**REGULAR MEETING**

**June 28, 2023**

**Struthers, Ohio 44471**

**LIVE STREAM MEETING LINKS:**

**Caucus 6:15**

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**General Session 7:00**

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The Regular Meeting of the Council of the City of Struthers, Ohio, was held on Wednesday, June 28, 2023 at roughly 7:00 p.m. with the following members present at Roll Call: Baluck, Bayus (absent), Bigley, Burnside, Carcelli, Gomon, 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 Safety Service Director, Robert F. Benson.

President of Council, Mr. Michael President of Council, Michael S. Patrick asked for a motion to excuse 4th Ward Councilman, Richards S. Bayus from the 2nd Regular Meeting of Council dated June 28, 2023. Do I have a motion? A second?

Bigley moved seconded by Carcelli to excuse 4th Ward Councilman, Richard S. Bayus from the 2nd Regular Council Meeting dated Wednesday, June 28, 2023, due to being unavailable.

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

No Remarks.

Motion Carried 6-0.

Mr. Richard S. Bayus excused by 6-0 vote.

President of Council, Michael S. Patrick asked for a motion to dispense with the reading of the minutes of 1st Regular Meeting Dated Wednesday, June 14, 2023 and accept the minutes. Do I have a motion? A second?

Pingleymoved seconded by Bigley to dispense with the reading of the minutes of the 1st Regular Meeting Dated Wednesday, June 14, 2023 and accept them as prepared by the Clerk.

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

**COMMUNICATIONS**

**1) STRUTHERS CITY AUDITOR’S MONTHLY STATEMENT OF CASH POSITION, REVENUE REPORT WITH TRANSFER IN & OUT, AND EXPENSE TRANSACTION LEDGER REPORTS FOR THE MONTHS OF APRIL & MAY 2023, SUBMITTED BY CHRISTINA S. BOHL, STRUTHERS CITY AUDITOR ON JUNE 26, 2023.**

**2) NOTICE TO LEGISLATIVE AUTHORITY OHIO DIVISION OF LIQUOR CONTROL REGARDING B STOCK PERMIT NUMBER 8843532 1010 BELLA LLC DBA BELLERIA, 1010 YOUNGSTOWN-POLAND RD., STRUTHERS, OHIO RECEIVED ON JUNE 26, 2023.**

**3) MAYOR’S REPORT DATED MONDAY, JUNE 26, 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 Pingley to receive and file said communications.

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

No Remarks.

Motion Carried 6-0.

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

**MAYOR’S REPORT (VERBAL REPORT)**

Mayor was present and had said report entitled Mayor’s Report Monday, June 26, 2023 for Council this evening. Read in: (Caucus / Chambers) MAYOR’S REPORT: MAYOR’S REPORT: 1) ODOT Grant, 2) VACTOR Truck from Mahoning County Commissioners, 3) America In Bloom, 4) Jum Weasel Vespasian Memorial Run, 5) Christ Our Savior Parish Family Summerfest, 6) Selah Restaurant receives National Grant, 7) Brady’s K9 Fund, 8) Teddy Foltz 9th Annual Memorial Poker Run, 9) Moab House Car Show, and 10) 2nd Annual Tree Photography Contest. (REPORT ON FILE)

**Catherine Cercone Miller**

Mayor

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**Mayor's Report**

**June 26th, 2023**

**ODOT Grant**

Ohio Governor Mike DeWine and Ohio Department of Transportation (ODOT) announced last week that ODOT will invest $51 million into new traffic safety improvement projects to specifically address an increase in pedestrian-involved traffic crashes and fatal roadway departures on state and local roads and the city has received a grant of $1,000,000.00 for our Bridge Street Safety Study that our City Engineer Team, Environmental Design Group put together. We are very excited to bring these monies to our city. Struthers was the only city in Mahoning, Trumbull or Columbiana County to receive money from this allocation.

**VACTOR Truck funding from Mahoning County Commissioners**

Last week we received notice that the Mahoning County Commissioners are funding the total payment for the city’s Wastewater Department up to $475,000. We greatly appreciate the continued support from Commissioners Carol Rimedio-Righetti, David Ditzler and Anthony Traficanti.

**America In Bloom**

Last week we spent two days with our America In Bloom advisors, Ed Hooker and Kirk Brown, touring them around the city. We would like to thank Jenn Koontz, Veronica Cardello and Roberta Hiller for applying for and receiving a Smarth Growth Grant to be able to join this national program which promotes, recognizes, and celebrates community enhancement programs across the US.

**Jim Weasel Vespasian Memorial Run**

The annual Memorial Run in honor of Jim (Weasel) Vespasian will be held on Sunday, July 16th at St. Anthonys. It is $20 per bike and sign up starts at 10am, rain or shine.

**Christ Our Savior Parish Family Summerfest**

On July 7th and July 8th from 5-9pm, The Church will be holding their annual Family Summer Fest at the Great Hall.

**Selah Restaurant receives National Grant**

Congratulations to Selah Restaurant for being one of the few Ohio businesses to receive a $5,000 Backing Small Businesses grant through Main Street America.

**Brady’s K9 Fund**

We would like to thank Brady’s K9 fund for their donation of a bullet proof vest for K9 officer Recon. Please visit [www.bradysk9fund.com](http://www.bradysk9fund.com) for more information on their program.

**Teddy Foltz 9th Annual Memorial Poker Run**

Our thoughts and prayers are with the individuals injured in the annual poker run this past weekend.

**Moab House Car Show**

On Saturday, July 15th, the Moab House will be holding their annual Car Show and Street Fair in the Struthers High School parking lot. Car registration will be at 10am and the show begins at 11 and ends at 4pm after the award presentation.

**2nd Annual Tree Photography Contest**

The Struthers Tree Board held their 2nd Annual photo contest!  The winners are Adele Lyons and Tanya Grace. They have both won a tree planted in their name and a 1-year membership to the Arbor Day Foundation! We also dedicated a tree 3rd generation grandchild black walnut descendent from George Washington given to the city by Jonathan Guerrier.

Keep Smiling,

Mayor Catherine Cercone Miller

There were no remarks or comments under Mayor’s Report.

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

**WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 06, 2023**

**NOTICE OF COUNCIL- AS- A -WHOLE COMMITTEE MEETINGS- SCHEDULED ON WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 06, 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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**F&L Committee Meeting**

(Never received code for meeting)

**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 (3) three pieces of legislation this evening for the Regular Meeting of Council.

**LEGISLATION**

**23-021**

**AN ORDINANCE APPROPRIATING THE SUM NOT TO EXCEED $1,000.00 FROM THE 2023 GENERAL FUND BUDGET APPROPREATION 9000 MISCELLANEOUS CATEGORY CONTINGENT # 100 9000 53024 FOR THE HIGGINS-REARDON FUNERAL HOME AND CREMATION SERVICES FOR AN INDIGENT STRUTHERS RESIDENT AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.**

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

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

No Remarks.

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

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

No Remarks.

Motion Carried 6-0.

Legislation passed by 6-0 vote.

**23-022**

**AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE TREASURER OF THE CITY OF STRUTHERS TO OPEN A NEW BANK ACCOUNT WITH HUNTINGTON BANK FOR THE PURPOSE OF TRANSACTIONS RELATED TO THE CITY OF STRUTHERS SELF-FUNDED HOSPITALIZATION AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.**

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

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

No Remarks.

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

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

No Remarks.

Motion Carried 6-0.

Legislation passed by 6-0 vote.

**23-023**

**A RESOLUTION DETERMINING TO PROCEED WITH THE SUBMISSION TO THE ELECTORS OF THE QUESTION OF LEVYING A RENEWAL TAX IN EXCESS OF THE 10-MILL LIMITATION AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.**

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

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

No Remarks.

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

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

President of Council, Michael S. Patrick asked for a motion for City of Struthers to accept the New Fire Station Donations.

Burnside moved seconded by Gomon that the New Fire Station Donations are accepted by the City of Struthers.

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

No Remarks.

Motion Carried 6-0.

Donations Accepted by 6-0 vote.

**REPORT OF LAW DIRECTOR**

Law Director, John N. Zomoida, Jr. was not 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 no said report 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 Months Of April & May 2023, Submitted By Christina S. Bohl, Struthers City Auditor On June 26, 2023.

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:

**GUEST SPEAKER: (ON AUDIO)**

**1) CHRIS BRODERICK, ONE HEALTH OHIO AND RISE, TO SPEAK ON ADDITION AND WHAT AN FQHC CAN HELP WITH ADDITION TREATMENT AND EVEN MEDICAL TREATMENT.**

**2) STRUTHERS UNLEASHED- STRUTHERS DOG PARK PRESENTATION.**

**Comments/Remarks: (On Audio)**

**Mr. Dallas A. Bigley asked about insurance and up keep of the Dog Park.**

**Mr. Robert D. Burnside, Mayor Catherine Cercone Miller and Lori A. Gomon.**

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

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**4th OF JULY PARADE ANNOUNCED**

**ADJOURNMENT**

Bigley moved seconded by Baluck that the meeting be adjourned.

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