

**REGULAR MEETING**  
**February 27, 2019**  
**Struthers, Ohio 44471**

The Regular Meeting of the Council of the City of Struthers, Ohio, was held on Wednesday, February 27, 2019 at 7:00 p.m. in Council Chambers with the following members present at Roll Call: Bayus, Bigley, Burnside, Carcelli, Fire, Patrick, Rudzik.

President of Council, Henry D. Franceschelli, Sr., was present at the Meeting.

President of Council, Henry D. Franceschelli, Sr., asked everyone to stand for the Pledge and for the gentlemen to remove their hats.

Pledge was recited.

President of Council, Henry D. Franceschelli, Sr., thanked everyone for coming this evening.

President of Council, Henry D. Franceschelli, Sr., recognized the invited guest in attendance at the Regular Council Meeting: Mayor Terry P. Stocker, Safety Service Director, Robert (Bob) Norris and Law Director, John N. Zomoida Jr. (Auditor, Christina Bohl/Jackson, Judge Dominic Leone and Treasurer, Robert D. Carcelli, III, and Tax Commissioner, James Bertrando –not Present.) Also present: Former 2<sup>nd</sup> Ward Councilwoman, Carol A. Crytzer, and Struthers Police Officer Present.

President of Council, Henry D. Franceschelli, Sr., asked for a motion to dispense with the reading of the minutes and to accept the minutes. Do I have a motion? A second?

Fire moved seconded Bigley to dispense with the reading of the minutes of 1<sup>st</sup> Regular Meeting dated February 13, 2019 and accept them as prepared by the Clerk.  
Roll Call: Voting yea: Bayus, Bigley, Burnside, Carcelli, Fire, Patrick, Rudzik.  
Motion carried 7-0.

Meeting minutes accepted by 7-0 vote.

**COMMUNICATIONS (On File)**

- 1. STRUTHERS MUNICIPAL COURT REPORT FOR THE MONTH OF JANUARY 2019 SUBMITTED BY LORRAINE SCIORTINO, CLERK OF COURTS.**
- 2. LETTER RECEIVED FEBRUARY 13, 2019 FROM THE CITY OF STRUTHERS DEPARTMENT OF WASTWATER PLANT MANAGER, GUY C. MAIORANA REGARDING HIGH SCHOOL PRACTICE FIELD/CITY SANITARY AND STORM LINES.**
- 3. LAW DIRECTOR, JOHN N. ZOMOIDA JR. SENT LETTER TO MILLSTONE & KANNENSOHN REGARDING COLLECTION ACCOUNT FOR THE CITY OF STRUTHERS, OHIO DATED FEBRUARY 20, 2019.**
- 4. STRUTHERS MUNICIPAL TREASURER'S CASH TRANSACTION REPORTS FOR THE MONTH OF JANUARY 2019 SUBMITTED BY ROBERT D. CARCELLI, STRUTHERS CITY TREASURER.**

President of Council, Henry D. Franceschelli, Sr., asked for a motion to receive and file communications.

Rudzik motioned seconded by Bigley to receive and file said communications.  
Roll Call: Voting Yea: Bayus, Bigley, Burnside, Carcelli, Fire, Patrick, Rudzik.  
Motion Carried 7-0.

Communications accepted and filed by 7-0 vote.

**MAYOR'S REPORT (On Audio)**

Mayor was present at the meeting and had no said report for Council this evening. Mayor Stocker commended all the Law enforcement personnel for their actions they under took during the 1 ½ day standoff in Struthers on Fifth Street. All our local Police Department Personnel, Our Crisis Response Teams, Swat Teams and FBI, as well as, our Struthers Fire Department for their thermal imaging equipment that was purchased over the last couple of years that allowed our Law Enforcement to efficiently monitor the suspects movement inside the home. All I know is that all the Personnel, CRT, SWAT, FBI, as well as, our guys are highly trained for these types of situations. They protected the lives of fellow Police Officers, as well as, the public from armed and dangers individuals. Stocker announced that the FBI will be handling the investigation. He stated that it was a long day and he knows that we still have Police Officers on the scene trying to wrap everything up. Anytime you lose a loss of life it hits us deep in our hearts. I do believe our Police Personnel worked in the best interest and followed the training and protocols they have in place. Thank you, Mr. Chairman!

President of Council, Henry D. Franceschelli, Sr., stated Thank you, Mayor!

There were no remarks or comments for the Mayor.

**REPORT OF STANDING COMMITTEES (On Audio) March 6, 2019**

Michael S. Patrick, Chairman of Annexation, Zoning & Industrial Business Committee scheduled a meeting for Wednesday, March 6, 2019 at 6:15 p.m. in Council Caucus Room. The purpose of the meeting is to discuss the proposed Landlord Registration Ordinance. (Called for during the Regular Meeting of Council.)

Robert D. Burnside, Chairman of the Finance & Legislation Committee scheduled a meeting for Wednesday, March 6, 2019 at 6:30 p.m. in Council Caucus Room. The purpose of the meeting is to discuss pending Legislation. (Called for during the Regular Meeting of Council.)

**ANYONE WISHING TO ADDRESS COUNCIL ON PENDING LEGISLATION**

There were no remarks or comments under Addressing Council on Pending Legislation.

**LEGISLATION**

**19-007**

**A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO APPLY FOR, ACCEPT, AND ENTER INTO A GRANT AGREEMENT WITH THE OHIO DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES, NATURE WORKS PROGRAM ON BEHALF OF THE CITY OF STRUTHERS FOR PHASE II IMPROVEMENTS AT MAUTHE PARK AND AGREE TO OBLIGATE THE NECESSARY FUNDS TO COMPLETE THE PROJECT AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.**

Burnside moved seconded by Bigley that the rules of Council be suspended and the resolution be placed upon its passage.

Roll Call: Voting Yea: Bayus, Bigley, Burnside, Carcelli, Fire, Patrick, Rudzik.  
No Remarks.

Burnside moved seconded by Bigley that the resolution be passed as read.

Roll Call: Voting Yea: Bayus, Bigley, Burnside, Carcelli, Fire, Patrick, Rudzik.  
No Remarks.

Motion Carried 7-0.

Legislation passed by 7-0 vote.

**UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

There were no remarks or comments under Unfinished Business.

## **NEW BUSINESS**

There were no remarks or comments under New Business.

## **REPORT OF LAW DIRECTOR (On Audio)**

Law Director, John N. Zomoida, Jr. was present at the meeting and had no said report for Council this evening. Law Director had a communication on Agenda under Communication #3. Mr. Zomoida took the opportunity to expand on what the Mayor said earlier and give a thank you to the Police Officers who protect our community. Not many people would be willing to run into danger when most people are running away from that danger to find some safety. Although they need some help with their reports, we are lucky to have such great officers in our communities and he just wanted to personally thank you for keeping the whole community safe!

There were no remarks or comments for the Law Director.

## **REPORT OF AUDITOR**

Auditor Christina Bohl was not present at the meeting and had no said report for Council this evening.

There were no remarks or comments for the Auditor.

## **REPORT OF SAFETY SERVICE DIRECTOR (On Audio)**

Safety Service Director was present at the meeting and had no said report for Council this evening. Mr. Norris read into record and email that he received from Laurie Wittkugle, as follows:

**From:** Laurie Wittkugle [<mailto:lwittkugle@gmail.com>]  
**Sent:** Wednesday, February 27, 2019 1:49 PM  
**To:** Tim Roddy; Terry Stocker  
**Subject:** THANK YOU

STRUTHERS POLICE DEPARTMENT:

After arriving at work this morning, I learned of the standoff and SWAT team's action on Fifth Street. I live in the 500 block of Garfield Street (relatively close to the incident). Although I was home all evening until this morning, I was oblivious to the unfolding situation. For that - I thank all of you.

I have always felt safe living in Struthers. The police force has yet again reinforced that for me.

Thank you for all that each of you do each and every day to keep us safe.

God bless all of you!

Laurie Wittkugle

Struthers, Ohio

There were no remarks or comments for the Safety Service Director.

## **ADDRESSING OF COUNCIL (On Audio – Audio hard to hear) (On Audio - These minutes are a summarization of the Regular Meeting and not verbatim.)**

There were no remarks or comments under Addressing of Council.

## **President of Council, Henry D. Franceschelli, Sr., announced the Committee Meetings scheduled for Wednesday, March 6, 2019 is as follows:**

Annexation, Zoning & Industrial Business Committee Meeting at 6:15 p.m. The purpose is to discuss proposed Landlord Registration Ordinance.

Finance & Legislation Committee Meeting at 6:30 p.m. The purpose of the meeting is to discuss pending Legislation.

**....ANNOUNCED STRUTHERS FIREMANS SPAGHETTI DINNER FOR SATURDAY, MARCH 2, 2019 FROM 3:00 P.M. - 7:00 P.M. AT ST. NICK'S GREAT HALL ....**

**ADJOURNMENT**

Bayus moved seconded by Carcelli that the meeting be adjourned.

Roll Call: Voting yea: Bayus, Bigley, Burnside, Carcelli, Fire, Patrick, Rudzik.

Motion Carried 7-0.

President of Council, Henry D. Franceschelli, Sr., declared the meeting be adjourned and thanks for coming.

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CLERK OF COUNCIL

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PRESIDENT OF COUNCIL