COUNCIL April 6th, 2017

Wilmington City Council met in regular session on Thursday, April 6th, 2017, at 7:30 p.m. with President Randy Riley presiding.

CALL TO ORDER

President of Council called the meeting to order at 7:30 p.m.

ROLL CALL

Roll Call: Purkey, present; Spicer, present; Stuckert, absent; J. McKay, present; Swindler, present; Liermann, present; M. McKay, present.

A motion was made by M. McKay and seconded by Liermann to excuse the absent member. Motion passes.

Absent member excused.

Chief Weyand was present.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

MOMENT OF SILENCE

PRESIDENT OF COUNCIL

President of Council-

A motion was made by J. McKay and seconded by Spicer to approve the agenda as received. Motion passed.

Agenda approved as received.

A motion was made by J. McKay and seconded by Purkey to approve the March 16th minutes as received

Motion passed.

Minutes approved as received.

MAYOR

<u>Mayor</u>- Mayor Stanforth performed the swearing in ceremony for Officer Ashley R. Dunn of the Wilmington Police Department.

Stanforth gave an update on the ongoing Vectren project for the city, stating they have completed several projects and will continue to do work in the upcoming weeks. Stanforth announced the retirement of Park Director Lori Williams, stating she has been an asset to the parks and will be greatly missed. Stanforth reported the area designated for the Splash Park has been marked off for the start of construction, and work on the remodeled restroom has begun.

Stanforth reported the scaffolding is temporarily down at the Murphy Theatre, and once the replacement parts have been manufactured, it will go back up while they finish the repair. Stanforth announced Mike Crowe from the Water Department had been promoted to Landfill Superintendent, noting his previous years of service to the City. Stanforth and Service and Safety Director Shidaker recently had a Landfill meeting with the EPA that went very well.

Stanforth stated the Library Easter Egg Hunt will be held on Saturday from 9am-11:30 and it is a rain or shine event.

Stanforth stated HR Director Jeanne Pope notified him the city will be receiving a six figure refund due to some changes in Workers Comp. Stanforth also stated they will also be receiving an additional check for the "great claims year", which Stanforth said is a testament to how safe our city workers are on the job.

Stanforth reminded everyone of the Methodist Church Lenten Lunch on Wednesday as well as the Catholic Church Fish Fry on Friday.

AUDITOR

<u>Auditor</u> – Auditor Hollingsworth was absent.

COMMITTEE REPORTS AND ACTION

Asset, Acquisition and Use - Chairperson Purkey had no action items.

<u>Cemetery Committee</u> – Chairperson J. McKay had no action items. J. McKay said they are still looking for volunteers and donations. Contact the Service Director's Office for more information.

<u>Downtown Revitalization Committee</u> – Convener M. McKay deferred to Purkey, who stated the Wine Walk had sold 501 tickets and there are still a few tickets available for the later flight. The Murphy Theatre will be hosting the Muttville Comics on Saturday.

Finance Committee – Chairperson M. McKay stated there were three agenda items to go over. M. McKay introduced O-17-11, making supplemental appropriations. From the Sewer Fund to "Taxes" the sum of \$12,000.00 to pay taxes for the Texatron Building which is in an Enterprise Zone, from the General Fund to "Parking Lot Maintenance" the sum of \$23,000.00 that will pay to seal coat and striping for five lots including, some of the park parking lots. Also to be appropriated; from the General Fund to "Transfer to Retained Hotel Lodging Tax Fund" the sum of \$77,531.85, from the Retained Hotel Lodging Tax Fund to "RHLT Grants" the sum of \$77,531.85, which creates a specific line for the hotel lodging tax to be used for grants, from the Police Fund to "K-9 Program" the sum of \$1,200.00, from the Water Fund to "Ohio Bureau of Employment Services" the sum of \$773.76, and from the Unclaimed Funds Fund to "Unclaimed Funds Expense" the sum of \$10,000.00 which is a new fund required by the State Auditor.

A motion was made by M. McKay and seconded Swindler by to give the first reading only on Ordinance No. <u>O-17-11</u>- Making supplemental appropriations. All yeas.

The Law Director read the Ordinance by title only.

A motion was made by M. McKay and seconded by Swindler to suspend the rules and regulations and give the second and third reading on the Ordinance. Roll call.

Purkey, yes; Spicer, yes; J. McKay, yes; Swindler, yes; Liermann, yes; M. McKay. The Law Director read the Ordinance by title only.

A motion was made by M. McKay and seconded by Swindler to pass the Ordinance as read.

Roll call.

Spicer, yes; J. McKay, yes; Swindler, yes; Liermann, yes; M. McKay, yes; Purkey, yes.

President of Council declared O-17-11 passed as read

M. McKay introduced the second piece of legislation, making miscellaneous transfers from "Vehicle Fuel" to "Motor Vehicle the sum of \$3,000.00 for outfitting of a new police vehicle and from "Service Payments" to "Direct Deductions" the sum of \$2,584.34 which is a charge by the County Auditor to take care of funds for the Jump Hanger. Clerk Miller stated the legislation doesn't contain the second transfer for the Jump Hanger and it needs to be amended.

A motion was made by M. McKay and seconded Swindler by to give the first reading only on Ordinance No. <u>O-17-12</u> as amended Making miscellaneous transfers. All yeas.

The Law Director read the Ordinance by title only.

A motion was made by M. McKay and seconded by Swindler to suspend the rules and regulations and give the second and third reading on the Ordinance as amended. Roll call.

J. McKay, yes; Swindler, yes; Liermann, yes; M. McKay, yes; Purkey, yes; Spicer, yes. The Law Director read the Ordinance by title only.

A motion was made by M. McKay and seconded by Swindler to pass the Ordinance as amended.

Roll call.

Swindler, yes; Liermann, yes; M. McKay, yes; Purkey, yes; Spicer, yes; J. McKay, yes.

President of Council declared O-17-12 passed as amended.

M. McKay introduced the final piece of resolution containing a list of "Then and Now" items which were appropriated last year, but will be paid this year.

A motion was made by M. McKay and seconded by Swindler to give the first reading only on Resolution No. <u>R-17-17</u>, a Resolution authorizing the payment of expenses incurred in the prior fiscal year.

All yeas.

The Law Director read the Resolution by title only.

A motion was made by M. McKay and seconded by Swindler to suspend the rules and regulations and give the second and third reading on the Resolution.
Roll call.

Swindler, yes; Liermann, yes; M. McKay; Purkey, yes; Spicer, yes; J. McKay, yes. The Law Director read the Resolution by title only.

A motion was made by M. McKay and seconded by Swindler to pass the Resolution as read.

Roll call.

Liermann, yes; M. McKay, yes; Purkey, yes; Spicer, yes; J. McKay, yes; Swindler, yes.

President of Council declared R-17-17 passed as read

<u>Judiciary Committee</u> – Chairperson Purkey introduced Ordinance O-17-13, which would allow the Director of Public Service and Safety to evaluate the utility rates each year for Water, Wastewater, and Sanitation and would advise Council if they need to be raised, maintained, or lowered. Purkey stated this is important for ongoing transparency.

A motion was made by Purkey and seconded J. McKay by to give the first reading only on Ordinance No. <u>O-17-13</u> an Ordinance requesting the Director of Public Service to present an annual report of utility billing rates to the legislative authority. All yeas.

The Law Director read the Ordinance by title only.

Purkey asked that a second reading be placed on the agenda for the next Council meeting.

<u>Parks and Recreation Committee</u> – Chairperson Liermann addressed Lori Williams retirement. Liermann remarked on her qualities of leadership, passion, and vision. Liermann commended her on five years of successful fundraising and wished her well.

M. McKay stated there has be a 180-degree turn around since she started and the retirement was part of her ongoing plan.

<u>Safety/ Transportation Committee</u> – Chairperson Spicer had one piece of legislation regarding a grant for the Transit System giving the Mayor authorization to enter into a proposal for a grant and it will help to computerize dispatch and other parts of the transit service. Spicer stated there isn't a match for this grant.

A motion was made by Spicer and seconded by Purkey to give the first reading only on Resolution No. R-17-16, Authorizing the submittal of a proposal and all understanding, certifications, and assurances with the Ohio Department of Transportation for a grant through the US DOT Federal Transit Administration (FTA), as authorized under the Consolidated and Further Continuing Appropriations Act, 2015 (PUB.L. 113-235) (FY 2015 TIGER Discretionary Grant) and execution of a contract with the Ohio Department of Transportation upon grant proposal acceptance.

All yeas.

The Law Director read the Resolution by title only.

A motion was made by Spicer and seconded by M. McKay to suspend the rules and regulations and give the second and third reading on the Resolution. Roll call.

M. McKay, yes; Purkey, yes; Spicer, yes; J. McKay, yes; Swindler, yes; Liermann, yes.

The Law Director read the Resolution by title only.

A motion was made by Spicer and seconded by J. McKay to pass the Resolution as read. Roll call.

Purkey, yes; Spicer, yes; J. McKay, yes; Swindler, yes; Liermann, yes; M. McKay.

President of Council declared R-17-16 passed as read

Spicer stated there will be a Public Hearing held at the next Council meeting regarding the permanent change in hours for the Transit System. M. McKay inquired about how the public was being notified. Clerk Miller stated it has been published in the newspaper as legally required, and it will also continue to be shared on the city's website as well as on social media.

Solid Waste/Recycling - Chairperson Spicer had no action items.

<u>Streets Committee</u> – Chairperson Spicer had no action items but stated they had recently had a Streets meeting and have been discussing several different issues. Spicer stated the curb painting will resume in May. Plans are going forward to make Applegate Street a one way and there are numerous paving projects upcoming. Spicer also stated Prairie Avenue discussions continue about the speed limit. There has been discussion about a School Zone or crosswalk for Davids Drive and both would continue to be addressed in committee.

Wastewater/Sewer Committee - Chairperson Stuckert was absent. No action items.

Water Committee - Chairperson Swindler had no action items.

<u>Safety/Service Director</u> – Director Shidaker gave an update on the fluoride project. Shidaker explained the pre-fabricated structure will take 4-5 months to manufacture and he will wait until he has the actual numbers before providing those to Council. Shidaker also stated the entire fluoridation process would probably take a year. They are currently just in the planning and design stages. Shidaker reassured Council that the public will be notified well in advance before the fluoride is introduced into the water supply.

Shidaker addressed the conversation with the County Commissioners regarding Sound Stag. Shidaker stated the newspaper's interpretation of the meeting stated there was "friction and resistance", but he stated it was an open and honest conversation. Shidaker stated the agreement had expired and the sound state needs repairs or the possibility of purchasing a new one. Shidaker stated the plan is to work with the Commissioners.

M. McKay inquired about the plan to educate the public about fluoridation. Shidaker stated they did not get the NACCHO (National Association of City and County Health Organizations) Grant for fluoridation, but the city can reapply next year. Swindler stated there are grants for community education and awareness available and that is something they can look into.

REPORTS TO COUNCIL

A motion was made by Swindler and seconded by J. McKay to accept the Income Tax Report and the Auditor Treasurer Report as presented.

Motion passed.

Reports accepted as presented.

OPEN TO PUBLIC

ADJOURNMENT

A motion was made by M. McKay.

President Riley declared meeting adjourned.

Council adjourned at 8:09 p.m.

ATTEST:

President of Council

Clerk