

**MINUTES OF COUNCIL MEETING
November 24, 2020**

The Regular Meeting of City Council was called to order at 7:30 p.m. with Mayor Barilla presiding. The meeting was opened with the Pledge of Allegiance followed by Roll Call.

Present were Council members Paul, Petrella, Timmons, Villamagna, Anyabwile, Dressel, & Hahn.

Also present; City Manager Jim Mavromatis, Law Director Costa Mastros, Police Chief Bill McCafferty, Engineering Director Mike Dolak, Finance Director Dave Lewis, Linda Harris from the Herald Star, & WTOV9.

APPROVAL/CORRECTION OF MINUTES

Minutes were approved by Mrs. Hahn for November 17, 2020. Second by Mr. Timmons. Roll Call. All Ayes; Paul. So moved minutes accepted declared Mayor Barilla.

PETITIONS/COMMUNICATIONS

Mayor Barilla – “Petitions and Communications Madame Clerk?”

Mrs. Haley – “Nothing this evening.”

Mayor Barilla – “Thank you Madam Clerk.”

ORDINANCES AND RESOLUTIONS

NO. 2020-71 – BY THE SERVICE COMMITTEE – 3rd reading

Messrs. Dressel, Timmons, Anyabwile

AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING AND DIRECTING THE CITY MANAGER TO ENTER INTO A CONTRACT WITH THE OHIO DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION FOR THE CITY OF STEUBENVILLE WASHINGTON STREET/SUNSET BLVD. RESURFACING PROJECT JEF-43-(0.00) (1.06), PID 112678, CITY PROJECT NO. 2020-142 AND PERFORM ALL NECESSARY FUNCTIONS THAT MAY BE REQUIRED TO COMPLETE SAID PROJECT.

Mayor Barilla – “You’ve heard the third and final reading of Ordinance No. 2020-71. If there is anyone wishing to speak on Ordinance No. 2020-71 please step forward and state your name and address.”

Mr. Dressel called question. Roll Call. All ayes. So moved Ordinance No. 2020-71 is duly adopted declared Mayor Barilla. This ordinance will go into effect on December 24, 2020.

NO. 2020-72 – BY THE FINANCE COMMITTEE – 3rd reading

Messrs. Paul, Dressel, Timmons

AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING AND DIRECTING PAYMENT TO THE CITY MANAGER FOR A 27TH PAY PERIOD DUE TO CALENDAR ISSUES IN 2020.

Mayor Barilla – “You’ve heard the third and final reading of Ordinance No. 2020-72. If there is anyone wishing to speak on Ordinance No. 2020-72 please step forward and state your name and address.”

Mr. Dressel called question. Roll Call. All ayes. So moved Ordinance No. 2020-72 is duly adopted declared Mayor Barilla. This ordinance will go into effect on December 24, 2020.

NO. 2020-80 – BY THE PLANNING COMMITTEE – 2nd reading

Messrs. Villamagna, Hahn, Petrella

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING ORDINANCE NO. 1992-20, AS AMENDED, THE ZONING ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF STEUBENVILLE, OHIO BY REZONING PROPERTY OWNED BY THE DIOCESE OF STEUBENVILLE AND BROTHERS OF THE IMMACULATE HEART OF MARY, LOCATED AT 609 NORTH 7TH STREET, STEUBENVILLE, OHIO FROM “R-2” MEDIUM DENSITY RESIDENTIAL DISTRICT TO “I-1” GENERAL COMMERCIAL AND INDUSTRIAL DISTRICT.

NO. 2020-82 – BY THE SERVICE COMMITTEE – 1st reading

Messrs. Dressel, Timmons, Anyabwile

AN ORDINANCE PROVIDING FOR THE ADVERTISEMENT, BIDDING AND SALE OF VARIOUS VEHICLES AND ONE CARGO TRAILER FROM THE WATER DEPARTMENT.

REPORT OF COMMITTEES

Mr. Paul – “Yes you’re Honor. I have two ordinances and two resolutions.” Mr. Paul sun shined the following; An ordinance amending section 191.04(a) of Chapter 191 of the codified ordinances of the City of Steubenville, Ohio by providing for continuing the wage and profit tax of the City of Steubenville, Ohio from one percent (1%) to one and three-tenths percent (1-3/10%) per year, for a five (5) year period, allocating the additional three-tenths (3/10_ of the one percent (1%) increase to be used, eighty-five percent (85%) for salaries for

municipal employees and fifteen percent (15%) for street improvements, to be placed on the ballot on the primary election on May 4, 2021 for a vote by the people upon said ordinance, authorizing the Board of Elections of Jefferson County, Ohio to conduct said election. An ordinance amending section 191.04(a) of Chapter 191 of the codified ordinances of the City of Steubenville, Ohio by providing for continuing the wage and profit of tax of the City of Steubenville, Ohio, from one and three-tenths percent (1-3/10%) to two percent (2%) for an additional five (5) year period, allocating the additional seven-tenths (7/10) of the one percent (1%) increase to be used as follows; five hundred thousand dollars (\$500,000.00) to street improvements; three hundred thousand dollars (\$300,000.00) for capital improvements and equipment; one hundred thousand dollars (\$100,000.00) for Parks and Recreation capital improvements and the balance to the general fund, to be placed on the ballot on the primary election on May 4, 2021 for a vote by the people upon said ordinance, authorizing the Board of Elections of Jefferson County, Ohio to conduct said election. A resolution submitting the question of the continuing of the seventh-tenths of one percent (.7%) municipal income tax levy for an additional five (5) year period to the electors of the City of Steubenville, Ohio, for their approval or rejection at a primary election to be held within the City of Steubenville on May 4, 2021 such levy being for the purpose of paying for street improvements, capital improvements and equipment, parks and recreation capital improvements and general fund. A resolution submitting the question of the continuing of the three-tenths of one percent (.3%) municipal income tax levy for an additional five (5) year period, to the electors of the City of Steubenville, Ohio, for their approval or rejection at a primary election to be held within the City of Steubenville on May 4, 2021, such levy being for the purpose of paying salaries of municipal employees and making street improvements. “And Dave Lewis is here tonight and all this is, is a continuation of 7/10 and 3/10 funds we have every five years and we got to get it on the board. There’s no emergency. We’ll have three readings I think in January Dave it’ll be ready; the third reading? And we have 90 days prior to the May 4th election so go ahead Dave.”

Dave Lewis – “Okay so yeah the readings will all be in December. The last third reading will be December 15th effective January 15th that’ll give Costa a couple weeks to get everything filed with the Board of Elections and everything has got to be filed early February; 90 days before the election so we’re right on time for this one.”

Mr. Paul – “It’s nothing new.”

Mr. Petrella – No Report

Mr. Timmons – No Report

Mr. Villamagna – No Report

Mrs. Anyabwile – No Report

Mr. Dressel – No Report

Mrs. Hahn – “Yeah so people have been signing up for this Breakfast with Santa the drive-thru pickup of breakfast. There are 10 spots left and Monday is the last day that people can sign up so anytime this week up through next Monday. So there are still 10 spots left so I hope people take advantage of that and then they’ll give you all the details. That’s the only item.”

REPORT OF ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICERS

Mr. Mavromatis – “I wanted to give an update to Council our current numbers for the County are 1,059. We had an increase of 47 and also the Health Department has a new Health Commissioner and its Andrew Henry who’s coming from Trinity Hospital apparently. Again the numbers are going up there’s no definitive answer why; based on they think it’s large gatherings, weddings, hosted parties, where gatherings are and again these are just things people aren’t watching; they should be paying attention, wearing the masks, and social distancing. All of these things are factors but again I wanted to make sure Council had these numbers. I just received these about a half an hour ago so other than that that’s all I have to give to Council right now. Thank you Mayor.”

Mr. Mastros – “Just one thing for the group earlier this morning I sent you all an email regarding the assistance in the funding of the Mental Health Court apparently the County Commissioners have agreed to assist the funding of that court in the amount of \$11,000 which is great. Every little bit helps. They do want a formal contract and formal presentation of that contract to them so I talked to Judge Mascio yesterday and told him I’d run this contract through Council; it’s just to have a voice vote to authorize the City Manager to execute the contract under (inaudible) has no issues with it. So it’s money (all inaudible) and that’s a good thing. However I ask that someone make a motion to authorize the City Manager to sign the funding agreement with the County Commissioners for the Mental Health Court and then we’ll get with the City Manager to sign that and Judge Mascio is going to present that to the Commissioners at some point very soon.”

Mr. Paul made a motion to authorize the City Manager to sign the funding agreement with the County Commissioners for the Mental Health Court. Second by Mrs. Hahn. Roll Call. All ayes. So moved motion carried declared Mayor Barilla.

MISCELLANEOUS REPORTS

Mayor Barilla – “We’ll now move onto miscellaneous reports and signing in this evening is Mr. Petrella.”

Mr. Petrella wished everyone a Happy and Healthy Thanksgiving.

PUBLIC FORUM

Mayor Barilla – “We have one signing in under public forum tonight and signing in this evening is Mr. Joe Scouscugoza.”

Joe Scouscugoza gave a brief discussion on the landfill that’s near the city. He also answered any questions and concerns that Council had about the landfill.

Mr. Paul moved to adjourn. Second by Mr. Timmons. Roll call. All ayes. So moved; meeting adjourned declared Mayor Barilla.

ATTEST: _____
CLERK OF COUNCIL

APPROVED: _____
MAYOR