

REGULAR MEETING
September 23, 2020
Struthers, Ohio 44471

The Regular Meeting of the Council of the City of Struthers, Ohio, was held on Wednesday, September 23, 2020 at 7:00 p.m. in Council Chambers with the following members present at Roll Call: Baluck, Bayus, Bigley, Burnside, Carcelli, Greenwood, Pingley.

President of Council, Michael S. Patrick was present at the Meeting.

President of Council, Michael S. Patrick asked everyone to stand for the Pledge.

Pledge was recited.

President of Council, Michael S. Patrick asked those to remain standing for a moment of silence for Rowen Sweeney, a little boy who lost his life this week here in the City of Struthers.

Moment of silence observed. Thank you!

President of Council, Michael S. Patrick thanked everyone for coming this evening.

President of Council, Michael S. Patrick recognized the invited guest in attendance at the Regular Council Meeting: Mayor Catherine Cercone Miller, Safety Service Director, Tim Daley, Auditor, Christina Bohl and Law Director, John N. Zomoida Jr.

President of Council, Mr. Michael S. Patrick asked for a motion to dispense with the reading of the minutes of 1st Regular Minute Dated September 9, 2020 and to accept the minutes. Do I have a motion? A second?

Bigley moved seconded by Carcelli to dispense with the reading of the minutes of 1st Regular Minute Dated September 9, 2020 and accept them as prepared by the Clerk. Roll Call: Voting yea: Baluck, Bayus, Bigley, Burnside, Carcelli, Greenwood, Pingley. Motion carried 7-0.

Meeting minutes accepted by 7-0 vote.

President of Council, Michael S. Patrick asked the clerk to read the (4) four pieces of communications.

COMMUNICATIONS

- 1) **STRUTHERS MUNICIPAL COURT REPORT FOR THE MONTHS OF AUGUST 2020 SUBMITTED BY LORRAINE SCIORTINO, CLERK OF COURT.**
- 2) **STRUTHERS CITY AUDITOR'S MONTHLY STATEMENT OF CASH POSITION, REVENUE REPORT WITH TRANSFER IN & OUT, AND EXPENSE TRANSACTION LEDGER REPORTS FOR THE MONTH OF AUGUST 2020, SUBMITTED BY CHRISTINA S. BOHL, STRUTHERS CITY AUDITOR.**
- 3) **STRUTHERS MUNICIPAL TREASURER'S CASH TRANSACTION REPORT FOR THE MONTH OF AUGUST 2020 SUBMITTED BY ROBERT D. CARCELLI, STRUTHERS CITY TREASURER.**
- 4) **MAYOR'S REPORT DATED SEPTEMBER 14, 2020 SUBMITTED BY CATHERINE CERCONE MILLER.**

President of Council, Michael S. Patrick asked for a motion to receive and file the communications.

Bayus moved seconded by Burnside to receive and file said communications.
Roll Call: Voting yea: Baluck, Bayus, Bigley, Burnside, Carcelli, Greenwood, Pingley.
Motion carried 7-0.

Communications accepted and received by 7-0 vote.

MAYOR'S REPORT (On Audio)

Mayor Catherine Cercone Miller was present at the meeting and read her June 1, 2020 Report for Council this evening. Mayor's Report: 1) Grand Relocation- Fresh Experience, 2) Struthers Wastewater Treatment Plant, 3) Fire Department Test, 4) Resurfacing 2020, 5) Prostate Cancer Awareness and Education, 6) Iron Fit Crew and 7) COVID-19. (On Audio & On File)

She also mentioned that September is Prostate Awareness Month.

Mayor's Report (Filed & Attached):

MAYOR'S REPORT September 14, 2020

Grand Relocation- Fresh Experience

After celebrating 2 years in business, Fresh Experience will officially be relocated after this weekend. The Grand Relocation will be this Saturday, September 19th from 11:30 – 2:30 at 532 Youngstown-Poland Road. The ribbon cutting will be at 1:00. FryTanic Gourmet Fries will also be there. This will also be the unveiling and presentation of "The Court" which is a fully rentable private basketball court.

Struthers Wastewater Treatment Plant

We are happy to announce the hiring of Phillip Myers who has replaced Dean Bradley as the Head of Maintenance at the plant. Phil is a journeyman electrician and a Struthers graduate. We will also be conducting a test through the Struthers Civil Service Commission to establish an eligibility list for the position of Utility Assistant Maintenance Man in the Wastewater Treatment Plant on Monday, October 5, 2020 in the Struthers High School, Cafeteria, beginning sharply at 6:00 PM.

Fire Department Test

An original examination will be conducted by the Struthers Civil Service Commission to establish an eligibility list for the position of Fire Engineer in the Struthers Fire Department on Monday, October 5, 2020 in the Struthers High School, Cafeteria, beginning sharply at 6:00 PM.

Resurfacing 2020

The resurfacing work will commence on Thursday, 9/17. They will start with the pavement milling and manhole adjustments followed by the resurfacing. These are the streets being completed this year not in this order.

- Idora Lane (Audrey to Iroquois)
- Audrey Lane (Iroquois to Iroquois)
- Iroquois (Poland Avenue to Poland Avenue)
- Spring Street (Poland Avenue to Argonne)
- Renee (Poland Avenue to Argonne)
- Garfield (Wilson to Sexton)
- Morrison (Euclid to Garfield)
- Rita (Garfield to Fifth)
- Eighth Street (1) – (Omar to Brandon)
- Eighth Street (2) – (Elm to Midlothian)
- Overlook Drive – Garfield to Helena

- Tenth Street (Elm to Midlothian)
- Downtown Alleyway next to Selah's Restaurant

Prostate Cancer Awareness and Education

My office has announced that the month of September will be observed as Prostate Cancer Awareness Month to help encourage the importance of prostate screening.

Iron Fit Crew

Congratulations to Dylan Schmidt and Iron Fit Crew who successfully hosted its first USS Ohio's Strongest Man/Woman Competition! We will hopefully be hosting this once a year.

COVID-19

If you have any questions regarding COVID19, please call 1-833-427-5634 or refer to the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) website at www.cdc.gov.

Stay Safe and Healthy
Sincerely,
Mayor Cat Cercone Miller

Mayor Catherine Cercone Miller spoke at length with her whole heart to the Family, Neighbors and the Struthers community about the ongoing investigation regarding justice for Rowen Sweeney. She reached out to all those involved and affected by this horrible tragedy and thanked all those that are working and handling the case. (On Audio)

Remarks/Comments: (On Audio)

Mr. Michael S. Patrick, Mayor Catherine Cercone Miller, Law Director, John N. Zomoida.

REPORT OF STANDING COMMITTEES (On Audio)

Wednesday, October 7, 2020

Dallas A. Bigley, Chairman of the Finance & Legislation Committee scheduled a meeting for Wednesday, October 7, 2020 at 6:15 p.m. in Council Caucus Room. The purpose of the meeting is to discuss pending legislation.

Robert D. Burnside, Chairman of the Annexation, Zoning & Industrial Business Committee scheduled a meeting for Wednesday, October 7, 2020 6:30 p.m. in Council Caucus Room. The purpose of the meeting is to discuss city zoning issues.

ANYONE WISHING TO ADDRESS COUNCIL ON PENDING LEGISLATION

There were no remarks or comments under Anyone Wishing To Address Council On Pending Legislation.

President of Council, Michael S. Patrick stated that there was one (1) legislation this evening.

LEGISLATION

20-031

A RESOLUTION ACCEPTING THE AMOUNTS AND RATES AS DETERMINED BY THE BUDGET COMMISSION AND AUTHORIZING THE NECESSARY TAX LEVIES AND CERTIFYING THEM TO THE COUNTY AUDITOR AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

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

Roll Call: Voting Yea: Baluck, Bayus, Bigley, Burnside, Carcelli, Greenwood, Pingley.

No Remarks.

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

Roll Call: Voting Yea: Baluck, Bayus, Bigley, Burnside, Carcelli, Greenwood, Pingley.

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 (On Audio)

Mr. Michael S. Patrick spoke about Council participating in Sunshine Law Training and to get dates for Council to the Clerk of Council, Megan R. Shorthouse.

REPORT OF LAW DIRECTOR

Law Director, John N. Zomoida, Jr. was present at the meeting and had no said report for Council this evening.

There were no remarks or comments for the Law Director.

REPORT OF AUDITOR (On File)

Auditor Christina Bohl was present at the meeting and had report dated August 2020 for Council this evening. Auditor's Report: Struthers City Auditor's Monthly Statement Of Cash Position, Revenue Report With Transfer In & Out, And Expense Transaction Ledger Reports For The Month Of August 2020, Submitted By Christina S. Bohl, Struthers City Auditor. (On File)

There were no remarks or comments for the Auditor.

REPORT OF SAFETY SERVICE DIRECTOR

Safety Service Director was present at the meeting and had no report for Council this evening.

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

ADDRESSING OF COUNCIL

(On Audio - These minutes are a summarization of the Regular Meeting and not verbatim.)

Mr. Bert Cene, 575 W. Wilson Street, Struthers, Ohio 44471. He thanked Administration and all Safety forces for the great job that was done on Perry Street in Struthers. He also brought up 535 W. Wilson Street that is bored up with no trespassing signs posted from a house fire that happened a while back. He wanted to see what was going on with that house and wanted to get more of an update and status on said house. (On Audio)

Remarks/Comments: (On Audio)

Mr. Ronald Carcelli, Thomas Daley, Safety Service Director, and Mayor Catherine Cercone Miller all spoke about 535 W. Wilson Street.

Mr. John R. Socha, 597 9th Street, Struthers, Ohio 44471. He also wanted to thank Administration and Safety forces for a job well done. He stated that he moved away for a long extended period of time but has hence moved back to Struthers. He went on to say that the way everyone responded to this tragedy made him so proud to be back in this community. He commended the Mayor, Administration, Police, Fire and all that aided in the support for justice for the little boy. He spoke about his plans for his property at the

corner of Maplewood & 9th Street. He stated that he brought down all his paperwork and wanted to see if it was brought to Council.

Remarks/Comments: (On Audio)

Mayor Catherine Cercone Miller stated that yes we have your plans but we need to schedule a Zoning Board Meeting, as well as, some other zoning issues. She said that this was one of those things that do need to get discussed in a Zoning Board Meeting.

Mr. John R. Socha explained that he is trying to re-plate his land to include abandon property that was once and easement, so he can put in a new driveway. He said that he already paid \$1,300.00 for the survey and dropped off all re-plate documentation for consideration by the Zoning Board.

Remarks/Comments: (On Audio)

Mayor Catherine Cercone Miller, Mr. Ronald A. Carcelli, and Mr. Burnside.

President of Council, Michael S. Patrick announced the Committee Meeting scheduled for Wednesday, October 7, 2020 is as follows: “GoToMeeting”

- 6:15 P.M.** Finance & Legislation Committee Chairman Dallas A. Bigley & Members: Robert D. Burnside, Ronald A. Carcelli. The purpose of the meeting is to discuss pending legislation.

- 6:30 P.M.** Annexation, Zoning & Industrial Business Committee Chairman Robert D. Burnside & Members: Megan L. Pingley, Richard S. Bayus. The purpose of the meeting is to discuss zoning issues in the city.

ADJOURNMENT

Baluck moved seconded by Bigley that the meeting be adjourned.
Roll Call: Voting yea: Baluck, Bayus, Bigley, Burnside, Carcelli, Greenwood, Pingley.
Motion Carried 7-0.

Meeting Adjourned.

President of Council, Mr. Michael S. Patrick declared the meeting be adjourned and thanked everyone for joining “GoToMeeting” App.

Megan R. Shorthouse
CLERK OF COUNCIL

Michael S. Patrick
PRESIDENT OF COUNCIL