



**NORTON CITY COUNCIL
REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING
MONDAY, JANUARY 28, 2019**

The Regular Council Meeting was convened on Monday, January 28, 2019 at 7:00 PM in the Council Chambers of the Safety Administration Building. The meeting was called to order by Joe Kernan, President of Council, followed by the Pledge of Allegiance and a moment of silent reflection.

Roll Call:	Jack Gainer	Also Present:
	Dennis McGlone	Mayor Zita
	Dan Karant	Ron Messner
	Paul Tousley	Robert Fowler
	Charlotte Whipkey	Justin Markey
	Scott Pelot	Kerry Macomber
	Joe Kernan	

COMMUNICATIONS FROM THE PUBLIC

Michael Meden, formerly of 3177 Cleveland Massillon Road. Mr. Meden stated that he no longer lives in Norton and wanted to let Council know that he hopes that the project going in where he used to live will be an asset to the community and moves the Loyal Oak area in the right direction. He will not miss listening to the street noise on Cleveland Massillon Road or the Barberton Speedway on Saturday nights, he will not miss the light pollution, and he will not miss living in a 150 year old home that required constant upkeep. He will miss the friends and people of Norton. He has enjoyed working with the City on projects; the Mayor’s Administration and the Police Department, both current and prior administrations, have helped him over the years. Even though he has left, he plans on staying active and will be happy to help out whenever he can as he will always be from Norton. He came tonight to thank everyone and that he wishes everyone well.

COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE-Reports from Standing Committees

Mr. Kernan noted the City of Norton Fire Division is requesting two representatives to serve as Board Members on the Volunteer Fire Fighters’ Dependents’ Fund for 2019. Mr. Markey confirmed there was no need for any formal resolution of appointment. Mr. Pelot and Mr. Tousley have served on this Board in the past. They both agreed to continue serving. There was a unanimous verbal vote of Council in favor of the appointments.

Ms. Whipkey stated she would like to amend Ord No. 003-2019 the grant application from the Recreational Trail Program through Ohio Department of Natural Resources as the language limiting the amount to \$150,000 has been added. Mr. Kernan stated that is the upper limit on what they can apply for. Mr. Pelot seconded.

Roll Call: Yes: Whipkey, Pelot, Gainer, McGlone, Karant, Tousley, Kernan
No: None

Motion passed 7-0.

Ms. Whipkey asked Mr. Fowler if the total cost is \$307,000, would this grant pay for half the entire cost? Mr. Fowler said he believes the grant we are applying for is an 80/20 split with \$150,000 maximum; so we would come up with \$38,000 - \$40,000 to complete the entire project.

Ms. Whipkey stated that she misspoke last week when she said the City had 21 road miles to care for, such as snow plowing and other maintenance. It is really 21 square miles. In reality the City has 284 lane miles of roadway to maintain. She offered the following comparisons that she had obtained from Mr. Hess:

- ODOT District 4 averages 37 lane miles per truck
- Barberton averages 25 lane miles per truck
- Wadsworth averages 35 lane miles per truck
- Copley averages 23 lane miles per truck
- Norton averages 57 lane miles per truck and is based on 5 trucks

The City of Norton's average is 57 lane miles per truck, which is double the average.

Average lane miles combined: 30 lane miles per truck for the rest of the cities. She also explained that a lane mile can be found by multiplying the continual driving lanes and center line lane mileage stating that this would include all lanes – including turn lanes. She said that our guys did a wonderful, excellent job with the conditions they work with.

Mr. Pelot asked when the new plow truck will be here. Mr. Fowler said the Freightliner Chassis paperwork was signed today and they are hoping three to four weeks, possibly six weeks. Mr. Pelot asked if that will give us six trucks in rotation. Mr. Fowler said the ultimate goal is to have eight with eight drivers but the catch up is slow and methodical by rotating one each year. Right now we only have four; next year we will have six.

CONSIDERATION OF MINUTES

Minutes of Regular Council Meeting of January 14, 2019 were approved as submitted.

Minutes of Committee Work Session of January 22, 2019 were approved as submitted.

REPORTS FROM OFFICERS, BOARDS AND COMMISSIONS - None

PUBLIC HEARINGS – 7:15 p.m.

Res No. 008-2019 Application for Renewal of Agricultural District – 4044 Summit Road – Owner: Windfall Reserve LLC (Bessemer Farms) – Mr. Kernan opened the Public Hearing and read Res No. 008-2019. Mr. Kernan asked the Clerk to certify the legal notice was published in the Barberton Herald on January 17, 2019 and Ms. Macomber so certified. Mr. Kernan asked if there was anyone to speak in favor of the said renewal twice. Jim Lino, 5058 Grove Avenue, Norton OH, asked if this was a renewal for agricultural because he wanted to be sure it would remain agricultural. He stated he was raised in this city and has seen a lot of the farmland in the area leave. He is in favor of keeping this in agricultural. Ms. Whipkey stated that she agreed with Mr. Lino. She is always in favor of seeing our agricultural land and also misses seeing the farms. Mr. Kernan asked again if anyone wishes to speak for the renewal. Hearing none, he asked three times if anyone wishes to speak against the renewal. Hearing none, he closed the Public Hearing.

Res No. 009-2019 Application for Renewal of Agricultural District – 4117 Greenwich Road – Owner: Charles Seiberling and Dottie Dunham. Mr. Kernan opened the Public Hearing by reading

Res No. 009-2019. Mr. Kernan asked the Clerk to certify the legal notice was published in the Barberton Herald on January 17, 2019 and Ms. Macomber so certified. Mr. Kernan asked if there was anyone who wishes to speak for the renewal. Mr. Jim Lino, 5058 Grove Avenue, Norton OH, spoke in favor of keeping this property in an agricultural district. Mr. Kernan asked twice more if anyone wished to speak for the renewal. Hearing none; Mr. Kernan asked three (3) times if there was anyone who wishes to speak against the renewal. Hearing none, he closed the Public Hearing.

Ms. Whipkey asked Mr. Markey asked if these could be done by Consent Agenda. Mr. Markey stated not the Public Hearings, but the Resolutions can be done together on a Consent Agenda.

INTRODUCTION OF NEW LEGISLATION

Ord No. 005-2019

Ms. Whipkey offered Ord No. 005-2019 for its first reading and asked the Clerk to read it:

AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND SECTION 408.04 OF THE CODIFIED ORDINANCES OF THE CITY OF NORTON, OHIO.

First reading only.

Ord No. 006-2019

Ms. Whipkey offered Ord No. 006-2019 for its first reading and asked the Clerk to read it:

AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND THE APPROPRIATIONS FOR THE CURRENT EXPENSES OF THE CITY OF NORTON FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 2019; AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

Ms. Whipkey moved to waive second and third readings, seconded by Mr. Pelot.

Roll Call: Yes: Whipkey, Pelot, Gainer, McGlone, Karant, Tousley, Kernan
No: None

Motion passed 7-0.

Ms. Whipkey moved to adopt Ord No. 006-2019; seconded by Mr. Pelot.

Roll Call: Yes: Whipkey, Pelot, Gainer, McGlone, Karant, Tousley, Kernan
No: None

Motion passed 7-0.

Res No. 007-2019

Mr. McGlone offered Res No. 007-2019 for its first reading and asked the Clerk to read it:

A RESOLUTION CONFIRMING THE REAPPOINTMENT OF SANDY CHRISANT TO A NEW THREE-YEAR TERM AS THE WARD 2 REPRESENTATIVE ON THE BOARD OF ZONING AND BUILDING APPEALS OF THE CITY OF NORTON; AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

First reading only.

Res No. 008-2019

Mr. Gainer offered Res No. 008-2019 for its first reading and asked the Clerk to read it:

A RESOLUTION TO APPROVE THE RENEWAL FOR PLACEMENT OF FARMLAND LOCATED AT 4044 SUMMIT ROAD IN AN AGRICULTURAL DISTRICT.

Mr. Gainer moved to waive second and third readings, seconded by Mr. Karant.

Roll Call: Yes: Gainer, Karant, McGlone, Tousley, Whipkey, Pelot, Kernan
No: None

Motion passed 7-0.

Mr. Gainer moved to adopt Res No. 008-2019; seconded by Mr. Karant.

Roll Call: Yes: Gainer, Karant, McGlone, Tousley, Whipkey, Pelot, Kernan
No: None

Motion passed 7-0.

Res No. 009-2019

Mr. Gainer offered Res No. 009-2019 for its first reading and asked the Clerk to read it:

A RESOLUTION TO APPROVE THE RENEWAL FOR PLACEMENT OF FARMLAND LOCATED AT 4117 GREENWICH ROAD IN AN AGRICULTURAL DISTRICT.

Mr. Gainer moved to waive second and third readings, seconded by Mr. Karant. Mr. Tousley asked about the purpose of waiving. Mr. Kernan said it is helpful to the residents. Mr. Pelot noted there is also a timeline and Ms. Macomber stated we had until the first Monday in March.

Roll Call: Yes: Gainer, Karant, McGlone, Tousley, Whipkey, Pelot, Kernan
No: None

Motion passed 7-0.

Mr. Gainer moved to adopt Res No. 009-2019; seconded by Mr. Karant.

Roll Call: Yes: Gainer, Karant, McGlone, Tousley, Whipkey, Pelot, Kernan
No: None

Motion passed 7-0.

INTRODUCTION OF PRIOR LEGISLATION

Ord No. 003-2019

Ms. Whipkey offered amended Ord No. 003-2019 for its second reading and asked the Clerk to read it:

AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER TO SUBMIT AN APPLICATION TO THE OHIO DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES FOR A RECREATIONAL TRAILS PROGRAM GRANT, AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

Ms. Whipkey moved to waive the third reading, seconded by Mr. Pelot.

Roll Call: Yes: Whipkey, Pelot, Gainer, McGlone, Karant, Tousley, Kernan
No: None

Motion passed 7-0.

Ms. Whipkey moved to adopt Ord No. 003-2019; seconded by Mr. Pelot.

Roll Call: Yes: Whipkey, Pelot, Gainer, McGlone, Karant, Tousley, Kernan
No: None

Motion passed 7-0.

PUBLIC SERVICE ANNOUNCEMENTS

Mr. Gainer noted that the first Agricultural District application was for 51.74 acreage and the second was Seiberling with 132.86 acres. He agrees this is a good thing to keep the farmers in the community as much as possible.

Mr. Fowler stated the Fire Station will be available as a warming center from 8 AM to 8 PM for anyone that may lose their heat or need assistance.

EXECUTIVE SESSION: –

Mr. Kernan moved to enter into Executive Session to consider employment matters as defined in O.R.C. § 121.22(G)(1) & Section 3.12(1) of the Norton City Charter; seconded by Mr. Pelot.

Roll Call: Yes: Kernan, Pelot, Gainer, McGlone, Karant, Tousley, Whipkey
No: None

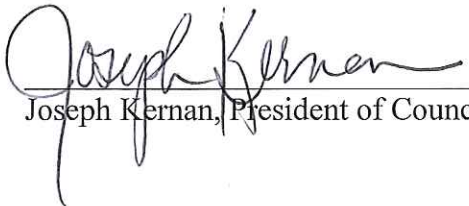
Motion passed 7-0.

Mr. Kernan announced that while Council is in Executive Session, the audio and video is recording live and uninterrupted. If you do not want your conversations recorded, please exit the Council Chambers. He also announced there would be no further legislative action taken after the Executive Session and invited Mayor Zita, Mr. Messner, Mr. Fowler and Mr. Markey to join Council in the Executive Session.

Mr. Kernan recessed the Regular Council meeting at 7:28 PM to go into executive session. Mr. Kernan reconvened the Regular Council meeting at 8:20 PM.

ADJOURN

There being no further business to come before Council, the meeting was adjourned at 8:20 PM.



Joseph Kernan, 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 February 11, 2019.



Kerry Macomber, Clerk of Council

*****Note: These minutes are not verbatim-
Original signed and approved minutes are on file
with the Clerk of Council*****

All Council & Committee Meetings will be held at the Norton Safety
Administration Building unless otherwise noted.

SIGN IN SHEET
COUNCIL MEETING AND COMMITTEE WORK SESSION

The following individuals were present and spoke at the Regular Council Meeting or the Committee Work Session held on Jan 28, 2019.

PLEASE PRINT YOUR NAME CLEARLY:
PLEASE ADDRESS COUNCIL AS A WHOLE, NOT INDIVIDUALLY

(PLEASE NOTE: P.O. BOX ADDRESSES ARE NOT PERMITTED)

NAME	COMPLETE ADDRESS	WARD LOCATION	PHONE
✓ MICHAEL WEDEN	(Formerly) 3177 Chev. Mass Rd		730-328-8598

Approved by Council 02/02/09

