

REGULAR MEETING

May 12, 2021

Struthers, Ohio 44471

The Regular Meeting of the Council of the City of Struthers, Ohio, was held on Wednesday, May 12, 2021 at roughly 6:21 p.m. (Zoom Meeting) with the following members present at Roll Call: Baluck, Bayus, Bigley (Late/Absent), 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 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 and Law Director, John N. Zomoida, Jr. Zoom Guest: Michelle Ray, Ray Capezzuto (S Rep), Mike Agnone, John Socha, and Scott Kehres.

President of Council, Mr. Michael S. Patrick asked for a motion to dispense with the reading of the minutes of 2nd Regular Meeting Dated Wednesday, April 28, 2021 and accept the minutes. Do I have a motion? A second?

Burnside moved seconded by Bayus to dispense with the reading of the minutes of 2nd Regular Meeting Dated April 28, 2021 and accept them as prepared by the Clerk.
Roll Call: Voting yea: Baluck, Bayus, Bigley (Late/Absent), Burnside, Carcelli, Greenwood, Pingley.

Motion carried 6-0.

Meeting minutes accepted by 6-0 vote.

President of Council, Mr. Michael S. Patrick asked for a motion to excuse Mr. Dallas A. Bigley from the Regular Meeting of Council due to his outside work schedule.

Carcelli moved seconded by Burnside to excuse Mr. Dallas A. Bigley from the Regular Meeting of Council due to his outside work schedule.

Roll Call: Voting yea: Baluck, Bayus, Bigley (Absent), Burnside, Carcelli, Greenwood, Pingley.

Motion carried 6-0.

Mr. Dallas A. Bigley was excused from the Meeting by 6-0 Vote.

President of Council, Michael S. Patrick asked the clerk to read the three (3) pieces of communications.

COMMUNICATIONS

- 1) STRUTHERS TAX OFFICE MONTHLY REPORTS FOR TAX COLLECTIONS FOR THE MONTH OF APRIL 2021 SUBMITTED BY RYAN ROGALSKI, STRUTHERS TAX COMMISSIONER.**
- 2) NOTICE TO LEGISLATIVE AUTHORITIES FROM THE DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE DIVISION OF LIQUOR CONTROL REGARDING OBJECTIONS TO RENEWAL OF A LIQUOR PERMIT DATED APRIL 20, 2021.**
- 3) MAYOR'S REPORT DATED MONDAY, MAY 10, 2021 SUBMITTED BY MAYOR CATHERINE CERCONE MILLER.**

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

Carcelli moved seconded by Baluck to receive and file said communications.
Roll Call: Voting yea: Baluck, Bayus, Bigley (Late/Absent), Burnside, Carcelli, Greenwood, Pingley.

Motion carried 6-0.

Communications accepted and received by 6-0 vote.

MAYOR'S REPORT (On File)

Mayor Catherine Cercone Miller was present and had said report entitled Mayor's Report May 10, 2021 for Council this evening. MAYOR'S REPORT (READ IN CAUCUS REVIEW): 1) Volunteer Firemen, 2) New Fire Station, 3) New! Sight for All United, 4) Stormwater Cleanup Day and 5) Tax Deadline Reminder. (ON FILE)

Catherine Cercone Miller

Mayor

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MAYOR'S REPORT

May 10, 2021

Volunteer Firemen

Last week I was given the honor of swearing in two new Struthers volunteer firemen. Welcome to the team, Sean Guerrieri and Seth Jackson. We look forward to having you on board!

New Fire Station

We will have an update including visuals for our citizens on the progress of our fire station soon. We want to thank everyone for being patient and understanding through this process.

New! Sight for All United

We recently had a ribbon cutting in the Struthers Fifth Street Plaza. Sight for All United is a non-profit agency. They provide financial assistance to eligible individuals who are faced with vision challenges including eye exams, eyeglasses, cataract surgeries, corneal crosslinking surgeries, diabetic retinopathy, macular degeneration and glaucoma treatments. We are very excited about their choice of using Struthers as their homebase!

Stormwater Cleanup Day

May 22nd has been scheduled for the citywide cleanup day. Details will be announced soon.

Tax Deadline Reminder

The City of Struthers, along with the state and federal government has extended its tax deadline to Monday, May 17th.

Stay Safe and Healthy,
Mayor Cat Cercone Miller

Mayor Catherine Cercone Miller also mentioned that they swore in the 9th Fireman today at 3:00 p.m. and she announced that she will have all that information in her next Report for Council.

There were no remarks or comments for the Mayor.

**REPORT OF STANDING COMMITTEES (On Audio)
WEDNESDAY, MAY 19, 2021**

Mr. Richard S. Bayus, Chairman of Park & Recreation Committee scheduled a meeting for Wednesday, May 19, 2021 (Via Zoom Meeting App) at 6:00 p.m. The purpose of the meeting is to discuss Music In The Park, Movie Nights and Rowan's Playground.

Miss. Lori A. Greenwood, Chairman of Public Utilities Committee scheduled a meeting for Wednesday, May 19, 2021 (Via Zoom Meeting App) at 6:15 p.m. following the Park & Recreation Meeting to discuss AQUA Utility. (To Follow Park & Recreation Meeting)

Mr. Robert D. Burnside, a member of Finance & Legislation Committee scheduled a meeting for Wednesday, May 19, 2021 (Via Zoom Meeting App) at 6:30 p.m. for the Chairman of Finance & Legislation, Mr. Dallas A. Bigley. The purpose of the meeting is to discuss pending legislation. (To Follow Public Utilities Meeting)

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 Four (4) pieces of legislation this evening.

LEGISLATION

21-028

AN ORDINANCE GRANTING AND ESTABLISHING THE SALARY FOR THE POSITION OF SECRETARY TO THE LAW DIRECTOR, RETROACTIVE TO JANUARY 1, 2021 PROVIDING FOR VACATIONS, FUNERAL LEAVE FOR SAID EMPLOYEE AND REPEALING ORDINANCE NO. 19-021 AND ANY ORDINANCE INCONSISTENT HEREWITH AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

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

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

No Remarks.

Carcelli moved seconded by Pingley that the ordinance be passed as read.

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

No Remarks.

Motion Carried 6-0.

Legislation passed by 6-0 vote.

21-029

AN ORDINANCE GRANTING AND ESTABLISHING A SALARY FOR POLICE CHIEF'S SECRETARY, RETROACTIVE TO JANUARY 1, 2021, PROVIDING FOR VACATIONS, FUNERAL LEAVE FOR SAID EMPLOYEE AND REPEALING ORDINANCE NO. 19-023 AND ANY ORDINANCE INCONSISTENT HEREWITH AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

Bayus moved seconded by Pingley that the rules of Council be suspended and the ordinance be placed upon its passage.

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

No Remarks.

Bayus moved seconded by Pingley that the ordinance be passed as read.

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

No Remarks.

Motion Carried 6-0.

Legislation passed by 6-0 vote.

21-030

A RESOLUTION APPROPRIATING THE SUM OF \$347,192.00 FROM THE GENERAL FUND FOR THE CONSTRUCTION OF THE NEW MAIN FIRE STATION AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

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

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

Remarks/Comments:

Mr. Richard S. Bayus stated that this is a great idea of putting this money towards the New Fire Station. He stated that we need to get the ball rolling on this because it's long over due. Thank you!

Mr. Robert D. Burnside he made comments stating that he wants the residents to realize that with COVID and the lack of supplies has increased the cost of the New Fire Station Construction. This is the reason Council is taking action to help cover the cost of the New Fire Station.

Miss. Megan L. Pingley made comments stating that she was just listening to the News Station and Mayor Catherine Cercone Miller was just explaining....

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

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

No Remarks.

Motion Carried 6-0.

Legislation passed by 6-0 vote.

21-031

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO ENTER INTO A PURCHASE AGREEMENT WITH SUTPHEN CORPORATION REGARDING THE PURCHASE OF SUTPHEN FIRE APPARATUS/PUMPER, AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

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

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

No Remarks.

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

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

No Remarks.

Motion Carried 6-0.

Legislation passed by 6-0 vote.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

There were no remarks or comments for Unfinished Business.

NEW BUSINESS

There were no remarks or comments for New Business.

REPORT OF LAW DIRECTOR

Law Director, John N. Zomoida, Jr. was present on the Zoom meeting and had no Report for Council this evening. He stated that he would be available for any questions that any one may have. Thank you.

There were no remarks or comments for the Law Director.

REPORT OF AUDITOR

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

There were no remarks or comments for the Auditor.

REPORT OF SAFETY SERVICE DIRECTOR

Safety Service Director was not present on the Zoom 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)

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

There were no remarks or comments for Addressing of Council.

President of Council, Michael S. Patrick announced the Committee Meetings scheduled for Wednesday, May 19, 2021 is as follows: “Zoom Meeting App”

6:00 P.M.

Park & Recreation Committee Chairman Richard S. Bayus & Members: Lori A. Greenwood, Dallas A. Bigley. The purpose of the meeting is to discuss Music- In-The Park, Movie Nights and Rowan’s Playground.

**PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMITTEE
TO FOLLOW
PARK & RECREATION**

Public Utilities Committee Chairman Lori A. Greenwood & Members: Ronald A. Carcelli, James E. Baluck. The purpose of the meeting is to discuss AQUA Utility.

**FINANCE & LEGISLATION COMMITTEE
TO FOLLOW
PUBLIC UTILITIES**

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

STRUTHERS CLEAN UP DAY

**SATURDAY, MAY 22, 2021 at 8:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m. at Struthers City Hall Street
Department Garage**

ADJOURNMENT

Pingley moved seconded by Greenwood that the meeting be adjourned.
Roll Call: Voting yea: Baluck, Bayus, Bigley (Absent), Burnside, Carcelli, Greenwood, Pingley.
Motion Carried 6-0.

Meeting Adjourned.

President of Council, Mr. Michael S. Patrick declared the meeting be adjourned and thanked everyone for joining “Zoom Meeting” App. (End Time: 6:35 P.M.)

Megan R. Shorthouse
CLERK OF COUNCIL

Michael S. Patrick
PRESIDENT OF COUNCIL