

**MINUTES OF REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING  
May 18, 2021**

The 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 Timmons, Villamagna, Anyabwile, Dressel, Hahn, Paul, & Petrella.

Also present; City Manager Jim Mavromatis, Law Director Costa Mastros, Finance Director Dave Lewis, Parks and Recreation Director Lori Fetherolf, Linda Harris from the Herald Star, & WTOV9.

**APPROVAL/CORRECTION OF MINUTES**

Minutes were approved by Mrs. Hahn for May 11, 2021. Second by Mr. Timmons. Roll Call. All Ayes. 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. 2021-34 – BY THE PLANNING COMMITTEE – 2<sup>nd</sup> reading**

**Messrs. Villamagna, Hahn, Petrella**

**A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER TO ENTER INTO CONTRACT WITH THE OHIO REGIONAL DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION FOR ADMINISTRATION SERVICES FOR THE 2021 COMMUNITY HOUSING IMPACT AND PRESERVATION (CHIP) PROGRAM AND AUTHORIZING THE SUBMISSION OF A PY 2021 COMMUNITY HOUSING IMPACT AND PRESERVATION (CHIP) PROGRAM APPLICATION WITH THE STATE OF OHIO ON BEHALF OF THE CITY OF STEUBENVILLE.**

**NO. 2021-35 – BY THE PLANNING COMMITTEE – 2<sup>nd</sup> 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 BETH AND PATRICK WARNER, LOCATED AT 117 S. 7<sup>TH</sup> STREET, STEUBENVILLE, OHIO, FROM “R-3” HIGH DENSITY RESIDENTIAL DISTRICT TO “I-1” GENERAL COMMERCIAL AND INDUSTRIAL DISTRICT.**

**NO. 2021-39 – BY THE BUILDING AND GROUNDS COMMITTEE – 1<sup>st</sup> reading**

**Messrs. Paul, Villamagna, Dressel**

**AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER TO ADVERTISE FOR BIDS FOR THE PUBLIC WORKS BUILDING ROOF REPLACEMENT PROJECT, SUBJECT TO THE RIGHT TO REJECT ANY AND ALL BIDS AND REBIDDING THAT MAY BE REQUIRED, AUTHORIZING THE ENTERING INTO SAID CONTRACT WITH THE LOWEST MOST QUALIFIED BIDDER, AUTHORIZING PAYMENT THEREFORE AND TO EXECUTE CONTRACTS AS REQUIRED.**

**NO. 2021-40 – BY THE PARKS AND RECREATION COMMITTEE – 1<sup>st</sup> reading**

**Messrs. Hahn, Timmons, Petrella**

**A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE FILING OF AN APPLICATION FOR FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE FOR PUBLIC RECREATION PURPOSES THROUGH THE STATE OF OHIO NATUREWORKS PROGRAM.**

Mrs. Hahn made a motion to suspend the rules of three readings and to have the second and third reading of Ordinance No. 2021-40 read tonight. Second by Mr. Paul. Roll Call. All ayes. So moved motion carried declared Mayor Barilla.

Mrs. Hahn made a motion to have the second and third reading of Ordinance No. 2021-40 be read as an emergency. Second by Mr. Dressel. Roll Call. All ayes. So moved motion carried declared Mayor Barilla.

Mrs. Haley read the second and third reading of Ordinance No. 2021-40 as an emergency.

Mayor Barilla – “You’ve heard the final readings of Ordinance No. 2021-40. If there is anyone wishing to speak on Ordinance No. 2021-40 please step forward and state your name and address.”

Mrs. Hahn called question. Roll Call. All ayes. So moved Ordinance No. 2021-40 is duly adopted declared Mayor Barilla. This ordinance will go into effect upon the Mayor’s signature.

## **NO. 2021-41 – BY THE FINANCE COMMITTEE**

**Messrs. Paul, Dressel, Timmons**

### **AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE EXISTING TABLE OF ORGANIZATION (ORDINANCE NO. 2019-96) AS IT RELATES TO THE PARKS AND RECREATION DEPARTMENT ONLY AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.**

Mayor Barilla – “You’ve heard the reading of Ordinance No. 2021-41. If there is anyone wishing to speak on Ordinance No. 2021-41 please step forward and state your name and address.”

Mr. Paul called question. Roll Call. All ayes. So moved Ordinance No. 2021-41 is duly adopted declared Mayor Barilla. This ordinance will go into effect upon the Mayor’s signature.

### **REPORT OF COMMITTEES**

Mr. Timmons – No Report

Mr. Villamagna – No Report

Mrs. Anyabwile – No Report

Mr. Dressel – “Yes two quick things.” Mr. Dressel called for a Service Committee Meeting on June 15, 2021 at 7:00 p.m. Also Mr. Dressel sun shined a resolution declaring May 16 – May 22, 2021 as National Public Works Week. Second by Mr. Villamagna.

Mrs. Hahn – No Report

Mr. Paul – “Yes you’re Honor I have one item for tonight.” Mr. Paul made a motion to go into executive session following public forum to discuss personnel within the city and all three union contracts. Second by Mr. Timmons. Roll Call. All ayes. So moved motion carried declared Mayor Barilla.

Mr. Petrella – “Yes you’re Honor.” Mr. Petrella sun shined a resolution declaring the week of May 16 – May 21, 2021 as National EMS Week. Second by Mr. Villamagna. “This Council one year ago this month voted to establish the Steubenville EMS with the foresight to fill that gap; that need that really needed to be filled and servicing the citizens in the City of Steubenville.

### **REPORT OF ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICERS**

Mr. Mavromatis – “Thank you Mayor. Tomorrow at the main library on S. 4<sup>th</sup> St. the Health Dept. is going to have a vaccine set up there from 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. I gave a copy to all of Council so they can (all inaudible) the following day Thursday they’ll have it at the west end branch on Mall Drive but what I did do is I called JMHA and advised the Executive Director there so they can let the units down there know that they’ll be giving the vaccines out there. It’s a short walk that they can come up there. I gave a copy to the Herald Star I think News 9 has it also. I talked to President of the Board today they are trying to get as many of these vaccines stations as they can throughout; they are responsible for the whole County. They are also looking to do another one here on First Friday in conjunction with it so we’ll support them on that. They had very little input but again I think advertisement was really not out like it should’ve been but with this here between the news media, Council is aware of it, JMHA properties should’ve been notified of this because I called yesterday so this gives a chance to the people that really can’t drive somewhere they can walk right up there and get the vaccine.”

Mr. Villamagna – “Jim. I see that the Johnson & Johnson; do we have the other vaccines available still with the Health Dept.?”

Mr. Mavromatis – “We do but one thing that they found again a lot of people don’t want to do the two doses because they got to come back again. This is a onetime shot and they are good to good.”

Mr. Villamagna – “This is all that will be offered?”

Mr. Mavromatis – “Right now this is Johnson & Johnson for all these sites right now. So that’s where we’re at. As Mr. Paul said I want to talk to Council tonight about our three unions and a couple personnel issues so that’s why we’re going into executive session. I’ll wait until then to talk to Council on these other matters. Thank you.”

Mr. Mastro – “One thing Mr. Mayor. I’ll make preference to my remark saying I apologize to everybody here. So we are working through the real estate agreement with Franciscan; we have about four lawyers (inaudible) working on this; when you get more than one lawyer working on something we have a way to make things come to a grinding halt. But we’re all working through it everybody knows that I would like to get this done and passed on Tuesday. We’re all working towards that goal but it’s just a difference of ideas of how to make sure we get this all done right and that’s okay. Nothing wrong with that. So please don’t be shocked if I ask you next week to table it one more week. That’s not my goal I don’t want that but it might happen. I’m going to try and go down and get the deeds preapproved prior to Tuesday so all the lawyers can look at them; we’re working through the language again just the best way to do it not that there is a controversy it’s just the best way to do it. We all have different thoughts because we are reserving certain rights in that property and we want to make sure that we get it right so please don’t be shocked if we ask you to table it one more week. Thank you.”

Mr. Villamagna – “Mayor? I have a question for Mr. Mastro and Dave Lewis. Has the lines of communication been open with this TIF with Franciscan University?”

Dave Lewis – “I had a call with the VP of Finance last week; we had a discussion for about a half an hour. They are going to reach out to some of the vendors to try and get us the information.”

Mr. Villamagna – “So there is cooperation going on between...”  
Dave Lewis – “Yeah (inaudible) was cooperative.”

**MISCELLANEOUS REPORTS**

**PUBLIC FORUM**

Council Chambers were cleared for Executive Session.  
Council Chambers were reopened for adjournment.

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