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February 16, 2023

Wauseon City Council
230 Clinton Street
Wauseon, Ohio 43567

RE: Council Meeting of February 20, 2023

Dear Council Members:

We are not aware of anyone wishing to address Council at the beginning of the meeting.

The Park Board will present a report and recommend that Laura Kamp be authorized to oversee and make decisions regarding the native grasslands project at Homecoming Park.

There will be a first reading on Ordinance 2023-1 (emergency), which increases the rate of compensation for members of City Council. There will also be a first reading on Ordinance 2023-2 (emergency), which increases the rate of compensation for the Mayor.

There will be a first reading on Resolution 2023-4, which authorizes the Mayor to advertise for bids for street resurfacing and to award a contract to the lowest and best bidder.

There will be a second reading on Resolution 2023-2, which authorizes the Mayor to enter into an agreement with the Ohio Department of Transportation for funding for the installation of a hybrid beacon on North Shoop Avenue at the Wabash Cannonball Trail crossing.

There is no legislation for third reading.

These are the only issues I am aware of to come before Council. Should any member of Council have any questions or comments, you are strongly encouraged to contact the appropriate Department Head prior to the meeting.

Respectfully submitted,

Thomas A. McWatters III
City Law Director

TAM:kn
cc: Kathy Huner, Mayor
Korin Miller, Clerk of Council
Jamie Giguere, Finance Director
The Blade

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WAUSEON CITY COUNCIL AGENDA
February 20, 2023
5:00 pm

Order of Business

1. Call meeting to order
2. Pledge of Allegiance
3. Moment of Silence
4. Roll Call
 - a) Councilor Chamberlin
 - b) Councilor Heising
 - c) Councilor Schneider
 - d) Councilor Stickley
 - e) Council President Stiriz
 - f) Councilor Tijerina
5. Approval of prior meeting minutes:
 - Council Meeting: February 6, 2023
 - Committee of the Whole: February 16, 2023
 - Motion to approve the prior meeting minutes moved by _____ and seconded by _____.

All in favor:
6. Names of Individuals Wishing to Address Council and Topic
7. Department Head Reports
 - a) Phil Kessler, Fire Chief
 - b) Kevin Chittenden, Police Chief
 - c) Keith Torbet, Director of Public Service
 - d) Jamie Giguere, Director of Finance
 - e) Thomas McWatters III, Law Director
8. Committee Report
 - a) Park Board: February 14, 2023
 - Recommendation to allow Laura Kamp to oversee and make decisions regarding the native grasslands project at Homecoming Park moved by _____ and seconded by _____
 - Vote: ____ Yeas ____ Nays
9. First Reading of Legislation or Emergency
 - a) **Resolution 2023-4**: A Resolution Authorizing The Mayor To Advertise For Bids For Street Resurfacing; Authorizing The Mayor To Accept The Lowest And Best Bid; And Authorizing The Mayor To Enter Into A Contract With The Lowest And Best Bidder

- Motion to place Resolution 2023-2 on first reading moved by _____ and seconded by _____

- Vote: __ Yeas __ Nays

b) **Ordinance 2023-1:** An Ordinance Increasing The Pay Scale For Members Of Council Of The City Of Wauseon; And Declaring An Emergency

- Motion to place Ordinance 2023-1 on emergency reading moved by _____ and seconded by _____

- Vote: __ Yeas __ Nays

- Motion to place Ordinance 2023-1 on final reading and the final reading be passed moved by _____ and seconded by _____

- Vote: __ Yeas __ Nays

c) **Ordinance 2023-2:** An Ordinance Increasing The Pay Scale For The Mayor Of The City Of Wauseon; And Declaring An Emergency

- Motion to place Ordinance 2023-2 on emergency reading moved by _____ and seconded by _____

- Vote: __ Yeas __ Nays

- Motion to place Ordinance 2023-2 on final reading and the final reading be passed moved by _____ and seconded by _____

- Vote: __ Yeas __ Nays

10. Second Reading of Legislation or Emergency

a) **Resolution 2023-2:** A Resolution Authorizing The Mayor To Enter Into An LPA Federal Local-let Project Agreement For Installation Of A Pedestrian Hybrid Beacon At The Wabash Cannonball Trail Crossing On North Shoop Avenue

- Motion to place Resolution 2023-2 on second reading moved by _____ and seconded by _____

- Vote: __ Yeas __ Nays

11. Third Reading of Legislation or Emergency

12. New Business

13. Old Business

14. Approval of the Bills

- a) Motion to approve and pay the bills as presented moved by _____ and seconded by _____

- Vote: ____ Yeas ____ Nays

16. Adjournment

- a) Motion to adjourn moved by _____ and seconded by _____.

All in favor:

Korin Miller
Clerk of Council

Council reserves the right to adjourn into Executive Session at any time it deems appropriate. The distribution of this Agenda does not obligate Council to take action on the items set forth herein, nor does it limit Council from taking action on other items not on the Agenda. The items listed on the Agenda are subject to change. If additional items are added, Council will use its best effort to notify all interested parties of changes prior to the meeting.

**WAUSEON CITY COUNCIL
COUNCIL MEETING
Monday, February 6, 2023**

Mayor Huner called this meeting of the Wauseon City Council to order at 5:00 p.m. in the Council Chambers. She led the Pledge of Allegiance which was followed by a moment of silence.

ROLL CALL

Roll was taken by the Clerk of Council. Present were Council President Stiriz, and Councilors, Heising, Schneider, Tijerina, Chamberlin and Stickley to constitute a quorum for the transaction of city business.

MINUTES

Mayor Huner asked for a motion to approve the prior meeting minutes. Councilor Stickley moved and seconded by Councilor Heising to approve the minutes as printed.

All in favor: Motion Passed Unanimously

DEPARTMENT REPORTS

Chief Kessler gave a report from his department. He said they have a new part time employee. He has his fire certification, and he is working on getting his EMT certification. He said over the past couple of weeks the Fire Department aided in two structure fires and one vehicle fire. He would like to thank the community for their patience during the power outage on Linfoot Street and Shoop Avenue. Last week Chief Kessler, Director Giguere, Mayor Huner, and Council President Stiriz, met with labor management. The changes were given to Law Director McWatters for finalization.

Chief Chittenden gave a report from his department. They are working through the background faze of hiring for the dispatch positions. They have 5 applicants and 3 will be hired. He has posted for the Sargent position. The test for that will be February 18, 2023. He has internal candidates for that position.

Mayor Huner thanked them both for the work their departments did during the power outage. She also thanked the community for their patience.

Keith Torbet gave a report from his department. He explained that they have applied for two grants. The first one is through the EPA for their own leak detection equipment. The grant is for \$11,000. \$10,000 would be coming from the grant and \$1,000 would be coming from their budget to cover the cost. Right now, they are utilizing costly outside companies for leak detections. The Fulton County Economic Development Incorporation has also applied for a grant for city energy audits through the USDA. This will allow small businesses and corporations to do energy audits. They will be able to utilize the information from the audit, for low interest on financing, to upgrade their businesses to be more energy efficient. He said it is nice the city isn't having to deal with too much snow so far this year. They are working on indoor projects.

Councilor Tijerina asked Keith Torbet if the melting snow was causing the Water Treatment Plant any issues. Keith Torbet said no, but they still have high water usage. He thinks there is still another water leak somewhere.

Councilor Heising asked Keith Torbet if there was any training involved if they were to get the new leak detection equipment. Keith Torbet said it does require training, but it is basic.

Jamie Giguere gave a report from her department. She explained that the new HR/Payroll Clerk position has been posted. She is taking applications until February 17, 2023.

Councilor Tijerina asked if she was getting a lot of traction. Jamie Giguere said she was.

Councilor Chamberlin asked if interested applicants were to reach out to her directly. Jamie Giguere said yes.

Tom McWatters had nothing to report from his department.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Council President Stiriz gave a report on the previous Tree Commission Meeting on January 30th. John Alexander had given an update on his tree removal list. He is about halfway through his list of 50 trees that need to be removed. Council President Stiriz said most of the meeting was discussion over the Tree City Award Event that Wauseon will be hosting in May. He said Nate Andre will be the guest speaker at the event. He explained that Reginal Forester, Stephanie Miller was scheduled to do a Tree Assessment at Reighard Park on January 30, 2023, due to weather it is rescheduled for March 6, 2023.

FIRST READING OF LEGISLATION OR EMERGENCY

Resolution 2023-2: A Resolution Authorizing The Mayor To Enter Into An LPA Federal Local-let Project Agreement For Installation Of A Pedestrian Hybrid Beacon At The Wabash Cannonball Trail Crossing On North Shoop Avenue

Motion to place Resolution 2023-2 on first reading moved by Councilor Stickley and Seconded by Councilor Tijerina.

Vote: 6 Yeas 0 Nays Motion Carries

Resolution 2023-3: A Resolution Authorizing The Mayor To Enter Into An Agreement With Paylocity For Human Resource And Payroll Services; And Declaring An Emergency

Motion to place Resolution 2023-3 on emergency reading moved by Councilor Stickley and Seconded by Councilor Heising.

Harold Stickley explained that he wasn't comfortable with this resolution due to not being able to access the Paylocity Contract via email. Stickley also stated that he thinks the city getting working with Paylocity is a conflict of interest. Councilor Chamberlin recommended that in the future Councilor Stickley is given a paper copy of the council packet containing all the information for the upcoming council meeting. Councilor Heising asked if the department heads and legal counsel was comfortable with the language of the digital storage of information if the city were to change vendors in the future. Tom McWatters said in that scenario the city would continue to own that information and it would not be something that Paylocity would be able to retain. Council members discussed that Paylocity does benefit each department and city employees.

Vote: 4 Yeas 1 Nays (Councilor Chamberlin) 1 Abstain (Councilor Stickley) Motion Carries

Motion to place Resolution 2023-3 on final reading and the final reading be passed moved by Councilor Heising and Seconded by Council President Stiriz.

Vote: 5 Yeas 1 Nays (Councilor Chamberlin) Motion Carries

THERE WAS NO LEGISLATION UNDER SECOND OR THIRD READING

OLD BUSINESS

Councilor Stickley said he spoke to Jim Kerr regarding the Christmas parade. Councilor Stickley had told Jim Kerr to speak with Mayor Huner and Keith Torbet regarding any issues. Councilor Stickley wanted to bring up the topic to council on Jim Kerr's behalf. Mayor Huner said she has addressed Jim Kerr when he came to address council at a previous council meeting.

Councilor Schneider said he had someone approach him about the trucks at Hill Manufacturing blocking Legget Street. Mayor Huner asked if he told that person to call the city, Councilor Schneider said yes. Mayor Huner recommended that that person contact Hill Manufacturing.

APPROVAL OF BILLS

Motion to approve and pay the bills as presented moved by Councilor Schneider and seconded by Councilor Chamberlin.

Vote: 6 Yeas 0 Nays Motion Carries

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Motion to Enter into Executive Session for the purpose of considering the appointment, employment, dismissal, discipline, promotion, demotion, or compensation of a public employee or official moved by Councilor Tijerina and seconded by Councilor Heising.

Vote: 6 Yeas 0 Nays Motion Carries

Council Executive session at 6:28.

No action was taken.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, Councilor Chamberlin moved and seconded by Councilor Schneider to adjourn this meeting at 6:30 p.m.

All in favor: *Motion Passed Unanimously*

Korin Miller, Clerk of Council

Scott Stiriz, President of Council

**WAUSEON CITY COUNCIL
COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE
THURSDAY, February 16, 2023**

Council President Stiriz called this meeting to order at 7:30 a.m. in Council Chambers. Present were Councilors, Stickley, Schneider, Tijerina, Heising and Chamberlin.

DEPARTMENT HEAD REPORTS

Chief Kessler gave a report for his department. He is still working with Tom McWatters on the civil services changes before he advertises for Fire Department positions. His staff is working on getting grants that will go towards upgrades for the building. This month they put body armor on their trucks. He wanted to remind everyone that the Fireman's Dinner is February 21, 2023.

Chief Chittenden gave a report for his department. He told council they will be hiring 2 new full-time dispatchers. He explained that this upcoming Saturday is the Sargent test.

Keith Torbet gave a report for his department. He explained Resolution 2023-4 to council. He said everything is ready to go to do the sanitary sewer between Oak Street, Fulton Street, Jefferson Street and Walnut Street. He has met with the architect to start the preliminary drawings for the reconstruction of West Chestnut Street. He said they did find a water leak at Pizza Hut, it was their service line. It is now repaired. Phase one and two drawings have been submitted to the state for the resurfacing of Oak Street between Shoop Avenue and Fulton Street. He said the city did receive a grant for that project.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Councilor Stickley gave a report from the previous Park Board meeting on February 14, 2023. He explained the recommendation that will be on the Council Agenda. *Recommendation to allow Laura Kamp to oversee and make decisions regarding the native grasslands project at Homecoming Park.* Councilor Stickley said the Park Board Committee discussed the grass at Biddle Park. The park board committee discussed different approaches to reseeding the fields. They have not come to a final decision on this topic.

THERE WILL BE THREE PIECES OF LEGISLATION UNDER FIRST READING

Ordinance 2023-1: An Ordinance Increasing The Pay Scale For Members Of Council Of The City Of Wauseon; And Declaring An Emergency

Ordinance 2023-2: An Ordinance Increasing The Pay Scale For The Mayor Of The City Of Wauseon; And Declaring An Emergency

Resolution 2023-4: A Resolution Authorizing The Mayor To Advertise For Bids For Street Resurfacing; Authorizing The Mayor To Accept The Lowest And Best Bid; And Authorizing The Mayor To Enter Into A Contract With The Lowest And Best Bidder

THERE WILL BE ONE PIECE OF LEGISLATION UNDER SECOND READING

Resolution 2023-2: A Resolution Authorizing The Mayor To Enter Into An LPA Federal Local-let Project Agreement For Installation Of A Pedestrian Hybrid Beacon At The Wabash Cannonball Trail Crossing On North Shoop Avenue

THERE WILL BE NO LEGISLATION UNDER THIRD READING

There being no further business, this meeting adjourned at 8:00 a.m.

Korin Miller, Clerk of Council

Scott Stiriz, Council President

**PARK BOARD
COUNCIL CHAMBERS
TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 14, 2022
7:00 AM**

MEMBERS PRESENT: Larry Zimmerman, Dave Carroll, Russ Pauley, and Brooke Conrad

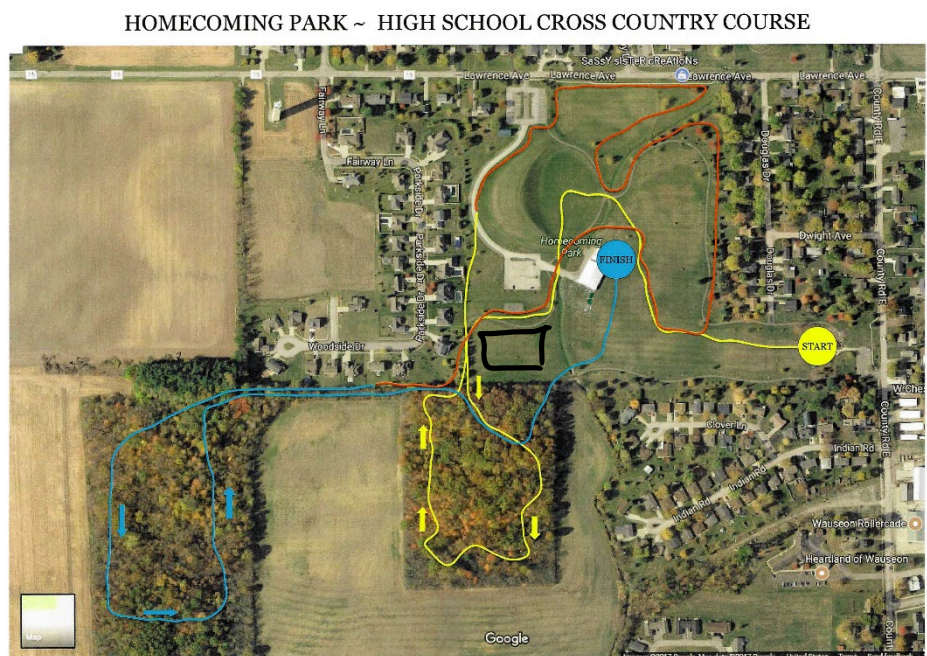
STAFF: Scott Stiriz, Keith Torbet, Brooke Baumgartner, Harold Stickley, Hugo Barajas, Matt Mennetti, and John Arps

GUESTS: Tom Vernot, Mike Colon, and Tom McWatters

ABSENT: Lisa Vajen

MATTER: Cross Country Course – Homecoming Park/ Native grasslands at Homecoming Park

Tom Vernot, Mike Colon, and Tom McWatters were present to discuss how the native grasslands at Homecoming Park could potentially interfere with the High School cross-country course. Tom Vernot provided the map, as pictured, to show the cross-country course and Tom McWatters described the course. Keith Torbet mentioned that Council voted to only allow a smaller section of Homecoming



YELLOW – 1st MILE, RED – 2nd MILE, BLUE - 3rd MILE

Park to be grasslands, as pictured by the black rectangle in the image. Larry Zimmerman mentioned that he believes the plan will be to put paths throughout the grasslands, just like the paths in the woods, so if it did interfere with the route, they would still be able to run through it. Hugo Barajas asked how many home meets they host a year. Mike Colon said it depends, but typically two (2) to three (3) meets a year. Keith asked if other schools utilize the trails. He said yes, Pettisville utilizes it a couple of times a week, as well as Archbold. Tom McWatters asked if it would be helpful for them to mark the paths when it comes time to plant the grass. Park Board agreed that this would be helpful.

Keith Torbet shared that Laura Kamp, who is on the Tree Commission, started this project. Since it is in Homecoming Park, it went to the Park Board for approval. Keith Torbet asked if Tree Commission and Park Board want to work together on this project, or if Park Board would like Laura Kamp to continue to be in charge of the project. This would include where the trails will go, what types of grass would be planted, and other pertinent details. Dave Carroll said that Laura Kamp has been reaching out to people, and he believes she wants to be in charge of the project. Park Board members agreed.

Recommendation to allow Laura Kamp to oversee and make decisions regarding the native grasslands project at Homecoming Park moved by Dave Carroll and seconded by Larry Zimmerman

All in Favor: *Motion passed unanimously*

MATTER: Biddle Park Seeding

Keith Torbet said that he is aware of the concerns regarding the grass not growing after the tiling done in the Biddle Park fields. He shared that the City plans to work the ground, get a slit seeder, and replant grass in the spring. He shared that the irrigation system is working, and they will utilize that to help keep the ground damp. He realizes that the weather conditions in the fall were not ideal for seeding/growing grass.

Larry Zimmerman shared that he reached out to Josh Sager with Custom Turf Solutions and provided a quote to reseed the fields for \$7,600. Keith Torbet shared that he thinks that is a large amount of money to spend on something he believes the Public Works Department can do. He shared that the fields can still be used even if the grass does not fully grow in by fall season. Keith Torbet said his solution would cost around \$500.

Brook Conrad asked Keith Torbet if he had walked the Biddle Park fields. Keith Torbet said no, he has not. Brook Conrad said the fields are mush, and if we don't get grass seed on top of it then the fields will not be usable. Keith Torbet said that this was something that was discussed prior to making the decision to tile the fields. He said Park Board knew that it was a possibility that the four (4) tiled fields would not be ready, and that's why we did not do all eight (8). He said there is nothing we can do to help the grass grow at this time. Once the weather is nicer, he believes public works can do a sufficient job of getting the grass to grow.

Brook Conrad shared that Josh Sager's plan is to come in when the weather breaks, seed it, cover it, and fine-tune it. He shared that he believes this method would help the fields look very nice. Matt Menetti shared that there's a look part of it and a functionality part of it. He said that he would like the fields to ultimately look good. He also said if the ground is mush and the fields aren't functional then it will affect his program schedules. He said his schedule has games on all eight (8) fields sometimes, and if they can only utilize four (4), it may lead to cancelations.

Scott Stiriz said he agreed with Keith Torbet. He recognized that the weather greatly affects how grass grows.

Matt Mennetti said that he is prepared and assuming that the fields will not be ideal or look like they did before. He said there needs to be a maximum effort to try to make them look the best they can so games can be played on them.

Larry Zimmerman said he has used Josh Sager personally and was very impressed with his grass-growing abilities. He said Josh Sager's commitment to the fields will almost guarantee that there will be grass by ball season. He shared that Rotary paid \$5,000 for the tiling and \$1,100 for the seed. He shared that Rotary wants to make sure that the fields are done and will be playable by the spring, but they are not willing to spend more. He said he had a call with the Mayor, and she said not to worry about it and that she didn't want Rotary to pay for it. He communicated that Josh Sager said that he will do everything in his power to make sure the grass grows. Larry Zimmerman said he believes that the \$7,600 is worth it because there will be a better shot that the grass grows. Larry Zimmerman and Brook Conrad agreed that the Public Works Department has a lot of projects to do throughout the day and may not have time to babysit the grass. Josh Sager said he is willing to do that and guaranteed that there will be grass. Matt Mennetti added that he agreed and does not think we can compare the Public Works Department to Josh Sager's ability to grow grass in this situation, because Josh Sager does this every day for a living. Matt Mennetti said he would prefer to go with Josh Sager, but if the City decides they don't want to spend money on the project then that's fine.

Hugo Barajas said they are about six (6) weeks out and have numerous teams that will practice or play games and does not believe it would be possible to squeeze everything in on four (4) fields. He also said they have an early spring tournament scheduled, and the plan was to use all eight (8) fields.

Keith Torbet said the Park Board agreed and knew that it was a possibility when the tiling project was approved that the four (4) fields may not be ready in time for ball season. He said he has a certain park budget to stick to. He said this project will cost \$7,600 which will have to be pulled from another project, as this was not the initial plan. He clarified that something is going to have to get cut. He said if this is the route that Park Board wants to go, he will make adjustments.

Larry Zimmerman said he talked to the mayor for forty-five (45) minutes, and she communicated that the city has the money for this project. Keith Torbet said that he's not saying the money's not there, but he will have to pull that money from somewhere else.

Harold Stickley said that now is not the time to grow grass. He said it's February 14th. He said the seed will not germinate until it is at least fifty-five (55) degrees. He said no matter what is planted out there, it will not grow until the weather conditions are right. He said there is a lot of grass seed out there that was incorporated into the soil last fall. He said the trenches will have to be fixed this year, and all season long and even into next year. He said everyone knew that

there were going to be trenches and work to be done this season due to the tiling. He said the middle of February, is no time to change the plan.

Matt Mennetti said there isn't anything you can do right now to get the grass to grow, but it would be helpful to get a legitimate plan together for when the weather is right.

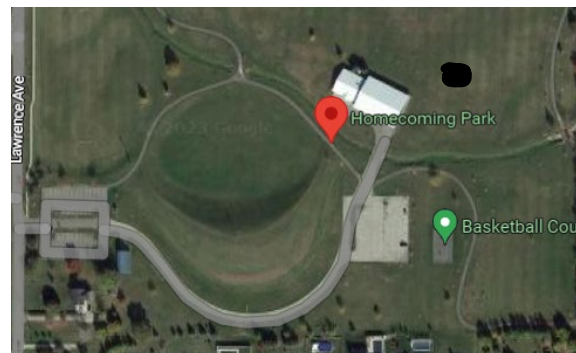
Scott Stiriz asked which budget the \$7,600 would come out of. Keith Torbet said he would have to pull it from the park budget.

Keith Torbet asked if there was a way to get the price down. Larry Zimmerman mentioned free advertising at Biddle Park. There was further discussion on this topic. Keith Torbet asked Matt Mennetti to reach out to Josh Sager to see if he could work on getting the price lowered.

Matter: Rotary Park Projects

Larry Zimmerman shared that Rotary is looking to improve some of the parks in Wauseon. He said they do a lot of fundraising and would like to slowly redo Wauseon Parks. He shared that he has been working with Playground Boss to gather some quotes. The company would provide turn-key playgrounds, but the city would need to remove the existing equipment. He discussed that he looked into different playground surfaces including poured-in-place rubber, rubber mulch, and regular mulch. He shared that a park with the poured-in-place rubber will cost \$120,000 for a 64' by 32' area and has a 10–15-year guarantee but will need to be redone at some point due to wear and tear. He said he believes the best option would be a park with rubber mulch. A park with rubber mulch will cost \$72,00 with a 12-15 year guarantee, but rubber mulch could be replaced, as needed. Replacement mulch would cost \$11,000 for 14 tons. He proposed having two main structures, one for ages 5-12 and one for ages 2-12. The goal would be to redo one (1) or two (2) parks per year over a five (5) year span. He would like to stay away from regular mulch, if possible. Keith Torbet said that he would like to see North Park get redone first as it has the oldest playground equipment, and has been vandalized numerous times. Larry Zimmerman said that will create a new vibe in that part of the city. He also mentioned that the \$72,000 would not fix the swing set area at the park. Keith Torbet said he could utilize some of the park budget to update the swing set area. Keith Torbet shared that he plans to meet with Rotary soon to narrow down the plans.

Larry Zimmerman also shared that Rotary would like to construct a new playground at Homecoming Park, near the pavilion, as represented by the black dot on the image. Keith Torbet said that is a great use of space and believes it will be utilized a lot.



This will most likely be voted on at the next Park Board Meeting, which will be held on March 14, 2023.

Motion to adjourn this meeting at 8:12 AM moved by Larry Zimmerman and seconded by Russ Pauley

All in favor: *Motion passed unanimously*

Respectfully submitted,
Brooke Baumgartner
Administrative Assistant

	Yes	No
Emergency	_____	_____
First Reading	_____	_____
Second Reading	_____	_____
Third Reading	_____	_____

RESOLUTION 2023-4

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO ADVERTISE FOR BIDS FOR STREET RESURFACING; AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO ACCEPT THE LOWEST AND BEST BID; AND AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO ENTER INTO A CONTRACT WITH THE LOWEST AND BEST BIDDER

WHEREAS, the City of Wauseon is desirous of maintaining its street surfaces for public use; and

WHEREAS, certain monies have been properly budgeted and appropriated for this purpose; and

WHEREAS, the Mayor should be authorized to accept the lowest and best bid within the budgetary constraints set for said purpose; and

WHEREAS, the specifications for the street resurfacing are currently on file in the office of the Clerk of Council; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Council of the City of Wauseon, Fulton County, Ohio, as follows:

Section 1.

That the Mayor be, and hereby is, authorized to advertise for bids pursuant to Ohio Law and the Codified Ordinances of the City of Wauseon, Ohio, for street resurfacing pursuant to the plans and specifications on file in the office of the Clerk of Council.

Section 2.

Upon compliance with the State of Ohio and the Codified Ordinances of the City of Wauseon, the Mayor is hereby authorized to accept the lowest and best bid in the amount budgeted for this purpose.

Section 3.

That the Mayor is further authorized to execute any and all documents necessary therefore.

Passed:

Kathy Huner, Mayor

Scott Stiriz, President of Council

Attest:

Korin Miller
Clerk of Council

Approved as to Form:

Thomas A. McWatters III
City Law Director

	Yes	No
Emergency	_____	_____
First Reading	_____	_____
Second Reading	_____	_____
Third Reading	_____	_____
Suspension	_____	_____

ORDINANCE NO. 2023-1

AN ORDINANCE INCREASING THE PAY SCALE FOR MEMBERS OF COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WAUSEON; AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY

WHEREAS, City of Wauseon Ordinance 2006-25 established the rate of compensation for members of City Council; and

WHEREAS, Ordinance 2006-25 was amended by Ordinance 2014-17; and

WHEREAS, Ordinance 2006-25, as amended, was vacated by Ordinance 2019-1, which established new rates of compensation for members of City Council: and

WHEREAS, the rate of compensation for members of City Council has not been increased since 2019; and

WHEREAS, this Ordinance should be declared an emergency measure necessary for the immediate preservation of the health, safety, and public welfare of the City because pursuant to Section 3.07 of the City's Charter, any increases in wages of elected officials must be adopted prior to March 1st in a given year;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Council of the City of Wauseon, Fulton County, Ohio, as follows:

Section 1

That City of Wauseon Ordinance 2019-1 shall be and hereby is vacated in its entirety;

Section 2

Effective January 1, 2026, each member of Council shall receive annual compensation in amount equal to the sum necessary to obtain one year's credit with the Ohio Public Employees Retirement System, payable monthly.

Section 3

That the President of Council shall receive an annual compensation in an amount equal to the amount set forth in Section 2, plus an additional \$1,500, the sum of which shall be payable monthly.

Section 4.

That this Resolution be, and hereby is, declared to be an emergency measure, necessary for the immediate preservation of health, safety, and public welfare of the citizens of the City of Wauseon, and shall be in full force and effect from and immediately after its passage.

Passed: _____

Kathy Huner, Mayor

Scott Stiriz, President
of Council

Attest: _____

Korin Miller
Clerk of Council

Approved as to Form:

Thomas A. McWatters III
City Law Director

	Yes	No
Emergency	_____	_____
First Reading	_____	_____
Second Reading	_____	_____
Third Reading	_____	_____
Suspension	_____	_____

ORDINANCE NO. 2023-2

AN ORDINANCE INCREASING THE PAY SCALE FOR THE MAYOR OF THE CITY OF WAUSEON; AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY

WHEREAS, City of Wauseon Ordinance 2006-25 established the rate of compensation for the Mayor; and

WHEREAS, Ordinance 2006-25 was amended by Ordinance 2014-18; and

WHEREAS, Ordinance 2006-26, as amended, was vacated in its entirety by Ordinance 2019-2, which established a new rate of compensation for the Mayor; and

WHEREAS, the rate of compensation for the Mayor has not been increased since 2019; and

WHEREAS, this Ordinance should be declared an emergency measure necessary for the immediate preservation of the health, safety, and public welfare of the City because pursuant to Section 3.07 of the City's Charter, any increases in wages of elected officials must be adopted prior to March 1st in a given year;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Council of the City of Wauseon, Fulton County, Ohio, as follows:

Section 1

That the Mayor of the City of Wauseon shall receive annual compensation of Twenty Thousand and 00/100 Dollars (\$20,000.00) per year beginning January 1, 2024, payable bi-weekly.

Section 2.

That this Resolution be, and hereby is, declared to be an emergency measure, necessary for the immediate preservation of health, safety, and public welfare of the citizens of the City of Wauseon, and shall be in full force and effect from and immediately after its passage.

Passed: _____

Kathy Huner, Mayor

Scott Stiriz, President
of Council

Attest: _____
Korin Miller
Clerk of Council

Approved as to Form:

Thomas A. McWatters III
City Law Director

	Yes	No
Emergency	_____	_____
First Reading	_____	_____
Second Reading	_____	_____
Third Reading	_____	_____

RESOLUTION 2023-2

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO ENTER INTO AN LPA FEDERAL LOCAL-LET PROJECT AGREEMENT FOR INSTALLATION OF A PEDESTRIAN HYBRID BEACON AT THE WABASH CANNONBALL TRAIL CROSSING ON NORTH SHOOP AVENUE

WHEREAS, the Wabash Cannonball Trail crossing at North Shoop Avenue presents a constant and continuing hazard to pedestrians accessing the Trail and who desire to cross North Shoop Avenue; and

WHEREAS, the City desires to install a hybrid beacon at the crossing to enhance the safety for pedestrians accessing the Trail and who desire to cross North Shoop Avenue; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to an LPA Federal Local-Let Project Agreement (“Agreement”), the Ohio Department of Transportation has agreed to contribute 90% of the funds necessary for installation of the beacon; and

WHEREAS, the City desires to enter into the Agreement to obtain the funding from ODOT for the installation of the beacon; and

WHEREAS, a copy of the Agreement is on file in the office of the Clerk of Council; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Council of the City of Wauseon, Fulton County, Ohio, as follows:

Section 1.

That the Mayor be, and hereby is, authorized to execute the Agreement, a copy of which is on file in the Office of the Clerk of Council.

Section 2.

That the Mayor is further authorized to execute any and all documents necessary therefore.

Passed:

Kathy Huner, Mayor

Scott Stiriz, President of Council

Attest: _____
Korin Miller
Clerk of Council

Approved as to Form:

Thomas A. McWatters III
City Law Director