**REGULAR MEETING**

**February 22, 2023**

**Struthers, Ohio 44471**

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**Caucus 6:15 PM**

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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, February 22, 2023 at roughly 7:00 p.m. with the following members present at Roll Call: Baluck, Bayus, Bigley (absent), Burnside, Carcelli (absent), 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, Dallas A. Bigley and 2nd Ward Councilman, Ronald A. Carcelli from the 2nd Regular Meeting of Council dated February 22, 2023. Do I have a motion? A second?

Pingley moved seconded by Bayus to excuse Councilman-At-Large, Dallas A. Bigley and 2nd Ward Councilman, Ronald A. Carcelli from the 2nd Regular Council Meeting dated Wednesday, February 22, 2023, due to being sick/unavailable.

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

No Remarks.

Motion Carried 5-0.

Mr. Dallas A. Bigley and Mr. Ronald A. Carcelli excused by 5-0 vote.

President of Council, Mr. Michael S. Patrick asked for a motion to dispense with the reading of the minutes of 1st Regular Meeting Dated Wednesday, February 08, 2023 and accept the minutes. Do I have a motion? A second?

Greenwood moved seconded by Burnside to dispense with the reading of the minutes of the 1st Regular Meeting Dated Wednesday, February 08, 2023 and accept them as prepared by the Clerk.

Roll Call: Voting Yea: Baluck, Bayus, Bigley (absent), Burnside, Carcelli (absent), 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 two (2) pieces of communications.

**COMMUNICATIONS**

**1) CITY OF STRUTHERS REPORT OF TREASURER AS OF JANUARY 31, 2023, SUBMITTED BY MARK T. BRENNER, STRUTHERS CITY TREASURER.**

**2) MAYOR’S REPORT DATED MONDAY, FEBRUARY 20, 2023, SUBMITTED BY MAYOR CATHERINE CERCONE MILLER.**

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

Bayus moved seconded by Pingley to receive and file said communications.

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

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, February 20, 2023 for Council this evening. Read in: (Caucus / Chambers) MAYOR’S REPORT: 1) New Fire Truck, 2) Struthers Business Façade Grant, 3) K9 Vest Donation, 4) Struthers Firemen’s Dinner, and 5) Easter Egg Hunt. (REPORT ON FILE)

**Catherine Cercone Miller**

Mayor

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**Mayor's Report**

**February 20, 2023**

**New Fire Truck**

Members of the Struthers Fire Department were in Columbus last week for the final inspection of our new fire truck, to take ownership and drive it back home. The pumper rescue is a 2022 Sutphen and will be replacing our 1997 Sutphen Engine 81. Members have been hard at work mounting equipment and will be training on pumping and driving the new engine to place it in service as soon as possible.

**Struthers Business Façade Grant**

The City of Struthers is offering a 50% match façade grant up to $5,000 to businesses located within the City not located in the downtown area. These grants are for the purpose of improving the aesthetic appearance of the building’s exterior. That includes improvements to the exterior walls, lighting, awnings, windows, doors, sidewalk repairs, landscaping and fixed exterior furnishings.

The aim of this project is to aid with the appearance of Struthers buildings as part of an overall effort to make Struthers a destination point for the area. We invite you to be a part of this exciting initiative. A total of $25,000 in grant will be selected for the year. Please see our FB page for more information or contact my office at 330-755-2181 ext 110.

**K9 Vest Donation**

We would like to thank Brady’s K9 Fund for their donation of a practical, mission ready ballistic vest to K9 Recon. They are a non-profit organization out of Strongsville, Ohio who help protect the K9s who protect us. It is valued at $1500.00.

**Struthers Firemen’s Dinner**

The Struthers Firemen Association spaghetti dinner will be held on Saturday, March 4th from 3-7 at St. Nicholas Great Hall. Tickets are $5.00 at the door with carry-out available. Children under 5 are free. We are still looking for donations for the Auction. They can be dropped off at City Hall or at the Fire Station.

**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.

Stay Safe & Healthy,

Mayor Cat Cercone Miller

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

**WEDNESDAY, MARCH 01, 2023**

**NOTICE OF COUNCIL- AS- A -WHOLE COMMITTEE MEETINGS- SCHEDULED ON WEDNESDAY, MARCH 01, 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.

**6:30 P.M.**

**CHIP PUBLIC INFORMATIONAL MEETING WITH PHILIP PURYEAR**

**COUNCIL CHAMBERS**

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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**

**FIRST**

**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 Greenwood that the resolution be passed to a second reading.

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

No Remarks.

Motion Carried 5-0.

Legislation passed to a second reading by 5-0 vote.

**23-008**

**A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE AUDITOR TO REQUEST AND RECEIVE THE ADVANCE DISTRIBUTION OF REAL PROPERTY TAX COLLECTIONS FROM THE MAHONING COUNTY AUDITOR FOR THE CALENDAR YEAR 2023 AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.**

Bayus moved seconded by Pingley 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 (absent), Greenwood, Pingley.

No Remarks.

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

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

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

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 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**

Greenwood moved seconded by Baluck that the meeting be adjourned.

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