

The Regular Council Meeting was convened on Monday, January 25, 2021 at 7:00 PM by Dennis McGlone, President of Council, followed by the Pledge of Allegiance and a moment of silent reflection.

Roll Call:

Jack Gainer Scott Pelot

Dan Karant
Paul Tousley
Charlotte Whipkey

Joe Kernan

Dennis McGlone

Also Present: Robert Fowler

Pam Keener
Justin Markey
Kerry Macomber

COMMUNICATIONS FROM THE PUBLIC - None

COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE-Reports from Standing Committees

A. 2021 Boards and Commission Appointments – Mr. Pelot explained this resolution is to appoint new and existing board members to the Parks Board, Board of Zoning Appeals, Tax Incentive Review, and the Income Tax Board of Appeals as outlined in Attachment A. Mr. Gainer asked about the other three vacancies and Mr. Fowler replied that the Mayor is still soliciting people to volunteer. Mr. Fowler reminded all that he and Mr. Markey serve on two boards and would vacate those positions should a resident be interested. Mr. Marino is on the BZA already as an alternate and they are looking to have him take over the Ward 3 position as it is easier to fill an At-Large position. Mr. Karant offered that he has contacted someone to serve in the BZA At-Large position and is just waiting to hear back. Mr. Tousley asked if the Parks and Cemetery Board is Ward specific and Mr. Fowler said no, the position is open to all residents although we try to spread it out so everyone is not from the same ward. Mr. Fowler added he believed the BZA and Planning are the only ones that are ward specific. Mr. Pelot asked if there was a deadline and Mr. Fowler noted that the terms begin March 1 and requested this ordinance be passed in February. Mr. Pelot moved to add Res. No. 20-2021 to tonight's agenda; seconded by Mr. McGlone.

Roll Call:

Yes: Pelot, McGlone, Gainer, Karant, Tousley, Whipkey, Kernan

No: None

Motion passed unanimously.

B. Transfer Ordinance – Mr. Kernan noted this ordinance was to transfer monies from the General Fund into various funds as depicted in Attachment A. He asked if there was urgency and Ms. Keener noted it could be passed on February 8, 2021. Mr. Kernan moved to add Ord. No. 21-2021 to tonight's agenda; Seconded by Ms. Whipkey.

Roll Call:

Yes: Kernan, Whipkey, Gainer, Karant, Tousley, Pelot, McGlone

No: None

Motion passed unanimously.

CONSIDERATION OF MINUTES

Minutes of Organizational Meeting of January 4, 2021 were accepted as submitted. Minutes of Committee Work Session of January 4, 2021 were accepted as submitted. Minutes of Regular Council Meeting of January 11, 2021 were accepted as submitted. Minutes of Committee Work Session of January 19, 2021 (deferred)

REPORTS FROM OFFICERS, BOARDS AND COMMISSIONS

Mr. Fowler informed Council that there will be a meeting with Cavanaugh this week regarding the Wooster Road Storm Sewer project and the traffic should be maintained throughout the project. Mr. Fowler noted the Columbia Woods Walking Trail project has been staked out and construction should begin immediately. Mr. Fowler advised Council they will receive a document next week that pertains to the Property Maintenance Code and Mr. Braman will be included in the upcoming Committee Work Session. Mr. Fowler praised Mr. Markey for connecting the Norton Broadcast Icon on the City Website to the City of Norton You Tube so residents can now connect more easily to the live recordings of the meetings.

INTRODUCTION OF NEW LEGISLATION Ord. No. 7-2021

Ms. Whipkey introduced Ord. No. 7-2021 for its first reading and asked the Clerk to read it:

AN ORDINANCE TO AUTHORIZE THE ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER TO ENTER INTO AN INTERGOVERNMENTAL AGREEMENT WITH ODOT FOR THE EXTENSION OF WATER SERVICES.

First reading only. Ms. Whipkey noted this is the agreement between ODOT and the City for the waterline and she asked about the map depicting the area. Mr. Fowler promised to provide the map.

Ord. No. 8-2021

Mr. Kernan introduced Ord. No. 8-2021 for its first reading and asked the Clerk to read it:

AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER TO ENTER INTO AN AGREEMENT WITH ENGINEERING ASSOCIATES FOR PROFESSIONAL SERVICES IN CONNECTION WITH THE SHELLHART EXT IN AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$42,000.

First reading only.

Ord. No. 9-2021

Mr. Kernan introduced Ord. No. 9-2021 for its first reading and asked the Clerk to read it:

AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER TO ENTER INTO AN AGREEMENT WITH ENGINEERING ASSOCIATES FOR PROFESSIONAL SERVICES IN CONNECTION WITH THE SHELLHART EXT IN AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$57.600.

First reading only.

Ord. No. 10-2021

Mr. Kernan introduced Ord. No. 10-2021 for its first reading and asked the Clerk to read it:

AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER TO ENTER INTO AN AGREEMENT WITH GPD GROUP FOR PROFESSIONAL SERVICES IN CONNECTION WITH THE CONSTRUCTION MANAGEMENT AND INSPECTION OF THE 2021 ROAD PROGRAM IN AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$28,000. First reading only.

Ord. No. 11-2021

Mr. Kernan introduced Ord. No. 11-2021 for its first reading and asked the Clerk to read it:

AN ORDINANCE ACCEPTING THE BID OF BARBICAS CONSTRUCTION CO. INC IN AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$1,100,000 FOR THE 2021 STREET RESURFACING PROGRAM; AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

First reading only. Ms. Whipkey noted that she has received compliments from several residents regarding this year's Road Program.

Ord. No. 12-2021

Mr. Kernan introduced Ord. No. 12-2021 for its first reading and asked the Clerk to read it:

AN ORDINANCE ACCEPTING THE BID OF LOCKHART CONSTRUCTION CO. IN AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$650,000 FOR THE 2020 WATERLINE IMPROVEMENTS; AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY. First reading only.

Ord. No. 13-2021

Mr. Kernan introduced Ord. No. 13-2021 for its first reading and asked the Clerk to read it:

AN ORDINANCE ACCEPTING THE BID OF LOCKHART CONSTRUCTION CO. IN AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$2,200,000 FOR THE SR 261 SOUTH LOOP IMPROVEMENTS; AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY. First reading only.

Ord. No. 14-2021

Mr. Kernan introduced Ord. No. 14-2021 for its first reading and asked the Clerk to read it:

AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTION AND DELIVERY OF AN AGREEMENT WITH GARDNERSERVICE COMPANY FOR THE PURCHASE OF AIR IONIZER EQUIPMENT IN THE AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$28,629; AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

First reading only.

Ord. No. 15-2021

Mr. Pelot introduced Ord. No. 15-2021 for its first reading and asked the Clerk to read it:

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING SECTION 1402.01 OF THE CODIFIED ORDINANCES. First reading only.

Ord. No. 16-2021

Mr. Pelot introduced Ord. No. 16-2021 for its first reading and asked the Clerk to read it: Page 3 of 6

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING SECTION 1404 OF THE CODIFIED ORDINANCES.

First reading only. Mr. Gainer noted that all of these have to do with the Property Maintenance Code and Mr. Pelot agreed said these ordinances will be on the upcoming agendas for discussion and are meant to keep the code up-to-date with state standards.

Ord. No. 17-2021

Mr. Pelot introduced Ord. No. 17-2021 for its first reading and asked the Clerk to read it:

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING SECTION 1406.01 OF THE CODIFIED ORDINANCES. First reading only.

Ord. No. 18-2021

Mr. Pelot introduced Ord. No. 18-2021 for its first reading and asked the Clerk to read it:

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING SECTION 1410.01 OF THE CODIFIED ORDINANCES. First reading only.

Ord. No. 19-2021

Mr. Gainer introduced Ord. No. 19-2021 for its first reading and asked the Clerk to read it:

AN ORDINANCE CREATING A TAX INCREMENT FINANCING INCENTIVE DISTRICT PURSUANT TO SECTIONS 5709.40, 5709.42, AND 5709.43 OF THE REVISED CODE; AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

First reading only. Mr. Gainer noted this is for the Clark Mill Road development.

Res. No. 20-2021

Mr. Pelot introduced Res. No. 20-2021 for its first reading and asked the Clerk to read it:

A RESOLUTION CONFIRMING THE APPOINTMENT AND REAPPOINTMENT OF VARIOUS INDIVIDUALS TO VARIOUS BOARDS AND COMMISSIONS; AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

First reading only. Mr. Pelot noted this was added to the Agenda during Committee of the Whole.

Ord. No. 21-2021

Mr. Kernan introduced Ord. No. 21-2021 for its first reading and asked the Clerk to read it:

AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING A TRANSFER FROM THE GENERAL FUND FOR THE CALENDAR YEAR 2021, AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY. First reading only.

INTRODUCTION OF PRIOR LEGISLATION Ord. No. 1-2021

Mr. Gainer offered Ord. No. 01-2021 for its second reading and asked the Clerk to read it:

AN ORDINANCE ADOPTING THE ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT PLAN FOR THE CLARKMILL INCENTIVE DISTRICT; AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY. Second reading only.

Ord. No. 2-2021

Mr. McGlone offered Ord. No. 02-2021 for its second reading and asked the Clerk to read it:

AN ORDINANCE ACCEPTING THE PETITION FOR ANNEXATION OF LAND BY THE PROPERTY OWNERS IN THE JGB ANNEXATION AREA, LOCATED IN CHIPPEWA TOWNSHIP, WAYNE COUNTY, TO THE CITY OF NORTON; AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

Mr. McGlone noted we have 60 days in which to approve this and moved to waive third reading: seconded by Mr. Karant

Roll Call:

Yes:

McGlone, Karant, Gainer, Tousley, Pelot, Whipkey, Kernan

No: None

Motion passed: 7 - 0.

Mr. McGlone moved to adopt Ord. No. 2-2021; seconded by Mr. Karant.

Roll Call:

Yes:

McGlone, Karant, Gainer, Tousley, Pelot, Whipkey, Kernan

No: None

Motion passed: 7 - 0.

Res. No. 4-2021

Mr. Kernan offered Res. No. 04-2021 for its second reading and asked the Clerk to read it:

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE SUBMISSION OF AN APPLICATION TO THE OHIO PUBLIC WORKS COMMISSION FOR THE FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE THROUGH THE STATE CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM AND THE LOCAL TRANSPORTATION IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM FOR FOUR PROJECTS IN THE CITY OF NORTON, AND COMMITTING TO PROVIDE THE LOCAL SHARE FOR EACH PROJECT; AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

Second reading only.

Res. No. 5-2021

Mr. Kernan offered Res. No. 05-2021 for its second reading and asked the Clerk to read it:

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO APPLY FOR FEDERAL SURFACE TRANSPORTATION BLOCK GRANT (STBG) RESURFACING FUNDS PROGRAMMED BY THE AKRON METROPOLITAN AREA TRANSPORTATION STUDY TO IMPROVE CERTAIN STREETS.

Second reading only.

PUBLIC SERVICE ANNOUNCEMENTS

Mr. Fowler announced that tentatively scheduled for February 8, 2021, State Route 21 South starting at the Copley border and extending southward 3.8 miles will be down to one lane while tree trimming is being done.

Ms. Whipkey asked about the status of the letter to the Governor concerning vaccinations for the police force. Ms. Keener agreed to scan the document to Mr. Pelot for his signature and then it will be ready to send.

ADJOURN:

There being no other business to come before the Committee Work Session, the meeting was adjourned at 7:25 PM.

Dennis McGlone, President of Council

I, Kerry Macomber, Clerk of Council for the City of Norton, do hereby certify that the foregoing minutes were approved at a Regular Council Meeting held on Foliage 9, 2021

Kerry Macomber, Clerk of Council

Note: these minutes are not verbatim
Original signed and approved minutes are on file with Clerk of Council.