

WHITEHALL CITY COUNCIL
AGENDA MEETING MINUTES

September 4, 2018

President Graham called the September 4, 2018 agenda meeting to order at 6:30 p.m. All members were present.

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

Director Woodruff explained that the cities financial bond council team has been working with the numbers and they have come up with a way for the city to save some additional funds. Instead of using three separate bonds, they will combine the \$9,000,000 and the \$1,000,000. Therefore, they are asking to table Ordinance No. 071-2018 and amend Ordinance No. 072-2018 to \$10,000,000. He introduced Brian Cooper who is a part of the city's financial bond council team to answer any questions that council might have.

Mr. Cooper said that Ordinance No. 073-2018 will stay the same because it cannot be combined with other issuances because of the type of financing. By combining Ordinance Nos. 071-2018 and 072-2018 and increasing the amount by \$1,000,000, they can do one less note issuance. That will make the process more efficient and will save the city approximately \$10,000 or \$15,000 in transactional costs.

Director Woodruff said the process does not change whereas in 3 to 5 years they will look to sell or enter into a long-term land lease. Then we will refinance the property to a long-term debt obligation. These are one-year notes and the interest would be paid out of the TIF money.

President Graham asked if the city would still be able to bond another \$10,000,000 to \$15,000,000 in the future if necessary.

Mr. Cooper said under the city's special obligation nontax revenue, there would still be approximately \$8,000,000.

Director Woodruff said the important thing to remember is that this is the nontax revenue, not the general obligation.

The meeting adjourned at 6:50 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Mary Freimark, Clerk of Council

APPROVED: _____, 2018.

Jim Graham, Council President

WHITEHALL CITY COUNCIL MEETING

MINUTES – SEPTEMBER 4, 2018

President Graham called the regular meeting of Whitehall City Council to order at 7:00 p.m. on Tuesday, September 4, 2018.

At President Graham's request, everyone rose for a moment of silence. The Pledge of Allegiance was then recited by those assembled.

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

Wes Kantor
JoAnna Heck
Larry Morrison
Robert Bailey
Chris Rodriguez
Lori Elmore
Karen Conison

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Ms. Conison moved to approve the Minutes of the August 21, 2018 agenda and regular meetings. 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.

SPECIAL PRESENTATION

Zach Woodruff, Director of Development introduced the City's engineer, Ryan Andrews with EMH&T. Director Woodruff explained that the city is applying for an Ohio Public Works Commission grant and one of the questions on the OPWC application is if the city involved the public; therefore he is asking for signatures on a sign-up sheet that is being passed around. This will accompany the application to show proof that a public hearing was held. He also stated that he has forms that can be filled out if someone has comments or concerns regarding this project. He understands that many streets in Whitehall need work, but part of being awarded an OPWC grant is knowing which project scores high enough for them to help fund.

The project that they are presenting will be on Etna Road, from Hamilton to Yearling and cross over Yearling on Seigman to Beechwood. It would improve the current infrastructure and improve pedestrian connectivity. The plan would link Beechwood Elementary, Etna Road Elementary, Kae Avenue Early Learning Campus and Rosemore Elementary through a safe bike path. It would also include new pavement, spot curb and gutter replacement, installation of streetlights and a 6 to 8 feet multiuse bike path on the south side of the road. Mr. Andrews said the application is due in the next couple of weeks and they will find out if they received it by mid-December. Director Woodruff said if they are awarded the grant, they will be starting construction in spring of 2020.

President Graham asked if there was a sidewalk currently there. Director Woodruff said they would take the sidewalk out and a 6 to 8 feet wide bike path would replace it.

Mr. Morrison asked what is an example of curb and gutter spot replacement. Director Woodruff said where it is necessary. He added that this project would include fixing the drainage and storm sewer and the curb and gutter at Bernhard and Etna. That would alleviate the flooding that currently occurs at that corner.

Director Woodruff said this does not increase taxes at all. He stated that the project will cost roughly \$2.8 million, the OPWC grant would cover 75% and the other 25% would be an interest free loan for a period of 18 to 20 years. This is a way the city can pay for large infrastructure projects over a period of time.

Director Woodruff said no one on the north side of the street will see any differences with this project with the exception of curb and gutter that could be replaced and new street lights.

Mr. Bailey asked what will the distance be from the middle of the road to the inside edge of the right of way be if you're changing the sidewalk to 6 to 8 feet. Mr. Andrews said currently there is a 4 to 5 feet grass strip between the back of the curb and the front of the sidewalk. They would probably reduce that to 2 to 3 feet and split the difference.

Director Woodruff said another advantage to the residents is currently sidewalks are the responsibility of the homeowner. Once the city puts in a bike path the maintenance would now be the city's responsibility.

They have not gone in to full engineering or right of way plans. If they were awarded the grant they would spend 2019 working on engineering and working with the neighbors and community stake holders.

Ms. Heck asked how long would the project take. Director Woodruff said it would take approximately 150 to 180 days and the street would not be closed at any time.

Mr. Morrison asked if they were going to start the project after the school year so it does not affect the children walking or buses. Director Woodruff said that is the goal.

Mr. Bailey asked if the circuits for the new lights would be underground. Mr. Andrews said yes.

Mr. Morrison asked if the lights that are being installed closer to the resident's homes would have a shield or guard. Director Woodruff said they would have a shield so they will not be shining directly in to someone's home.

Ms. Heck asked how much of someone's property will be taken for this project. Director Woodruff said from the centerline of the road extended to each side of the roadway is what is called the right of way or easement. The residents maintain the easement, but the city owns it. It is usually where the utilities and storm sewers are located. The city may ask to have the easement expanded to accommodate the bike path.

A resident asked if the sidewalk and strip of grass would be closer to residents on the south side. Director Woodruff said the location of the curb does not change the area of the grass between the back of the curb and sidewalk. The concrete sidewalk will be turned into a walking and bike path that will be wider.

A resident asked if the city was going to take 3 feet of their yard to install a bike path and will anyone ever use it. Director Woodruff said if you install bike paths, people would use them.

A resident asked how it would affect the drainage on the street. Mr. Andrews said it would have little effect on the drainage. They may decide to add drainage in certain places.

A resident said he thinks the drainage issues are more important than a bike path. Director Woodruff said if they did a project that involved just storm sewers it would not score high enough to receive the grant.

A resident asked why they do not use the grant to build sidewalks on streets that don't currently have them. Director Woodruff said it would not score high enough to get the grant.

A resident asked that if the project is not needed, why they are doing it. Director Woodruff said the pavement definitely needs replaced and improving connectivity for pedestrians in a community is important.

A resident asked if there would be lights on either sides or just one. Director Woodruff said on both sides.

A resident asked if the approaches are going to change. Mr. Andrews said all approaches would be replaced with concrete.

A resident stated that she thinks that bike paths are good for the city, but she is concerned for the how busy the street is for the children.

Director Woodruff said the long-term goal is to connect different areas and to create a safer way to get around the community.

A resident asked if they would be replacing fences if they were in the project area. Director Woodruff said generally anything that is affected by the project usually is restored or replaced by the city.

Mr. Dixon asked if this presentation is explaining what is going to be done or is it for questions and concerns about the project. Director Woodruff said that city council has a piece of legislation that would allow them to apply for the OPWC grant. If they are successful in receiving the grant, they will move forward on this project and will take all of 2019 to continue to work with the homeowners along the stretch.

Mr. Bailey stated to be clear the vote tonight is to authorize the city to apply for the grant.

POLL PUBLIC

Gerald Dixon, 3877 Doney St. He said he wanted to make sure the citizens of this city understand there is no free money. When there is federal money that comes in as a grant it is actually tax payers money. The city says there will not be a tax increase, but building bike paths and purchasing parcels of land, they are using city tax dollars. That is credit that the city will be paying on for years to come. It also takes away from other things within the budget, like paving all of Westphal. He thinks it is important to make sure taxpayers fully understand

Lenore Miller, Collingwood Ave. She is Vice President of the Senior Citizen Club. She wanted to thank the city for all the things they provide for the Senior Center. The city has given them a place to meet and helps with transportation on their trips. The parks have provided a friendly staff to maintain the facility and to help plan activities monthly. The Fire and Police Departments participate in safety committees to help educate the group. Randy Jones gave a CPR class and the K9 unit came to introduce their dogs. The IT department has helped them when they have electronic equipment problems and they are coordinating a second workshop on how to help seniors with phones and computers. She just wanted to thank all the city officials for everything they do for the group.

Brenda Lovelace, Etna Rd. She thinks that a Bike Path is a great thing, but she also thinks that in some ways they are voting in a bubble. They are not thinking about other things that the 25% of money could go to. She said some of that is their fault because they do not attend council meetings to understand the projects that are going on. She plans to correct that. She is concerned about the children and the busy traffic on that road.

STANDING COMMITTEE REPORTS

Administration and Financial Management – Chairperson Bailey reported that they met last Tuesday and discussed many ordinances that will be introduced tonight. Their minutes are on file and they will meet again next week, sometime after 6:30 p.m.

Community and Elder Advocacy – Chairperson Elmore reported they met last Tuesday and their minutes are on file. They will meet next week, sometime after 6:30 p.m.

Community Standards and Enforcement – Chairperson Rodriguez reported that they met last Tuesday and their minutes are on file. They will meet again next week, sometime after 6:30 p.m.

Economic Development – Chairperson Morrison reported that they met last Tuesday and their minutes are on file. They will meet again next week, sometime after 6:30 p.m.

Infrastructure, Maintenance and Services – Chairperson Heck reported that they met last Tuesday and they have two pieces of legislations they are voting on tonight. They will meet next week, sometime after 6:30 p.m.

Public Safety – Chairperson Conison reported that they met last Tuesday and their minutes are on file. They will meet again next week, sometime after 6:30 p.m.

Parks and Recreation – Chairperson Kantor reported that they met last Tuesday and their minutes are on file. They are keeping the Splashpad open the rest of the week due to the heat. They will meet next week, sometime after 6:30 p.m.

OFFICIALS' REPORTS

Mayor Kim Maggard – she said it was great to see everyone here tonight and urged everyone to come back because they love having people at the meetings. She asked for favorable consideration on Ordinance Nos. 072-2018, 073-2018, 082-2018, 085-2018 and Resolution Nos. 031-2018 and 035-2018. She explained that Age Friendly Columbus is now becoming Age Friendly Franklin County. She has been invited to a meeting to see how Whitehall can get more involved in helping Senior Citizens. Age Friendly will empower older residents and other community members to work together to identify strengths, challenges and opportunities for improving the lives of Senior Citizens. She is looking forward to getting involved and she will be asking for help from people along the way.

City Attorney Michael Bivens – he thanked everyone for coming this evening. His official report for the month of August consisted of 248 cases in Mayor's Court; only 33 of them were committed by Whitehall residents of a criminal nature. When he first took office, he wanted to verify the data to see if Whitehall was a safe city. Each month he goes through the cases and determines if the defendants are Whitehall residents. His is doing what they call a Strategic Community Initiative where they do a plea agreement with non-Whitehall residents to assist them on getting off the pathway of committing crimes.

A month ago, they started the first city suburb special drug court. They have a grant that comes from federal dollars that allows 30 individuals to go through drug court and get help for their addiction. He commended the mayor for thinking about the city and initiating the grant. He thanked Councilwoman Heck for coming and observing how drug court works.

He thanked Director Woodruff for not giving up on getting Rose's Department Store to fix their parking lot. He escalated the matter through the City Attorney's Office and he is excited to report that Roses has hired a company to repair the parking lot. They assured him that they would be fixing the problems soon.

City Auditor Dan Miller – he had no official report. He asked for favorable consideration on Ordinance Nos. 082-2018, 083-2018, 086-2018, and Resolution Nos. 034-2018 and 035-2018.

Director of Public Service and Development Zach Woodruff – he thanked everyone for coming and voicing their concerns regarding the project. It is helpful to have input on both sides of the issues. Demolition started today on the golf dome and they hope to have it completed in the next 30 days so the city can move toward marketing the site for office development.

Treasurer Steve Quincel – he had no official report. He wished they did not have to send out invitations for residents to come to the city council meetings.

President Graham – advised that the following Officials' Reports have been filed in the Council Office since the last meeting: The Mayors Report to Council for July 2018; The Auditor's Expense Report for July 2018; The Auditor's Bank Report for July 2018; The Auditor's Statement of Cash Position Report for July 2018; The Auditor's Revenue Report for July 2018; and The Division of Fire Overtime Report for July 2018.

VERIFICATION OF COPIES

President Graham 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:

ORDINANCE NO. 071-2018 was read by title only by President Graham:

“PROVIDING FOR THE ISSUANCE AND SALE OF NOTES IN THE MAXIMUM PRINCIPAL AMOUNT OF \$1,000,000, IN ANTICIPATION OF THE ISSUANCE OF BONDS, FOR THE PURPOSE OF PAYING THE COSTS OF ACQUIRING REAL PROPERTY TO BE USED FOR MUNICIPAL PURPOSES; AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.”

Mr. Rodriguez then moved to table indefinitely Ordinance No. 071-2018 and Mr. Morrison seconded the motion.

Director Woodruff stated that Ordinance Nos. 071-2018, 072-2018 and 073-2018 are financial vehicles that would enable the city to fill the court order to acquire the Woodcliff Condominiums. After consulting with bond council they are asking that Ordinance No. 071-2018 be tabled indefinitely and that Ordinance No. 072-2018 be increased from \$9,000,0000 to \$10,000,000. By eliminating Ordinance No. 071-2018 and increasing Ordinance No. 072-2018 it is saving the city money and financing the same amount.

On a roll call vote, all members voted in the affirmative and ORDINANCE NO. 071-2018 was tabled indefinitely.

ORDINANCE NO. 072-2018 was read by title only by President Graham:

“PROVIDING FOR THE ISSUANCE AND SALE OF NOTES IN THE MAXIMUM PRINCIPAL AMOUNT OF ~~–\$9,000,000~~ \$10,000,000, IN ANTICIPATION OF THE ISSUANCE OF BONDS, FOR THE PURPOSE OF PAYING THE COSTS OF THE ACQUISITION BY THE CITY OF A PORTION OF AN APPROXIMATELY 37-ACRE PARCEL IN THE NORTHEAST CORNER OF HAMILTON ROAD AND EAST BROAD STREET, ALL IN SUPPORT OF ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT AND JOB CREATION WITHIN THE CITY. ~~AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.~~”

Mr. Rodriguez then moved to adopt as read Ordinance No. 072-2018 and Mr. Kantor seconded the motion. There was no discussion. On a roll call vote, all members voted in the affirmative and ORDINANCE NO. 072-2018 was adopted.

ORDINANCE NO. 073-2018 was read by title only by President Graham:

“PROVIDING FOR THE ISSUANCE AND SALE OF NOTES IN THE MAXIMUM PRINCIPAL AMOUNT OF \$725,000, IN ANTICIPATION OF THE ISSUANCE OF BONDS, FOR THE PURPOSE OF PROVIDING FUNDS TO PAY THE COSTS OF A COURT-APPROVED FINAL SETTLEMENT OF CLAIMS MADE BY THE CITY IN THE CASE OF THE CITY OF WHITEHALL OHIO ET AL VS OLANDER, THOMAS J ET AL, CASE NO. 2007 EVH 060217 IN FRANKLIN COUNTY MUNICIPAL COURT. ~~AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.~~”

Ms. Elmore then moved to adopt as read Ordinance No. 073-2018 and Ms. Heck seconded the motion. There was no discussion. On a roll call vote, all members voted in the affirmative and ORDINANCE NO. 073-2018 was adopted.

RESOLUTION NO. 031-2018 was read by title only by President Graham:

“AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO SEEK FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE FROM THE OHIO PUBLIC WORKS COMMISSION FOR THE FUNDING OF THE ETNA ROAD AND SEIGMAN STREET IMPROVEMENT PROJECT AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.”

Ms. Elmore then moved to adopt Resolution No. 031-2018 and Mr. Rodriguez seconded the motion. There was no discussion. On a roll call vote, Kantor, no; Heck, no; Morrison, yes; Bailey, yes; Rodriguez, yes; Elmore, yes; Conison, yes; and RESOLUTION NO. 031-2018 was adopted.

SECOND READING:

ORDINANCE NO. 080-2018 was read by title only by President Graham:

“AMENDING 745 VENDORS AND SOLICITORS OF THE CODIFIED ORDINANCES OF THE CITY OF WHITEHALL AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.”

ORDINANCE NO. 081-2018 was read by title only by President Graham:

“AMENDING 161.37(e) TABLE OF AUTHORIZED PERSONNEL TO INCREASE THE AUTHORIZED STRENGTH IN THE OFFICE OF PUBLIC SAFETY, SENIOR ADMINISTRATIVE ASSISTANT AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.”

Ms. Conison introduced and moved to suspend the rules on Ordinance No. 081-2018 and Mr. Kantor seconded the motion. There was no discussion. On a roll call vote, all members voted in the affirmative and ORDINANCE NO. 081-2018 was suspended

Ms. Conison then moved to adopt Ordinance No. 081-2018 and Mr. Kantor seconded the motion. There was no discussion. On a roll call vote, all members voted in the affirmative and ORDINANCE NO. 081-2018 was adopted.

RESOLUTION NO. 033-2018 was read by title only by President Graham:

“TO AUTHORIZE THE DIRECTOR OF DEVELOPMENT TO FILE AN APPLICATION WITH THE MID-OHIO REGIONAL PLANNING COMMISSION FOR THE PURPOSE OF ACQUIRING FUNDS THROUGH THE MORPC-ATTRIBUTABLE FEDERAL FUNDING PROGRAM FOR TRANSPORTATION IMPROVEMENTS.”

Ms. Heck introduced and moved to suspend the rules on Resolution No. 033-2018 and Mr. Morrison seconded the motion. There was no discussion. On a roll call vote, all members voted in the affirmative and RESOLUTION NO. 033-2018 was suspended

Ms. Heck then moved to adopt Resolution No. 033-2018 and Mr. Morrison seconded the motion. There was no discussion. On a roll call vote, all members voted in the affirmative and RESOLUTION NO. 033-2018 was adopted.

FIRST READING:

ORDINANCE NO. 082-2018 was read by title only by President Graham:

“AUTHORIZING THE CREATION OF THE JAG GRANTS FUND (269) AND THE 2017 JAG GRANT EXPENSE ACCOUNT (269-000-50000); ADVANCING THIRTEEN THOUSAND, SEVEN HUNDRED SIXTY-ONE AND NO/100 DOLLARS (\$13,761.00) FROM UNAPPROPRIATED MONEY IN THE LAW ENFORCEMENT TRUST FUND (241) TO THE JAG GRANTS FUND (269); MAKING AN APPROPRIATION OF THIRTEEN THOUSAND, SEVEN HUNDRED SIXTY-ONE AND NO/100 DOLLARS (\$13,761.00) FROM THE JAG GRANTS FUND (269) TO THE FY 2017 JAG GRANT EXPENSE ACCOUNT (269-000-50000) AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.”

Ms. Conison introduced and moved to suspend the rules on Ordinance No. 082-2018 and Ms. Heck seconded the motion. There was no discussion. On a roll call vote, all members voted in the affirmative and ORDINANCE NO. 082-2018 was suspended

Ms. Conison then moved to adopt Ordinance No. 082-2018 and Ms. Heck seconded the motion. There was no discussion. On a roll call vote, all members voted in the affirmative and ORDINANCE NO. 082-2018 was adopted.

ORDINANCE NO. 083-2018 was read by title only by President Graham:

“APPROVING AND MAKING A SUPPLEMENTAL APPROPRIATION IN THE AMOUNT OF SEVENTY- FIVE THOUSAND AND NO/100 DOLLARS (\$75,000.00) FROM UNAPPROPRIATED MONIES IN THE GENERAL FUND 101 TO THE INCOME TAX REFUNDS EXPENSE ACCOUNT (101.350.57000).”

Mr. Rodriguez introduced and moved to suspend the rules on Ordinance No. 083-2018 and Ms. Elmore seconded the motion. There was no discussion. On a roll call vote, all members voted in the affirmative and ORDINANCE NO. 083-2018 was suspended

Ms. Conison then moved to adopt Ordinance No. 083-2018 and Ms. Elmore seconded the motion. There was no discussion. On a roll call vote, all members voted in the affirmative and ORDINANCE NO. 083-2018 was adopted.

ORDINANCE NO. 084-2018 (TITLE ONLY)

“APPROVING AND MAKING A SUPPLEMENTAL APPROPRIATION OF FIFTY THOUSAND FIVE HUNDRED SEVENTY-THREE AND 50/100 DOLLARS (\$50,573.50) FROM UNAPPROPRIATED MONIES IN THE CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT / PROJECT FUND (311) TO THE CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT ACCOUNT (311-000-54000) AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.”

ORDINANCE NO. 085-2018 (Public Safety – 1st reading – ADOPT 9/4/18– Karen/Wes)

“AMENDING 141.06 SENIOR ADMINISTRATIVE ASSISTANT OF THE CODIFIED ORDINANCES AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.”

Ms. Conison introduced and moved to suspend the rules on Ordinance No. 085-2018 and Mr. Kantor seconded the motion. There was no discussion. On a roll call vote, all members voted in the affirmative and ORDINANCE NO. 085-2018 was suspended

Ms. Conison then moved to adopt Ordinance No. 085-2018 and Mr. Kantor seconded the motion. There was no discussion. On a roll call vote, all members voted in the affirmative and ORDINANCE NO. 085-2018 was adopted.

ORDINANCE NO. 086-2018 (*Admin./Fin. – 1st reading – ADOPT 9/4/18– Chris/*)

“AUTHORIZING A SUPPLEMENTAL APPROPRIATION IN THE AMOUNT OF FIFTY THOUSAND AND NO/DOLLARS (\$50,000.00) FROM UNAPPROPRIATED MONIES IN THE GENERAL FUND (101) TO THE PROPERTY ACQUISITION AND MAINTENANCE ACCOUNT (101.950.59850) AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.”

Mr. Rodriguez introduced and moved to suspend the rules on Ordinance No. 086-2018 and Mr. Bailey seconded the motion. There was no discussion. On a roll call vote, all members voted in the affirmative and ORDINANCE NO. 086-2018 was suspended

Mr. Rodriguez then moved to adopt Ordinance No. 086-2018 and Mr. Bailey seconded the motion. There was no discussion. On a roll call vote, all members voted in the affirmative and ORDINANCE NO. 086-2018 was adopted.

RESOLUTION NO. 034-2018 (*Admin./Fin. – 1st reading – ADOPT 9/4/18– Wes/Larry*)

“RESOLVING TO APPROVE “THEN AND NOW” CERTIFICATES AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.”

Mr. Kantor introduced and moved to suspend the rules on Resolution No. 034-2018 and Mr. Morrison seconded the motion. There was no discussion. On a roll call vote, all members voted in the affirmative and RESOLUTION NO. 034-2018 was suspended

Mr. Kantor then moved to adopt Resolution No. 034-2018 and Mr. Morrison seconded the motion. There was no discussion. On a roll call vote, all members voted in the affirmative and RESOLUTION NO. 034-2018 was adopted.

RESOLUTION NO. 035-2018 (*Public Safety – 1st reading – ADOPT 9/4/18– Karen/Lori*)

“AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO APPLY FOR AND ACCEPT THE FEDERAL FY 2017 EDWARD BYRNE MEMORIAL JUSTICE ASSISTANCE GRANT AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.”

Ms. Conison introduced and moved to suspend the rules on Resolution No. 035-2018 and Ms. Elmore seconded the motion. There was no discussion. On a roll call vote, all members voted in the affirmative and RESOLUTION NO. 035-2018 was suspended

Ms. Conison then moved to adopt Resolution No. 035-2018 and Ms. Elmore seconded the motion. There was no discussion. On a roll call vote, all members voted in the affirmative and RESOLUTION NO. 035-2018 was adopted.

POLL PUBLIC

No comments at this time.

COMMUNITY DATE BOARD

Ms. Conison said on October 27 is the Employment for Seniors 5K walk/run, followed by the Halloween walk at 1:00 p.m. at Etna Rd. Elementary. They are still looking for participants for the walk/run. Following the Halloween walk, they are having Citizen of the Year at 4:00 p.m. They are currently accepting nominations. They can be sent to WCAAA13@gamial.com or they can be dropped off at City Hall. WCAAA uses judges outside of Whitehall.

Mayor Maggard said there is also a Health Fair on October 27, at Whitehall Yearling High from 10:00 to 2:00.

Treasurer Quincel said also on October 27 Whitehall Yearling Alumina Association is having a Casino night.

Mr. Kantor said “Go Rams” against Whetstone this Friday.

POLL COUNCIL

Mr. Kantor thanked everyone for coming and said it is nice to have a crowd tonight and for them to share their ideas and concerns. He thanked Attorney Bivens for his statistics, which proves that Whitehall is a safe city. He thanked Ms. Miller from the senior center for her nice comments.

Ms. Heck thanked everyone for sticking it out all the way until the end of the meeting. She thanked Ms. Miller from the senior center for coming and said she really appreciates them working with their after school and summer programs. They especially love learning about the gardens. She thanked Attorney Bivens for having her come observe drug court today. She thanked Mayor Maggard for applying and moving forward on the grant. She commented on how nice it was to see all the back work that goes into to the court and how much everyone is pulling for people to be successful.

Mr. Morrison thanked everyone for coming and for participating in this presentation. The presentation was to inform people and to show a concept. If it is not accepted or voted on, then they do not even have an opportunity to possibly move forward if we want to. If they receive the grant, then we can have more discussion, but if we vote it down, we don't even have the opportunity.

Mr. Bailey thanked everyone for coming out and for sharing their thoughts and comments. He appreciates his fellow council members for sharing their comments and he agrees with many of their views.

Mr. Rodriguez thanked everyone for coming out. He thanked Ms. Miller for her comments regarding the senior center and Attorney Bivens on the updates on Rose's parking lot.

Ms. Elmore thanked everyone for coming out this evening. She thanked Director Woodruff on the economic development and the changes that we look forward to seeing. She commended council and administration on finding where there is money available to approve the city. That is what is going to allow us to keep our property values the same or increase. It also allows people to be proud of Whitehall. There are many cities around us going downhill because they do not have a

forward thinking group that sees what needs to be done. The planning and the things that are going to encourage us to make our city the best it can be. She thanked Mayor Maggard and her team along with council. She thanked Ms. Miller from the Senior Center for everything she does and encouraged everyone who is over 55 years old to go to the Senior Center and see all the activities.

Ms. Conison thanked everyone for coming out tonight. She is thrilled that residents received letters regarding the Etna Rd. project and they came to get information. They try to do their best to try to figure out what is best for their citizens. She loves our Senior Citizen Center and she is thankful that she works for an organization that does things for seniors. Their motto is "Thrive after Fifty-Five". She would love to have them come visit her in Delaware and they can share different ideas.

President Graham thanked everyone for coming. He explained that grants are both free money and taxpayer's money. The city would be negligent if they were not applying for every eligible grant. Grants help with so many different aspects of the city; which include, new police officers, new K9 unit, paving streets, curbs and gutter, etc. To receive grants it allows the city to budget in a financially prudent manner. He hopes to see everyone at the next meeting.

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 8:44 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Mary Freimark, Clerk of Council

APPROVED: _____, 2018.

Jim Graham, Council President