

Wilmington City Council met in regular session on Thursday, May 18<sup>th</sup>, 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, absent; Spicer, present; Stuckert, present; J. McKay, present; Swindler, present; Liermann, present; M. McKay, present.

Chief Weyand was present.

A motion was made by Spicer and seconded by Stuckert to excuse the absent member.  
All yeas.  
Motion passed.  
Absent member excused.

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

**MOMENT OF SILENCE**

**PRESIDENT OF COUNCIL**

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

A motion was made by Swindler and seconded by J. McKay to approve the May 4<sup>th</sup> minutes as received  
Motion passed.  
Minutes approved as received.

President Riley opened the floor for the Public Hearing regarding LT Land Development's request for rezoning for 25.2 acres on Progress Way.  
Bill Peele reviewed the history of development of Progress Way and appealed to council that the only reasonable zoning is light business.  
President Riley stated this has already been passed through the Planning Commission.

President Riley declared the Public Hearing closed at 7:36pm.

**MAYOR**

Mayor Stanforth presented the Police Week Proclamation to Chief Weyand and honored the two officers who had fallen in the line of duty in the past 200 years, Officer John Van Doren and Officer Emery McCreight. Mayor Stanforth proclaimed May 15-20 as Police Week.

Stanforth introduced the new Superintendent of the Water Department Rick Shaffer, who has over 20 years treating water and came to the city highly recommended.  
Stanforth spoke briefly about the Volksmarch that will be taking place on Saturday.  
Stanforth stated that the city will have a new website in the next couple of months and came in \$10,000 under budget.

Stanforth stated they recently have received the streets report and they will soon be bringing the recommendations for repair to Council. Stanforth stated the Community Corrections department has been helping with the city landscaping in the Mural Lot and the Municipal Lot and thanked Judge Daugherty for supplying them.  
Mayor Stanforth introduced Liz Doherty who attends Pensacola Christian College in Florida and will be serving as an intern for the Mayor's Office during the summer.  
Stanforth stated that due to some unforeseen circumstances, the Splashpark and the Restroom project at the park are both delayed.

## AUDITOR

Auditor – Auditor Hollingsworth spoke briefly about the change in how the city is approaching obtaining insurance on the Water Bond reissuance.

## COMMITTEE REPORTS AND ACTION

Asset, Acquisition and Use – Chairperson Purkey was absent and there were no action items to present.

Cemetery Committee – Chairperson J. McKay had no action items but spoke briefly about the preparations for Memorial Day.

Downtown Revitalization Committee – Convener M. McKay stated that the Memorial Day parade would take place at 10am, beginning at the American Legion and ending at Sugar Grove Cemetery.

Finance Committee – Chairperson M. McKay had two items to present. M. McKay introduced Ordinance No. O-17-27, Making supplemental appropriations, from the Taxi Fund to “Capital Vehicle Federal” the sum of \$129,316.00, from the Taxi Fund to “Capital Vehicle Local Share” the sum of \$14,368.00, from the Taxi Fund to “Capital Vehicle” the sum of (\$77,514.00), from the Waste Fund to “Property/Casualty” the sum of \$350.00, from the Police Fund to “Property/Casualty” the sum of \$2,340.00, from the Taxi Fund to “Property/Casualty” the sum of \$230.00, from the Police Fund to “Fingerprint” the sum of \$1,200.00, from the Water Fund to “Transfer to Water Bond Reserve” the sum of \$600,000.00, from the Water Fund to “Match-OPWC-Fife Ave” the sum of \$47,810.50, from the Waste Fund to “Transfer to Bond Retirement” the sum of \$100,000.00, from the General Fund to “Flexbank Fees and Costs” the sum of \$1,000.00 and from the Waste Fund to “Tools/Misc Shop” the sum of \$2,500.00.

A motion was made by M. McKay and seconded by Swindler to give the first reading only on Ordinance No. O-17-27- 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.

Spicer, yes; Stuckert, yes; J. McKay, yes; Swindler, yes; Liermann, yes; M. McKay, 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 read.

Roll call.

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

President of Council declared O-17-27 passed as read

M. McKay introduced the second piece of legislation O-17-28, making miscellaneous transfers from “Salary Probation” to “Bureau of Employment Services” the sum of \$8,866.00 and from “Vehicle Fuel” to “Uniforms” the sum of \$3,500.00.

A motion was made by M. McKay and seconded Swindler by to give the first reading only on Ordinance No. O-17-28 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.

Roll call.

Stuckert, yes; J. McKay, yes; Swindler, yes; Liermann, yes; M. McKay, 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 read.

Roll call.

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

President of Council declared O-17-28 passed as read.

Judiciary Committee – Chairperson Purkey was absent. Committee member Swindler introduced Ordinance O-17-24 for a second reading.

Swindler introduced Ordinance No. O-17-24, an Ordinance repealing section 133.125 of the Wilmington Codified Ordinance in its entirety, this is referring to the payment in lieu of health insurance, which they are no longer allowed to do.

A motion was made by Purkey and seconded by Liermann to give the second reading only on Ordinance No. O-17-24, An Ordinance repealing section 133.125 of the Wilmington Codified Ordinance in its entirety.

All yeas.

The Law Director read the Ordinance by title only.

Swindler requested the third reading of the Ordinance be placed on the agenda for the next meeting.

Parks and Recreation Committee – Chairperson Liermann had no action items

Safety/ Transportation Committee – Chairperson Spicer had no action items

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

Streets Committee – Chairperson Spicer had three action items, a third reading on Ordinance No. O-17-20 regarding the addition of crosswalks on Elm Street and College Street and restricting parking in various campus locations, a third reading on O-17-16 amending the traffic control map to make Applegate Street a one-way, and a first reading only on O-17-29 removing one parking space on North Mulberry Street.

A motion was made by Spicer and seconded by M. McKay to give the third reading only on Ordinance No. O-17-20, An Ordinance amending the traffic control map and the traffic control file to include adding two (2) crosswalks at the intersection of Elm Street and College Street and various no parking sections.

All yeas.

The Law Director read the Ordinance by title only.

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

All yeas.

President of Council declared O-17-20 passed as read.

A motion was made by Spicer and seconded by M. McKay to give the third reading only on Ordinance No. O-17-16, An Ordinance amending the traffic control map and the traffic control file making Applegate Street a One-Way street from Columbus Street to Rombach Avenue.

All yeas.

The Law Director read the Ordinance by title only.

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

All yeas.

President of Council declared O-17-16 passed as read.

Spicer introduced O-17-29, removing a parking space on North Mulberry due to visibility issues.

A motion was made by Spicer and seconded by J. McKay to give the first reading only on Ordinance No. O-17-29, Amending the Traffic Control Map and the Traffic Control File removing one (1) parking space located on the east side of N. Mulberry Street.

All yeas.

The Law Director read the Ordinance by title only.

Spicer asked that a second reading be added to the agenda for the next meeting.

Spicer opened the floor for the Prairie Road speed limit discussion stating it has been discussed in committee. Spicer stated the current speed limit is 25 and the engineer's recommendation is to increase it to 35. Spicer stated Chief Weyand's opinion is that the speed remain at 25 and Spicer said he respects his opinion.

Mayor Stanforth stated that the county roads that come into Wilmington all have a 35 mile an hour speed limit. Stanforth said Fife, Nelson, Lincoln, Wayne Avenue, Truesdell, Cuba all are 35 and the only one that is not is Prairie.

Joann Allen who lives on Prairie Avenue is concerned about the speed on the street, and is concerned that will be going even faster with a higher speed limit.

Susie Starkey who also lives on Prairie stated people fly down the road. Ms. Starkey is also concerned about the tall grass at Timber Tech.

J. McKay stated he has spoken to his citizens and they do not want the speed raised. Spicer stated he plans to move the issue back to committee.

Linda Achor stated that a truck ran over the sidewalk and hit a sign and they could have hit a person walking. Ms. Achor stated she is against raising the limit.

Wastewater/Sewer Committee - Chairperson Stuckert had no action items.

Water Committee - Chairperson Swindler had one piece of legislation concerning the contract with the Ohio Department of Natural Resources, moving money from the Water Fund to "ODNR Payment" the sum of \$140,000.00. Swindler asked Shidaker to explain the need for legislation and their concerns. Shidaker stated the city is currently in a contract with the state regarding the maintenance and repair costs the city pays for Caesars Creek. The state has not been responsive to their requests for information to find out what the itemized costs are for the upkeep. Shidaker stated he is reaching out to federal and state representatives to find out more about the contract and has been requesting help getting an itemized bill. Shidaker stated they need to know what they are paying for but he doesn't want to breach the current contract until the information is provided to the city, so they have to continue to pay on the contract.

A motion was made by Swindler and seconded by M. McKay to give the first reading only on Ordinance No. O-17-26 Making supplemental appropriations.

All yeas.

The Law Director read the Ordinance by title only.

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

Roll call.

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

The Law Director read the Ordinance by title only.

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

Roll call.

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

President of Council declared O-17-26 passed as read.

Safety/Service Director -- Director Shidaker stated he was very proud of the street maintenance and repair plan that will be introduced in June. The plan that has been developed will take about 4 years and is broken into quadrants. The repair will start on the Northwest Quadrant. Shidaker stated none of the street repairs would be possible without the tax increase.

## **REPORTS TO COUNCIL**

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

Motion passed.

Report accepted as presented.

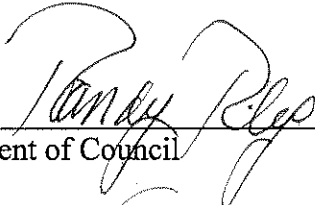
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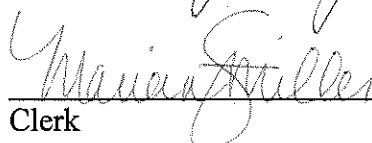
Bill Liermann spoke briefly about Ron Sexton's retirement from Wilmington City Schools and the difference it has made to the district. Liermann also stated it was Joe Spicer's birthday, and led council and the audience in a rendition of "Happy Birthday".

**ADJOURNMENT**

A motion was made by J. McKay.  
President Riley declared meeting adjourned.  
Council adjourned at 8:50 p.m.

ATTEST:

  
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President of Council

  
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Clerk