**REGULAR MEETING**

**October 11, 2023**

**Struthers, Ohio 44471**

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**General Session 7:00 PM**

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The Regular Meeting of the Council of the City of Struthers, Ohio, was held on Wednesday, October 11, 2023 at roughly 7:00 p.m. with the following members present at Roll Call: Baluck (absent), Bayus, Bigley (absent), Burnside, Carcelli, Greenwood, Pingley.

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

President of Council, 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 asked for a motion to excuse Councilman-At-Large, Mr. Dallas A. Bigley an Mr. James E. Baluck from the meeting due to vacation.

Carcelli moved seconded by Pingley to excuse Mr. Dallas A. Bigley and Mr. James E. Baluck form the 2nd Regular Meeting Dated October 11, 2023 due to being out-of-town.

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

Motion carried 5-0.

Mr. Richard S. Bayus excused by 5-0 vote.

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.

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, September 27, 2023 and accept the minutes. Do I have a motion? A second?

Burnside moved seconded by Pingley to dispense with the reading of the minutes of the 2nd Regular Meeting Dated Wednesday, September 27, 2023 and accept them as prepared by the Clerk.

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

No Remarks.

Motion Carried 5-0.

Meeting minutes approved and accepted by 5-0 vote.

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

**COMMUNICATIONS**

**1) STRUTHERS TAX OFFICE MONTHLY REPORTS FOR TAX COLLECTIONS FOR THE MONTH OF SEPTEMBER 2023, SUBMITTED BY RYAN ROGALSKI, STRUTHERS TAX COMMISSIONER.**

**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 2023, SUBMITTED BY CHRISTINA S. BOHL, STRUTHERS CITY AUDITOR ON SEPTEMBER 12, 2023.**

**3) MAYOR’S REPORT DATED MONDAY, OCTOBER 09, 2023, SUBMITTED BY MAYOR CATHERINE CERCONE MILLER.**

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

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

No Remarks.

Motion Carried 5-0.

Communications accepted, received, and filed by 5-0 vote.

**MAYOR’S REPORT (REPORT ON FILE)**

Mayor was present and had said report entitled Mayor’s Report Monday, October 9, 2023 for Council this evening. Read in: (**Caucus** / Chambers) MAYOR’S REPORT: 1) Beirut Memorial, 2) Second Harvest Food Drive, 3) Struthers Trick or Treat, 4) Maplecrest Fall Fun Fest, 5) Comfort of Hope Program, 6) Friends of Fido Chili Cookoff, 7) Habitat for Humanity, and 8) Struthers Band Boosters. (REPORT ON FILE)

**Catherine Cercone Miller**

Mayor

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**Mayor's Report**

**Oct. 9th, 2023**

**Beirut Memorial**

The candlelight vigil will be held this Saturday, October 14th at 6am. The ceremony will follow at 1:00pm at the Beirut Memorial at Hamilton Lake.

**Second Harvest Food Drive**

This Thursday, October 12th, beginning at 12 noon, we will be having a food giveaway at Roosevelt Park in Campbell for any Struthers, Campbell, Lowellville, or Coitsville residents.

**Struthers Trick or Treat**

Trick or Treat in the City will be on Tuesday, October 31st from 5pm to 7pm. Please drive with caution and be mindful of the construction along some of the streets. Creed Street from Garfield to Euclid will be closed for any through traffic.

**Maplecrest Fall Fun Fest**

On Saturday October 14th, Maplecrest Skilled Nursing and Rehabilitation will host its annual Fall Fun Fest from 1-3. Trick or Treat will be at 2. Costumes are encouraged.

**Comfort of Hope Program**

On Saturday, October 14th from 12-3 at New Life Church in Poland, Comfort and Hope will be hosting a fall community fundraiser with food, a basket raffle, 50/50, Children’s Art center and more to raise funds for Birthday bags for Mahoning County Children services, NOAS and the Bair Foundation to help foster youth.

**Halloween House Contest**

Please visit our city Facebook page to vote for your favorite Halloween house by simply “liking” the picture. The contest will begin when posted, Wednesday, October 11th and voting will end on Wednesday October 25th at 3:00pm.

**Friends of Fido Chili Cookoff**

Congratulations to our Struthers Fire Department for placing 2nd in the annual Friends of Fido Chili Cookoff at Penguin City. Thank you to everyone who supported the cause.

**Habitat for Humanity**

Habitat is collecting cans and other aluminum products. If you have any to donate, please drop them off at the Struthers ReStore on Youngstown Poland Road.

**Struthers Band Boosters**

The Struthers Band Boosters are raising money for new uniforms through a Trunk or Treat and Movie night on October 29th and they are looking for sponsors and donors. Please contact Liz Hawkins at 330-770-8565 to participate or to donate.

Keep Smiling,

Mayor Catherine Cercone Miller

**REPORT OF STANDING COMMITTEES (On Audio)**

**WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 18, 2023**

**NOTICE OF COUNCIL- AS- A -WHOLE COMMITTEE MEETINGS- SCHEDULED ON WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 18, 2023 AT 6:00 P.M. IN COUNCIL CAUCUS ROOM #11.**

**6:00 P.M.**

**FINANCE & LEGISLATION COMMITTEE**

Finance & Legislation Committee Chairman Dallas A. Bigley & Members: Richard S. Bayus, James E. Baluck. The purpose of the meeting is to discuss pending legislation.

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

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

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

President of Council, Michael S. Patrick stated that there were (2) two pieces of legislation this evening for the Regular Meeting of Council.

**LEGISLATION**

**23-031**

**AN ORDINANCE ESTABLISHING SALARIES FOR THE DEPARTMENT HEADS IN THE CITY OF STRUTHERS, OHIO, BEGINNING NOVEMBER 1, 2023, REPEALING ORDINANCE NO. 22-017 AND ANY ORDINANCE INCONSISTENT HEREWITH AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.**

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

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

No Remarks.

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

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

No Remarks.

Motion Carried 5-0.

Legislation passed by 5-0 vote.

**THIRD**

**READING**

**23-032**

**A RESOLUTION ADOPTING THE COMPREHENSIVE PLAN (DISCOVER STRUTHERS).**

Burnside moved seconded by Pingley that the resolution be passed to a third reading.

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

No Remarks.

Motion Carried 5-0.

Legislation passed by 5-0 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**

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

There were no remarks or comments for Law Director.

**REPORT OF AUDITOR (REPORT ON FILE)**

Auditor, Christina S. Bohl was not present and had said report dated August 2023 for Struthers City 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 2023, Submitted By Christina S. Bohl, Struthers City Auditor. (REPORT ON FILE)

There were no remarks or comments for the Auditor.

**REPORT OF SAFETY SERVICE DIRECTOR**

Safety Service Director was not present at the meeting and had no report for Council this evening.

There were no remarks or comments for Safety Service Director.

**ADDRESSING OF COUNCIL (On Audio)**

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

President of Council, Michael S. Patrick announced if anyone in the audience would like to address council, please come to the podium and state your name and address for the record. You will have three (3) minutes to speak. Thank you!

President of Council, Michael S. Patrick asked again that the audience come forward if they wish to speak. The following spoke:

Mr. Steven Senich, 985 Garfield Street, Struthers, Ohio 44471. Wanted to know if a Senior Center for Senior Citizens would be in the works for Yoga and activities and also wanted to find out about Spectrium. (On Audio)

**Comments/Remarks:**

Mayor Catherine Cercone Miller made comments about the Senior Center now that they Comprehensive Plan just passed and will be in the works.

Judge Jennifer Ciccone, 8535 Four Seasons Trail, Poland Ohio 44514. She addressed Council and provided a print out of The Supreme Court of Ohio Court Services Regarding the Struthers Municipal Court from years 2018 thru 2022. She stated that she could be reach at (330) 397-9376, but text first and say who you are, because she does not just answer her phone to unknown callers. There are issues with Case Management that needs to be handled. Our retention rate in the Court right now is 97% and it should be at 0 and 1,700 Active warrants on hand as of now. We have a lot of work to do to get the court on track. (On Audio and Reports on file)

**Comments/Remarks:**

Mr. Robert D. Burnside made comments and welcomed Judge Jennifer Ciccone!

**President of Council, Michael S. Patrick** **announced the following:**

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**ADJOURNMENT**

Carcelli moved seconded by Greenwood that the meeting be adjourned.

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

Motion Carried 5-0.

Meeting Adjourned.

President of Council, Mr. Michael S. Patrick declared the meeting be adjourned and thanked everyone for coming to the meeting.

\_*Megan R. Shorthouse*\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ \_\_\_*Michael S. Patrick*\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

CLERK OF COUNCIL PRESIDENT OF COUNCIL