p.m. on the Monday prior to the Council meeting and those items will be read during that Council meeting. And finally, I would be remised if I did not thank the folks on the front line, including the medical community, safety forces and first responders. The list goes on and please know your sacrifices are most appreciated.

At President Potter's request, everyone rose for a moment of silence. Those assembled then recited the Pledge of Allegiance.

On roll call by the clerk, the following members of council were present:

Bob Bailey
Chris Rodriguez
Lori Elmore
Karen Conison
Wes Kantor
Jo Anna Heck
Larry Morrison

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

Ms. Conison moved to approve the Minutes of the March 17, 2020, agenda and regular meeting. Mr. Kantor seconded the motion. There was no discussion. On a roll call vote, all members responded in the affirmative and the minutes were approved as submitted.

POLL PUBLIC:

City Council Clerk Julie Ogg read the following emails:

Micole L. Spicer
4227 Rickenbacker Avenue, Apt. #606
Whitehall, OH 43213

Good Evening City Council, Mayor Maggard and all Whitehall elected officials
(City Attorney Michael T. Bivens, City Auditor Dan Miller, City Treasurer Steven Quincel)
Thank you for your leadership of the City of Whitehall during this difficult time in our nation due to the coronavirus crisis.
Thank you Mayor Maggard for issuing the city curfew for the safety of Whitehall residents and businesses.
Thank you to Chief Mike Crispen and the Whitehall Police Department for protecting our city.
Thank you to Chief Preston Moore and the Whitehall Fire Department for your service.
Thank you to Megan Meyer, Community Affairs Manager for the updates and communications for resources for Whitehall residents. I am sharing these updates with some of my neighbors who do not have internet nor a computer in their homes. Take care and Be safe!

Greg Thurman
738 Bernhard Rd
Whitehall, OH 43213

Just wanted to take a moment to say thank you to the Mayor, Administration, Council, Police, Fire, and all Whitehall city employees for all you are doing during these difficult times. I'm confident in our leadership, grateful for all the communications we are receiving. I appreciate you, and I know I'm not the only one. Additionally, I like many others had my basement flooded on March 20. I appreciate the concern that I have felt from the city, as expressed by Mayor Maggard and Zach Woodruff. It's encouraging. And I can't say enough about our trash collectors, thank you so much - I know it's been a hard couple of weeks.

Everyone stay safe and healthy.

OFFICIALS' REPORTS

Mayor Kim Maggard – was not present.

City Attorney Michael Bivens – was not present.

City Auditor Dan Miller – was not present.

Director of Public Service and Development Zach Woodruff – was not present.

Public Safety Director Van Gregg – was not present.

Treasurer Steve Quinzel – was not present.

President Potter – advised that the following Officials' Reports have been filed in the Council Office since the last meeting: The Auditor's Expense Report for February 2020, the Auditor's Bank Report for February 2020, the Auditor's Statement of Cash Position Report for February 2020 and the Auditor's Revenue Report for February 2020.

COMMUNICATIONS, PETITIONS AND CLAIMS:

1. Notice from the Ohio Division of Liquor Control for a new D1 liquor permit for HECTOR WINGS 1 LLC., 3752 E. BROAD ST., WHITEHALL, OHIO 43213.

VERIFICATION OF COPIES:

President Potter requested a roll call on whether each member of council received a copy of each item of legislation listed on the agenda prior to the meeting, including any add-on legislation. On a roll call vote, all members responded in the affirmative.

THIRD READING:

There was no legislation for third readings.

SECOND READING:

ORDINANCE NO. 016-2020 was read by title only by President Potter:

AUTHORIZING A SUPPLEMENTAL APPROPRIATION IN THE AMOUNT OF EIGHTEEN THOUSAND THREE HUNDRED FIFTY-SEVEN AND 64/100 DOLLARS (\$18,357.64) FROM UNAPPROPRIATED MONIES IN THE GENERAL FUND (101) TO THE CONTINGENCY EXPENSE ACCOUNT (101.950.59900) AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

FIRST READING:

ORDINANCE NO. 022-2020 was read by title only by President Potter:

AUTHORIZING AND APPROVING THE MAYOR TO SIGN A CONTRACT WITH THE FRATERNAL ORDER OF POLICE, OHIO LABOR COUNCIL, INC. REPRESENTING PART-TIME POLICE DISPATCHERS FOR THE CONTRACT TERM JANUARY 1, 2020 TO DECEMBER 31, 2022 AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

Ms. Conison introduced and moved to suspend the rules on Ordinance No. 022-2020 and Mr. Morrison seconded the motion. There was no discussion. On a roll call vote, all members voted in the affirmative and Ordinance No. 022-2020 was suspended.

Ms. Conison moved to adopt Ordinance No. 022-2020 and Mr. Morrison seconded the motion. There was no discussion. On a roll call vote, all members voted in the affirmative and Ordinance No. 022-2020 was adopted.

POLL PUBLIC:

No comments at this time.

COMMUNITY DATE BOARD:

There were no items for Community Date Board.

POLL COUNCIL:

Mr. Bailey said he wanted to thank everyone for coming out tonight to take care of business for the City.

Mr. Rodriguez said it was good to see everyone for a few minutes. He is okay with meeting like this instead of the Zoom meetings in the future. Everyone stay safe and he will see everyone soon.

Ms. Elmore said she wanted to thank those that are viewing live tonight and the people who wrote in for the Poll Public. Those are very kind words and at this time we do need to hear some of those kind words so thank you Whitehall community. Thank you Megan for the updates and she forwards the updates to as many people as possible. She believes in physical distancing but continue social connections. Social media is a really good way to stay in contact with family and friends. Also, we are our brother's keeper and we should use good sense in that. For our senior citizens, avoid any covid-19 contact as it is rampant right now and do not forget to vote. If you have not requested your absentee ballot it needed to be mailed in and received by April 25th. Also, ballots can be hand delivered to Franklin County Board of Elections at 1700 Morse Road. The Franklin County Board of Elections is partnering with local Kroger stores to help distribute mail-in ballots requests during this ongoing health crisis. She wants everyone to stay safe and it was good seeing everyone.

Ms. Conison wanted to thank everyone for viewing and it is nice to be with everyone. Tomorrow will start the first night of Passover and it will last for one week. Sunday is Easter and she wished everyone happy holidays, be with your family, do some face timing with them, give them calls, send them letters and cards and everyone be safe.

Ms. Heck thanked everyone for tuning in and those that wrote in. Those are very kind words. Thank you to all the essential workers who are still working to keep everything going. We greatly appreciate it. She hopes everyone stays safe.

Mr. Kantor wanted to thank everyone for viewing and it was nice seeing everyone. These are some tough times we are going through and we will get through them. He hopes everyone stays healthy and safe. He has spoken with the Chief of Police and the Chief of Fire and they are both doing a phenomenal job and are staying safe. He hopes to see everyone soon and God bless you.

Mr. Morrison wanted to thank everyone for watching and also for the good comments from the citizens. He said it was good to see everyone and thanked them for coming in. He thanked Ms. Ogg for all she is doing and wants everyone to stay safe.

President Potter said he wanted to echo the comments made by his fellow Council members and he thanked Ms. Ogg for keeping him updated on everything and that it is much appreciated. He hopes everyone stays safe.

Having nothing further, Mr. Bailey moved to adjourn and Mr. Rodriguez seconded the motion. On a roll call vote, all members responded in the affirmative and the meeting adjourned at 7:12 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Julie A. Ogg, Clerk of Council

APPROVED: _____, 2020.

Thomas M. Potter, Council President