**REGULAR MEETING**

**March 08, 2023**

**Struthers, Ohio 44471**

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The Regular Meeting of the Council of the City of Struthers, Ohio, was held on Wednesday, March 08, 2023 at roughly 7:00 p.m. with the following members present at Roll Call: Baluck (absent), Bayus, Bigley, 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 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, Michael S. Patrick asked for a motion to excuse Councilman-At-Large, James E. Baluck from the 1st Regular Meeting of Council dated March 08, 2023. Do I have a motion? A second?

Bigley moved seconded by Pingley to excuse Councilman-At-Large, James E. Baluck from the 1st Regular Council Meeting dated Wednesday, March 08, 2023, due to being unavailable.

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

No Remarks.

Motion Carried 6-0.

Mr. James E. Baluck excused by 6-0 vote.

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, February 22, 2023 and accept the minutes. Do I have a motion? A second?

Carcelli moved seconded by Pingley to dispense with the reading of the minutes of the 2nd Regular Meeting Dated Wednesday, February 22, 2023 and accept them as prepared by the Clerk.

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

No Remarks.

Motion Carried 6-0.

Meeting minutes approved and accepted by 6-0 vote.

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

**COMMUNICATIONS**

**1) STRUTHERS CITY AUDITOR’S MONTHLY STATEMENT OF CASH POSITION, REVENUE REPORT WITH TRANSFER IN & OUT, AND EXPENSE TRANSACTION LEDGER REPORTS FOR THE MONTH OF JANUARY 2023, SUBMITTED BY CHRISTINA S. BOHL, STRUTHERS CITY AUDITOR ON FEBRUARY 28, 2023.**

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

**3) MAYOR’S REPORT DATED MONDAY, MARCH 06, 2023, SUBMITTED BY MAYOR CATHERINE CERCONE MILLER.**

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

Bigley moved seconded by Burnside to receive and file said communications.

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

No Remarks.

Motion Carried 6-0.

Communications accepted, received and filed by 6-0 vote.

**MAYOR’S REPORT (Report On File)**

Mayor was present and had said report entitled Mayor’s Report Monday, March 06, 2023 for Council this evening. Read in: (Caucus / Chambers) MAYOR’S REPORT: 1) Firemen’s Association Spaghetti Dinner, 2) Bombas Socks, 3) New Fire Engineer, 4) Aqua Scam, 5) Youngtown Neighborhood Development Corporation, 6) Christ Our Savior Parish Fish Dinners, 7) City Easter Egg Hunt, and 8) Maplecrest Easter Egg Hunt. (REPORT ON FILE)

**Catherine Cercone Miller**

Mayor

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**Mayor's Report**

**March 6th, 2023**

**Firemen’s Association Spaghetti Dinner**

We would like to thank everyone for another very successful Spaghetti Dinner for our Firemen’s Association and a big thank you to all of the people and businesses who donated for the auction. We greatly appreciate all of the continued support.

**Bombas Socks**

We would like to Thank SMS teacher, Amber Bonilla, and Bombas for their sock donation to the Struthers Senior van! We greatly appreciate it! Bombas donated 10,000 pairs of new socks that were distributed as follows: 5,000 pairs - Youngstown Blue Coats; 3,000 pairs - Dorothy Day House – Youngstown; 1,000 pairs - Three Wishes by Kiki Demidovich; 500 pairs - Making Kids Count; 250 pairs - Struthers Senior Van; 200 pairs - Struthers Middle School Pantry; 50 pairs - Vasu Manor Campbell, Ohio

**New Fire Engineer**

We would like to welcome Billy Opritza to our Fire Deparment. He was recently sworn in as a full-time engineer. We are excited to have him on board and wish him a long prosperous career.

**Aqua Scam**

Aqua has been alerted of a telephone scam involving someone impersonating an Aqua employee conducting a survey, and asking for customer information and account numbers. This is NOT legitimate and not from Aqua. Please be aware that Aqua will never ask for your customer information – including your account number, username or password – over the phone. If you receive an inquiry like this, you can report it to their Security Operations Team at [securityoperations@essential.co](mailto:securityoperations@essential.co).

**Youngstown Neighborhood Development Corporation**

We would like to thank Ian Beniston and Youngstown Neighborhood Development Corporation and their countywide home repair program in the City of Struthers in 2022. The investment was made possible primarily through the support of American Rescue Plan funding provided by the Mahoning County Commissioners and also through the support of Direction Home and the Ohio Housing Trust Fund.

In 2022 they invested $146,047 to complete 28 home repairs in the City of Struthers. Any homeowners in need of critical home repairs, please direct call YNDC at 330.480.0423.

**Christ Our Savior Parish Fish Dinners**

Every Friday in March, Christ Our Savior Parish will have a fish dinner at St. Nicholas Great Hall from 4:00pm to 7:00 pm or until sold out. Dine in or take out is available.

**City Easter Egg Hunt**

We will have our annual City Easter Egg hunt on Saturday April 1st from 10-12 at Laddie J. Fedor Field at the Struthers High School.

**Maplecrest Easter Egg Hunt**

Immediately following the City Easter Egg Hunt, Maplecrest will be holding their Annual Hunt at 12:00. Egg Hunt promptly at 12:30 PM Everyone is welcome! 400 Sexton St.

Stay Safe & Healthy,

Mayor Cat Cercone Miller

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

**WEDNESDAY, MARCH 15, 2023**

**NOTICE OF COUNCIL-AS-A-WHOLE COMMITTEE MEETINGS-SCHEDULED ON WEDNESDAY, MARCH 15, 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.**

**6:15 P.M.**

**COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT**

**Community Development Committee Chairman Megan L. Pingley & Members: Lori A. Greenwood, Ronald A. Carcelli. The purpose of the meeting is to discuss the Draft Comprehensive Plan with Samatha Yannucci & Kristen Olmi, K.O. Consulting, LLC.**

**6:30 P.M.**

**BUDGET WORKSHOP**

**The purpose of the workshop is for Struthers City Council to review the proposed 2023 General Fund Budget.**

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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 was two (2) pieces of legislation this evening for the Regular Meeting of Council. Clerk would you please read the legislation.

**LEGISLATION**

**SECOND**

**READING**

**A RESOLUTION REQUESTING THAT THE MAHONING COUNTY AUDITOR CERTIFY TO THE CITY OF STRUTHERS, OHIO THE TOTAL CURRENT TAX VALUATION INFORMATION FOR THE PURPOSE OF EVALUATING AND LEVYING A TAX EXCEEDING THE 10-MILL LIMITATION.**

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

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

No Remarks.

Motion Carried 6-0.

Legislation passed to a Third Reading by 6-0 vote.

**23-009**

**A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE AUDITOR OF MAHONING COUNTY TO REMOVE LIENS PLACED ON REAL ESTATE LOCATED IN THE CITY OF STRUTHERS, PURSUANT TO SECTION 743.04 OF THE OHIO REVISED CODE AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY**.

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

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

No Remarks.

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

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

No Remarks.

Motion Carried 6-0.

Legislation passed by 6-0 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 Bohl was not present at the meeting and had said report dated January 2023 for Council this evening. Struthers City Auditor’s Monthly Statement Of Cash Position, Revenue Report With Transfer In & Out, And Expense Transaction Ledger Reports For The Month Of January 2023, Submitted By Christina S. Bohl, Struthers City Auditor On February 28, 2023. (Report On File)

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 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:

There were no remarks or comments for Addressing of Council.

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

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**ADJOURNMENT**

Carcelli moved seconded by Bigley that the meeting be adjourned.

Roll Call: Voting Yea: Baluck (absent), Bayus, Bigley, 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 coming to the meeting.

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

CLERK OF COUNCIL PRESIDENT OF COUNCIL