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December 14, 2023

Wauseon City Council
230 Clinton Street
Wauseon, Ohio 43567

RE: Council Meeting of December 18, 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 the City investigate reconditioning two of the ball diamonds on the north-west end of Biddle Park for multi-purpose use.

The Tree Commission will also present a report.

There will be a first reading on Ordinance 2023-7, which is the Annual Appropriation Ordinance for Fiscal Year 2024. There will also be a first reading on Ordinance 2023-8 (emergency), which is the Law Director Ordinance for the period February 1, 2024, through January 31, 2026.

There will be a first reading on Resolution 2023-23 (emergency), which approves a wage increase for all full-time, non-union employees for 2023.

There will be a second reading on Ordinance 2023-6 (emergency), which amends Section 191 of the Codified Ordinances (Tax Code) to reflect recent changes in the municipal tax code passed by the Ohio Legislature, and Ordinance 2023-7 (emergency), which creates a new Section 1114.12 to the Codified Ordinances (in light of the recent passage of Issue 2) to prohibit the growing, harvesting, and sale of recreational cannabis within the City.

There will be a second reading on the following resolutions (each on emergency):

1. Resolution 2023-16, which authorizes the Mayor to enter into an agreement for a countywide emergency management agency.

2. Resolution 2023-17 (emergency), which authorizes the payment of holiday pay for all non-seasonal part-time employees who work on a holiday recognized by the City.
3. Resolution 2023-18, which authorizes the Mayor to enter into an agreement for indigent defense services in the County Court with the Fulton County Commissioners.
4. Resolution 2023-20, which authorizes the Mayor to enter into an agreement for health insurance coverage for 2024.
5. Resolution 2023-21, which authorizes the Mayor to enter into an agreement for life insurance and voluntary dental and vision insurance for full-time employees for 2024.

There is no legislation for third reading.

In new business, a motion will be necessary to accept the 2024 Holiday Schedule. A motion will also be necessary to authorize the Finance Director to pay all bills through December 31, 2023.

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:knp

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

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WAUSEON CITY COUNCIL AGENDA
December 18, 2023
5:00 pm

Order of Business

- Call meeting to order
- Pledge of Allegiance
- Moment of Silence
- Roll Call
 - a) Councilor Chamberlin
 - b) Councilor Heising
 - c) Councilor Schneider
 - d) Councilor Stickley
 - e) Council President Stiriz
 - f) Councilor Tijerina
- Approval of prior meeting minutes:
 - a) Council Meeting: December 4, 2023
 - b) Committee of the Whole: December 14, 2023
- Motion to approve the prior meeting minutes moved by _____ and seconded by _____.
All in favor:
- Committee Reports
 - a) Park Board: December 12, 2023
Recommendation that the City investigate reconditioning two of the ball diamonds on the north-west end of Biddle Park for multi-purpose use moved by _____ and seconded by _____.
 - Vote: ____ Yeas ____ Nays
 - b) Tree Commission: December 12, 2023
- Department Head Reports
 - a) Chief 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
- First Reading of Legislation or Emergency
 - a) **Ordinance 2023-8:** An Ordinance To Make Appropriations For Current Expenses And Other Expenditures Of The City Of Wauseon, State Of Ohio, During The Fiscal Year Ending December 31, 2024.
 - Motion to place Ordinance 2023-8 on first reading moved by _____ and seconded by _____.
• Vote: ____ Yeas ____ Nays

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- b) **Ordinance 2023-9:** An Ordinance Providing For A City Law Director; Assistant Law Directors; Setting A Rate Of Compensation; And Declaring An Emergency
- Motion to place Ordinance 2023-9 on emergency reading moved by _____ and seconded by _____.
 - Vote: ____ Yeas ____ Nays
 - Motion to place Ordinance 2023-9 on final reading moved by _____ and seconded by _____.
 - Vote: ____ Yeas ____ Nays
- c) **Resolution 2023-23:** A Resolution Approving A Wage Increase For Full-time Non-union Employees; And Declaring An Emergency
- Motion to place Resolution 2023-23 on emergency reading moved by _____ and seconded by _____.
 - Vote: ____ Yeas ____ Nays
 - Motion to place Resolution 2023-23 on final reading moved by _____ and seconded by _____.
 - Vote: ____ Yeas ____ Nays
- Second Reading of Legislation or Emergency
 - a) **Ordinance 2023-6:** An Ordinance Amending Section 191 Of The Codified Ordinances Of The City Of Wauseon; and Declaring an Emergency
 - Motion to place Ordinance 2023-6 on emergency reading moved by _____ and seconded by _____.
 - Vote: ____ Yeas ____ Nays
 - Motion to place Ordinance 2023-6 on final reading moved by _____ and seconded by _____.
 - Vote: ____ Yeas ____ Nays
 - b) **Ordinance 2023-7:** An Ordinance Amending Section 1114 Of The Codified Ordinances Of The City Of Wauseon To Add A New Section 1114.12 Titled "Adult Use Cannabis Operators"; and Declaring an Emergency
 - Motion to place Ordinance 2023-7 on emergency reading moved by _____ and seconded by _____.
 - Vote: ____ Yeas ____ Nays
 - Motion to place Ordinance 2023-7 on final reading moved by _____ and seconded by _____.
 - Vote: ____ Yeas ____ Nays
 - c) **Resolution 2023-16:** A Resolution Authorizing The Mayor To Enter Into An Agreement For A Countywide Emergency Management Agency Pursuant To Ohio Revised Code Section 5502; and Declaring an Emergency
 - Motion to place Resolution 2023-16 on emergency reading moved by _____ and seconded by _____.
 - Vote: ____ Yeas ____ Nays
 - Motion to place Resolution 2023-16 on final reading moved by _____ and seconded by _____.
 - Vote: ____ Yeas ____ Nays
 - d) **Resolution 2023-17:** A Resolution Authorizing Holiday Pay For Part-time, Non-seasonal Employees; and Declaring an Emergency
 - Motion to place Resolution 2023-17 on emergency reading moved by _____ and seconded by _____.
 - Vote: ____ Yeas ____ Nays

- Motion to place Resolution 2023-17 on final reading moved by _____ and seconded by _____.
- Vote: ____ Yeas ____ Nays
- e) **Resolution 2023-18:** A Resolution Authorizing The Mayor To Enter Into An Agreement For Indigent Defense Services In County Court With The Fulton County Commissioners; and Declaring an Emergency
 - Motion to place Resolution 2023-18 on emergency reading moved by _____ and seconded by _____.
 - Vote: ____ Yeas ____ Nays
 - Motion to place Resolution 2023-18 on final reading moved by _____ and seconded by _____.
 - Vote: ____ Yeas ____ Nays
- f) **Resolution 2023-20:** A Resolution Authorizing The Mayor To Enter Into Agreements For Health Insurance Coverage With Pareto Captive Services, Lucent Health Services, And Tokio Marine HCC; and Declaring an Emergency
 - Motion to place Resolution 2023-20 on emergency reading moved by _____ and seconded by _____.
 - Vote: ____ Yeas ____ Nays
 - Motion to place Resolution 2023-20 on final reading moved by _____ and seconded by _____.
 - Vote: ____ Yeas ____ Nays
- g) **Resolution 2023-21:** A Resolution Authorizing The Mayor To Enter Into An Agreement With The Standard To Provide Life Insurance And Voluntary Dental And Vision Insurance For Full-time Employees; and Declaring an Emergency
 - Motion to place Resolution 2023-21 on emergency reading moved by _____ and seconded by _____.
 - Vote: ____ Yeas ____ Nays
 - Motion to place Resolution 2023-21 on final reading moved by _____ and seconded by _____.
 - Vote: ____ Yeas ____ Nays
- Third Reading of Legislation or Emergency
- New Business
 - a) Motion to approve the 2024 Holiday Schedule moved by _____ and seconded by _____.
 - Vote: ____ Yeas ____ Nays
 - b) Motion to pay the bills through December 31, 2023, moved by _____ and seconded by _____.
 - Vote: ____ Yeas ____ Nays
- Old Business
- Approval of the Bills
 - a) Motion to approve and pay the bills as presented moved by _____ and seconded by _____.
 - Vote: ____ Yeas ____ Nays
- 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, December 4, 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, Councilors Schneider, Chamberlin, Heising, Tijerina, 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 was seconded by Councilor Heising to approve the minutes as printed.

All in favor: Motion Passed Unanimously

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Councilor Schneider gave a report from the November 20, 2023, Finance Committee meeting. He explained that the committee went through the entire budget. There are minor changes that need to be made. There was discussion at the meeting regarding adding softball fields to Biddle Park.

Councilor Chamberlin addressed the prior Finance Committee meeting minutes. He requested that the minutes be amended. He provided council, Mayor Huner, and Law Director Tom McWatters with a handout containing the proposed amendment. He gave everyone a chance to read the handout. Mayor Huner did not agree with a portion of the proposed amendment. There was continued discussion about the Finance Committee meeting minutes. Councilor Chamberlin agreed to remove the portion of the proposed amendment that Mayor Huner did not agree with.

Recommendation to amend the prior Finance Committee meeting minutes moved by Councilor Chamberlin and seconded by Councilor Schneider.

Vote: 6 Yeas 0 Nays Motion Carries

(The Clerk of Council can provide materials in reference to the previous recommendation.)

Recommendation to approve the 2024 Budget moved by Councilor Stickley seconded by Councilor Chamberlin.

Councilor Chamberlin asked when council would be able to review the amended 2024 budget. Finance Director, Jamie Giguere stated it should've been included in the council packet. The Clerk of Council said she did not include it in the packet. Jamie Giguere said there will be another amendment to the 2024 budget, and it will be presented to council again at the next Council meeting.

Vote: 6 Yeas 0 Nays Motion Carries

Councilor Chamberlin gave a report from the previous Personnel Committee meeting on November 21, 2023. He explained the recommendation to hire an HR consultant.

Councilor Tijerina asked Director of Finance, Jamie Giguere and Mayor Huner if the potential HR consultant provided references. They replied, no.

Mayor Huner informed council she did talk to the potential hire about her hourly wage and Michelle Wing was willing to lower the amount.

Councilor Chamberlin continued to give his report. He stated that during the meeting Councilor Heising proposed that if an HR consultant were to be hired that person should not be working under a department head.

Mayor Huner stated that the HR consultant would be under contract therefore they would be working directly under the mayor.

Councilor Chamberlin informed council about the recommendation that a new position be created to manage Biddle Park. He stated he is in support of this recommendation.

Councilor Chamberlin explained the recommendation that part-time employees receive the same working holiday pay that full-time employees get. There was clarification made that this recommendation is for employees working on a holiday only.

Councilor Chamberlin shared the last recommendation the Personnel Committee is presenting, which is a recommendation that the Tax Commissioner position be made full-time. He stated that during the meeting Director Giguere said there is a need for this due to the workload. Councilor Chamberlin confirmed with Director Giguere that the current Tax Commissioner is interested in this change.

Recommendation that all non-seasonal part-time employees receive holiday pay (time-and-a-half) when working a holiday recognized by the City moved Councilor Heising and seconded by Councilor Tijerina.

Vote: 6 Yeas 0 Nays Motion Carries

Recommendation that the City hire a consultant to assist with human resource matters moved by Councilor Chamberlin and seconded by Councilor Stickley.

Councilor Stickley said he would like the city to look into more than one option. Councilor Heising and Councilor Tijerina agreed. Councilor Stickley asked if anyone had thought of the local HR consultant that is based in Wauseon.

Mayor Huner asked Councilor Stickley was pushing for a certain person for the position. He stated no, he would just like to see more options.

There was clarification that this recommendation was for the hire of an HR consultant, not a specific person to be hired. Council members continued to express that they would like to see multiple options of HR consultants.

Councilor Heising said she would like to see other department heads to be involved in the hiring process.

Chief Kessler stated that he is in support of the idea.

Law Director, Tom McWatters reminded council of their roles and their involvement in hiring an employee.

Mayor Huner clarified that the HR consultant that came to the Personnel Committee meeting does meet the needs of the city and other HR consultants were discussed.

The Clerk of Council took the vote.

Vote: 6 Yeas 0 Nays Motion Carries

Recommendation that the City's Tax Commissioner be hired on a full-time basis moved by Councilor Heising and seconded by Councilor Schneider.

Director McWatters stated he is seeking clarification if this change with the Tax Commissioners position will need to comply with the Civil Service rules.

Vote: 6 Yeas 0 Nays Motion Carries

Recommendation that a new position be created to manage Biddle Park moved by Councilor Chamberlin and seconded by Councilor Schneider.

Councilor Tijerina asked about the potential pay for this job position.

Director of Public works, Keith Torbet stated that the pay hasn't been set yet.

Vote: 6 Yeas 0 Nays Motion Carries

DEPARTMENT REPORTS

Chief Kessler gave a report for his department. Construction is proceeding in the bay with new equipment that is being installed. He stated that car crash numbers have still been high, so be safe when you are driving. The Christmas parade went well, and there was a great turn out. The new ambulance has arrived and it is in service.

Chief Chittenden gave a report for his department. He stated that all the Christmas for Kids applications have been selected. There will be 71 participants this year. The Christmas for Kids event will be on December 16, 2023. New radios are being installed in the police department vehicles. He has been working with Tom McWatters on marijuana laws.

Mayor Huner asked for the extra applicants that did not get selected for Christmas for Kids.

Director of Public Works, Keith Torbet gave a report for his department. His department is working on leaf pickup. He was notified that the TTHM levels are still in violation. His department is working on solving the problem. He then explained Resolution 2023-22.

Director of Finance, Jamie Giguere gave a report for her department. She informed council that they should have seen the month end financial reports. The income tax revenue is still up 32% from last year. Health Insurance open enrollment meetings were completed last week.

Law Director, Tom McWatters gave a report for his department. He explained the legislation on the agenda.

Councilor Schneider asked if it would be best to put Resolution 2023-22 on emergency. Council agreed and Keith Torbet said that would be help the process for the Hybrid Beacon project.

Council President Stiriz exited the council chambers at 5:40 p.m. and returned at 5:43 p.m.

FIRST READING OF LEGISLATION OR EMERGENCY

Resolution 2023-16: A Resolution Authorizing The Mayor To Enter Into An Agreement For A Countywide Emergency Management Agency Pursuant To Ohio Revised Code Section 5502

Motion to place Resolution 2023-16 on first reading moved by Councilor Chamberlin and seconded by Council President Stiriz.

Vote: 6 Yeas 0 Nays Motion Carries

Resolution 2023-17: A Resolution Authorizing Holiday Pay For Part-time, Non-seasonal Employees

Motion to place Resolution 2023-17 on first reading moved by Councilor Schneider and seconded by Councilor Heising.

Vote: 6 Yeas 0 Nays Motion Carries

Resolution 2023-18: A Resolution Authorizing The Mayor To Enter Into An Agreement For Indigent Defense Services In County Court With The Fulton County Commissioners

Motion to place Resolution 2023-18 on first reading moved by Councilor Stickley and seconded by Councilor Heising.

Vote: 6 Yeas 0 Nays Motion Carries

Resolution 2023-19: A Resolution Authorizing The Mayor To Enter Into An Agreement With Ohio Plan Risk Management, Inc. For Casualty, Liability, Fire And Property Damage Insurance; and Declaring an Emergency

Motion to place Resolution 2023-19 on emergency reading moved by Councilor Stickley and seconded by Councilor Heising.

Vote: 6 Yeas 0 Nays Motion Carries

Motion to place Resolution 2023-19 on final reading moved by Council President Stiriz and seconded by Councilor Schneider.

Vote: 6 Yeas 0 Nays Motion Carries

Resolution 2023-20: A Resolution Authorizing The Mayor To Enter Into Agreements For Health Insurance Coverage With Pareto Captive Services, Lucent Health Services, And Tokio Marine HCC

Motion to place Resolution 2023-20 on first reading moved by Councilor Tijerina and seconded by Council President Stiriz.

Vote: 6 Yeas 0 Nays Motion Carries

Resolution 2023-21: A Resolution Authorizing The Mayor To Enter Into An Agreement With The Standard To Provide Life Insurance And Voluntary Dental And Vision Insurance For Full-time Employees

Motion to place Resolution 2023-21 on first reading moved by Councilor Chamberlin and seconded by Councilor Heising.

Vote: 6 Yeas 0 Nays Motion Carries

Resolution 2023-22: A Resolution Authorizing The Mayor To Advertise For Bids For The Purchase And Installation Of A Hybrid Beacon On North Shoop Avenue; Authorizing The Mayor To Accept The Lowest And Best Bid; Authorizing The Mayor To Enter Into A Contract With The Lowest And Best Bidder

Motion to place Resolution 2023-22 on emergency reading moved by Councilor Schneider and seconded by Councilor Stickley.

Vote: 6 Yeas 0 Nays Motion Carries

Motion to place Resolution 2023-22 on final reading moved by Council President Stiriz and seconded by Councilor Heising.

Vote: 6 Yeas 0 Nays Motion Carries

Ordinance 2023-6: An Ordinance Amending Section 191 Of The Codified Ordinances Of The City Of Wauseon

Motion to place Ordinance 2023-6 on first reading moved by Councilor Heising and seconded by Councilor Stickley.

Vote: 6 Yeas 0 Nays Motion Carries

Ordinance 2023-7: An Ordinance Amending Section 1114 Of The Codified Ordinances Of The City Of Wauseon To Add A New Section 1114.12 Titled "Adult Use Cannabis Operators"

Motion to place Ordinance 2023-7 on first reading moved by Councilor Heising and seconded by Councilor Tijerina.

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

NO LEGISLATION FOR SECOND READING

THIRD READING OF LEGISLATION OR EMERGENCY

Ordinance 2023-5: An Ordinance Amending Section 933.06(B) of the Codified Ordinances of The City of Wauseon

Motion to place Ordinance 2023-5 on first reading moved by Councilor Heising and seconded by Councilor Stickley.

Vote: 6 Yeas 0 Nays Motion Carries

NEW BUSINESS

Motion to appoint Councilor Chamberlin, and Councilor Stickley to the Volunteer Fire Fighter Dependent Board moved by Councilor Schneider and seconded by Council President Stiriz.

Vote: 6 Yeas 0 Nays Motion Carries

Motion to appoint Kevin Nelson to the Planning Commission to fill the unexpired term of Kurt Huffman moved by Councilor Chamberlin and seconded by Council President Stiriz.

Vote: 6 Yeas 0 Nays Motion Carries

APPROVAL OF BILLS

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

Vote: 6 Yeas 0 Nays Motion Carries

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Motion to enter into Executive Session to consider the compensation of a public employee or official moved by Councilor Heising and seconded by Councilor Stickley.

Council exited Executive Session at 6:36.

Motion was made by Councilor Chamberlin, seconded by Councilor Tijerina, to provide an across-the-board wage increase of all full-time non-union employees of 5%, effective January 1, 2024.

Vote: 6 Yeas 0 Nays Motion Carries

Motion was made by Councilor Schneider, seconded by Councilor Heising, to provide a wage increase of 5% for the Clerk of Council, effective January 1, 2024.

Vote: 6 Yeas 0 Nays Motion Carries

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, Councilor Tijerina moved and seconded by Councilor Stickley to adjourn this meeting at 6:49 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, DECEMBER 14, 2023**

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

DEPARTMENT HEAD REPORTS

Chief Kessler gave a report for his department. The increase in vehicle crashes has stayed consistent. He has been working with Tom McWatters on the legalities regarding the North Fulton Street property. He explained that the York Township contract is up. His department will be available for mutual aid and not auto aid until a decision is made. He told council they are free to ask him any questions about the topic. He stated he has been in communications with Tom McWatters and Mayor Huner on the topic of opening the Fire Department Bargaining Unit, to get the union members an additional competitive wage increase.

Councilor Stickley stated he thought they were under contract.

Chief Kessler clarified that they are under contract and so is the Police Department. The Police Department's contract was opened up for the same purpose. Chief Kessler then clarified the reason there is a need to do this.

Councilor Stickley said they did not have anything to do with the contract.

Chief Kessler stated that part of the process is informing council on the topic.

Councilor Heising asked when the contract is up.

Chief Kessler answered it is up April 1, 2026. It is a three-year contract. He told council the union members are making significantly less than their counter parts in the area are. There is a lot of different things to compare. Tom McWatters will be helping with this and there will be further discussion on the topic during the Executive Session at the Special Council Meeting.

Tom McWatters stated the Special Council Meeting will be held before the next Council Meeting on December 18, 2023, at 4:30 p.m.

Chief Kessler encouraged council to ask him any questions and to also look at the recent upgrades in the Fire Department Bay. He stated there are a lot of positive things happening in his department.

Councilor Heising stated that the wage increase feels like an emergency situation. She asked Chief Kessler if it is.

Chief Kessler explained that with the previous raise and the Police Departments previous raise, he wants to keep moral up in his department. He stated that he understands he does not make the final decision.

Councilor Stickley said that he was expecting this topic to come up.

Councilor Chamberlin gave the history of the nonunion pay and the union pay. He is looking out for nonunion employees.

Chief Kessler clarified that there are nonunion employees in his department.

Councilor Heising asked for clarification on the competitive wages.

Chief Kessler answered that there was prioritization on the demographics that were compared.

Chief Chittenden gave a report for his department. He informed council that Christmas for Kids is this upcoming Saturday, and his department is preparing for that. He thanked the Fire Department for their help with the event. All the new in-car radios have been installed. He is keeping up with the state marijuana laws.

There was continued discussion on the topic of marijuana.

Keith Torbet gave a report for his department. Bid opening packets have been sent out for the Hybrid Beacon on Shoop Avenue. The Bid Opening will be January 16, 2024. Bright Speed has bought Century link, they will be doing a complete upgrade to Century Link's infrastructure. He is working with Bright Speed on the project. There will be 20% digging, most of the upgrading will be above ground. He explained that the Park Board Committee recently met and they are in support of looking into changing two of the baseball fields at Biddle Park into multi-purpose use fields. Park Board is also looking into meeting with the Homecoming Committee to clarify some questions they have regarding moving the annual Homecoming Festival to Biddle Park. He said that according to Maumee Valley Planning there is money for low-income home repairs. The Land Bank is still looking to demolish abandon homes. Bedford Fencing has contacted him on the progress of the pickleball fencing project.

Councilor Heising exited Council Chambers at 8:02 a.m. Before she left, she told council she attended the Tree Academy Graduation, the graduates have put a lot of time into this education and have learned a lot. She would like to thank them.

Jamie Giguere gave a report for her department. The audit is finished, and council should have received an email regarding that. There was a Civil Service meeting to approve the Tax Commissioner test. She informed council that the Appropriation Ordinance will be on first reading on the Council Agenda. There will be another budget amendment to include \$50,000 for sidewalks.

Councilor Stickley asked what the issue is with the audit.

Jamie Giguere informed him that a TIF that was done last year needed to be in its own fund. That was the only issue.

Tom McWatters gave a report for his department. He informed council on the York Township contract, there will be a press release soon to inform the public on the topic. Tom McWatters updated council on the Fulton Street property. He went through the proposed legislation on the agenda.

Council President Stiriz went over the proposed agenda for the upcoming Council Meeting.

Councilor Schneider exited Council Chambers at 8:15 a.m.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Tree Commission: December 12, 2023

Park Board: December 12, 2023

Recommendation that the City investigate reconditioning two of the ball diamonds on the north-west end of Biddle Park for multi-purpose use.

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THERE IS NO LEGISLATION FOR THIRD READING

NEW BUSINESS

Motion to approve the 2024 Holiday Schedule.

Motion to pay the bills through December 31, 2023.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, this meeting adjourned at 8:30 a.m.

Korin Miller, Clerk of Council

Scott Stiriz, Council President

**PARK BOARD
CITY COUNCIL CHAMBERS
TUESDAY, DECEMBER 12, 2023
7:03 AM**

MEMBERS PRESENT: Russ Pauley, David Carroll, Jakob Flores (late), Brook Conrad, Larry Zimmerman

STAFF: Keith Torbet, John Arps and Jan Tropf

ABSENT: Scott Stiriz, Harold Stickley and Mayor Kathy Huner (excused)

Matter: Park Board Minutes of November 14, 2024

Motion made by Brook Conrad, to approve last month's minutes, seconded by Russ Pauley.

Yeas: 5 Nays: 0

Matter: Homecoming Festival to move to Biddle Park

It was asked if the Homecoming Festival will actually be moving to Biddle Park. A float in the Christmas Parade stated they were moving and it has been posted all over Facebook they were moving. Park Board members were concerned about whether the asphalt at Biddle could hold the weight of the rides. Keith Torbet mentioned that many rides require a 60' clearance the downtown did not offer enough for some rides that's why things were limited. There was quite the discussion this this topic but there are still too many unknowns.

Matter: Pickleball Fencing

The goal for the installation of the fencing is by end-of –the- year or first of January . Larry Zimerman asked if Rotary cut a check to the City and Keith responded that he thought so.

Matter: Softball Diamonds at Biddle Park

This issue of Councilman Shane Chamberlain wanting to have 4 softball diamonds installed at Biddle Park. Keith Torbet offered more insight to this issue. One of the problems of where the softball diamonds are to be placed is still owned by The Rotary Club. There is a quote from the year 2020 where that costs would be approximately \$200,000 whereas with today's prices, it would probably cost close to ½ million dollars. A lengthy discussion ensued and it was determined a better option would be to convert 2 North fields to multi-purpose at a cost of \$29,000 which was a quote from 2 weeks ago. It makes more fiscal sense to modify the fields instead of developing the others at the time.

Motion made by Brook Conrad to review and modify two diamonds on the north side for multi-purpose use, seconded by Larry Zimmerman.

Yeas: 5 Nays: 0

Matter: Park Signs

Keith Torbet advised the Park Board City Council has budgeted money for the park signs up to \$20,000 to refurbish or replace.

Matter: Pool Parking

Keith Torbet stated City Council has approved the parking lot for the pool.

Meeting Adjourned: 07:45 hrs

Respectfully submitted,
Jan E. Tropf
Executive Assistant



**TREE COMMISSION
COUNCIL CHAMBERS
Tuesday, December 12, 2023
8:00 AM**

Present: Laura Kamp, Rick Frey, Dan Nelson, John Alexander, Kurt Stuckey

Staff: Korin Miller

John Alexander provided a list of trees that are going to be removed and a list of trees that need trimmed.

The Tree Commission is working on rewriting the City's Tree Ordinance. They are thoroughly going through the Ordinance and discussing every change. Everyone is participating and giving input. The Commission is close to having a finished product. The Tree Commission will present the revised Ordinance to council for approval when it is completed.

The committee will meet again on January 9, 2024, at 8:00 a.m.

Meeting adjourned at 10:02 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Korin Miller
Clerk of Council

ORDINANCE NO. 2023-8**ANNUAL APPROPRIATION ORDINANCE**

(Revised Code Sec. 5705.38)

AN ORDINANCE to make appropriations for current expenses and other expenditures of the City of Wauseon, State of Ohio, during the fiscal year ending December 31, 2024.

Sec. 1. Be it ordained by the Council of the City of Wauseon, State of Ohio, that, to provide for expenditures of the City of Wauseon, during the year ending December 31, 2024, the following amounts be and they are hereby set aside and appropriated as follows.

Sec. 2. That there be appropriated from the GENERAL FUND

SECURITY OF PERSONS & PROPERTY (PROGRAM CODE: 10)
GENERAL LAW ENFORCEMENT (Sub-Program Code: 11) (Police Dept)

101.101 **POLICE**

210	Personal Services	\$2,032,500.00
220 - 240	Supplies & Materials	<u>\$281,500.00</u>

Total For Police Dept (Sub-Program Code: 11)	\$2,314,000.00
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EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT (Sub-Program Code: 13)

101.104 **COUNTY EMA**

220 - 240	Supplies & Materials	<u>\$4,920.00</u>
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Total For Emergency Mgt (Sub-Program Code: 13)	\$4,920.00
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ADMINISTRATIVE SUPPORT FOR SECURITY OF PERSONS & PROPERTY
(Sub-Program Code: 14) (Director of Safety, etc)

101.103 **STREET LIGHTING**

220 - 240	Supplies & Materials	<u>\$110,000.00</u>
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Total For Street Lighting (Sub-Program Code: 14)	\$110,000.00
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101.105 **TRAFFIC**

210	Personal Services	\$4,800.00
220 - 240	Supplies & Materials	<u>\$12,000.00</u>

Total For Traffic (Sub-Program Code: 15)	<u>\$16,800.00</u>
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Total For Security of Persons & Property (Program Code: 10)	\$2,445,720.00
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LEISURE TIME ACTIVITIES (PROGRAM CODE: 30)
RECREATION PROGRAMS (Sub-Program Code: 31)

101.301 **RECREATION**

210	Personal Services	\$272,000.00
220 - 240	Supplies & Materials	<u>\$115,500.00</u>

Total For Recreation (Sub-Program Code: 31)	\$387,500.00
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PARKS (Sub-Program Code: 32)

101.302 **PARKS**

210	Personal Services	\$245,000.00
220 - 240	Supplies & Materials	<u>\$65,000.00</u>

Total For Parks (Sub-Program Code: 32)	\$310,000.00
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CULTURAL ACTIVITIES (Sub-Program Code: 33)

101.303 **CHRISTMAS**

210	Personal Services	\$11,000.00
220 - 240	Supplies & Materials	<u>\$15,000.00</u>

Total For Christmas	\$26,000.00
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101.304 **POOL**

210	Personal Services	\$0.00
220 - 240	Supplies & Materials	<u>\$27,500.00</u>

Total For Pool	\$27,500.00
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101.306 **TRAIL**

210	Personal Services	\$8,000.00
220 - 240	Supplies & Materials	<u>\$4,000.00</u>

Total For Rails to Trails	\$12,000.00
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101.399 **4th of July**

220 - 240	Supplies & Materials	<u>\$32,000.00</u>
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Total For Fireworks	\$32,000.00
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101.399 **HOMECOMING**

210	Personal Services	\$7,500.00
220 - 240	Supplies & Materials	<u>\$6,000.00</u>

Total For Homecoming	<u>\$13,500.00</u>
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Total For Cultural Activities (Sub-Program Code: 33)	<u>\$111,000.00</u>
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Total For Leisure Time Activities (Program Code: 30)	\$808,500.00
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COMMUNITY ENVIRONMENT (PROGRAM CODE: 40)
BUILDING, ZONING & HOUSING (Sub-Program Code: 41)

101.401 **BZH**

210	Personal Services	\$137,000.00
220 - 240	Supplies & Materials	<u>\$32,000.00</u>

Total For Building, Zoning & Housing (Sub-Program Code: 41) \$169,000.00

LAND USE PLANNING (Sub-Program Code: 42)

101.402 **COUNTY**

220 - 240	Supplies & Materials	<u>\$5,676.00</u>
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Total For County Assessment \$5,676.00

101.497 **TREES**

210	Personal Services	\$47,500.00
220 - 240	Supplies & Materials	\$13,000.00
250	Capital Outlay	<u>\$5,000.00</u>

Total For Trees \$65,500.00

Total For Land Use Planning (Sub-Program Code: 42) \$71,176.00

Total For Community Environment (Program Code: 40) \$240,176.00

TRANSPORTATION FACILITIES (PROGRAM CODE: 60)
PUBLIC WORKS (Sub-Program Code: 63)

101.698 **DIRECTOR**

210	Personal Services	\$60,500.00
220 - 240	Supplies & Materials	<u>\$5,700.00</u>

Total For Director \$66,200.00

101.699 **PUBLIC WORKS**

210	Personal Services	\$300,000.00
220 - 240	Supplies & Materials	<u>\$121,500.00</u>

Total For Public Works \$421,500.00

Total For Public Works (Sub-Program Code: 63) \$487,700.00

MAINTENANCE OF SEWERS (Sub-Program Code: 64)

101.505 **STORM SEWERS**

210	Personal Services	\$40,000.00
220 - 240	Supplies & Materials	<u>\$45,000.00</u>

Total For Maintenance of Storm Sewers (Sub-Program Code: 64) \$85,000.00

Total For Transportation Facilities (Program Code: 60)

\$572,700.00

GENERAL GOVERNMENTAL SERVICES (PROGRAM CODE: 70)

EXECUTIVE AND ADMINISTRATIVE (Sub-Program Code: 71)

101.701	MAYOR	
210	Personal Services	\$127,000.00
220 - 240	Supplies & Materials	\$31,600.00
250	Capital Outlay	<u>\$3,000.00</u>
Total For Mayor		\$161,600.00
101.703	PRISONER FEES	
220 - 240	Supplies & Materials	<u>\$1,000.00</u>
Total For Prisoner Fees		\$1,000.00
101.704	FINANCE	
210	Personal Services	\$99,500.00
220 - 240	Supplies & Materials	\$58,000.00
250	Capital Outlay	<u>\$1,500.00</u>
Total For Finance		\$159,000.00
101.705	LAND & BUILDINGS	
210	Personal Services	\$11,000.00
220 - 240	Supplies & Materials	<u>\$175,000.00</u>
Total For Land & Bldgs		\$186,000.00
101.706	CIVIL SERVICE	
220 - 240	Supplies & Materials	<u>\$5,000.00</u>
Total For Civil Service		\$5,000.00
101.707	AUDITOR & TREASURER	
220 - 240	Supplies & Materials	<u>\$7,000.00</u>
Total For Auditor & Treas		\$7,000.00
101.708	AUDITING	
220 - 240	Supplies & Materials	<u>\$10,000.00</u>
Total For Auditing		\$10,000.00
101.709	LAW	
210	Personal Services	\$102,900.00
220 - 240	Supplies & Materials	<u>\$31,000.00</u>
Total For Law		\$133,900.00

101.710 & 711

INCOME TAX

210	Personal Services	\$95,500.00
220 - 240	Supplies & Materials	\$16,000.00
250	Capital Outlay	\$2,000.00
270	Tax Refunds	<u>\$125,000.00</u>

Total For Income Tax \$238,500.00

101.998

REIMBURSEMENTS

270	Reimbursements	<u>\$2,224,833.40</u>
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Total For Reimbursements \$2,224,833.40

Total For Executive & Administrative (Sub-Program Code: 71) \$3,126,833.40

LEGISLATIVE (Sub-Program Code: 72)

101.702

COUNCIL

210	Personal Services	\$49,920.00
220 - 240	Supplies & Materials	\$66,500.00
250	Capital Outlay	<u>\$1,000.00</u>

Total For Council \$117,420.00

101.799

CLERK OF COUNCIL

210	Personal Services	\$42,000.00
220 - 240	Supplies & Materials	\$4,000.00
250	Capital Outlay	<u>\$1,000.00</u>

Total For Clerk of Council \$47,000.00

Total For Legislative (Sub-Program Code: 72) \$164,420.00

Total For General Governmental Services (Program Code: 70) \$3,291,253.40

Sec. 3. That there be appropriated from the GENERAL FUND for CONTINGENCIES for purposes not otherwise provided for, to be expended in accordance with the provisions of Sec. 5705.40, R.C., the sum of:

\$0.00

Grand Total GENERAL FUND Appropriation

\$7,358,349.40

Sec. 4. That there be appropriated from the SPECIAL REVENUE FUNDS

TRANSPORTATION FACILITIES (PROGRAM CODE: 60)

STREET RESURFACING (Sub-Program Code: 61)

208.601	RESURFACING	
250	Capital Outlay	<u>\$0.00</u>
	Total For Street Resurfacing (Sub-Program Code: 61)	\$0.00

STREET MAINTENANCE AND REPAIR FUND (Sub-Program Code: 62)

201.602	STREET MAINT	
210	Personal Services	\$270,000.00
220 - 240	Supplies & Materials	<u>\$225,000.00</u>
	Total For Street Maint and Repair Fund (Sub-Program Code: 62)	\$495,000.00

STATE HIGHWAY IMPROVEMENT FUND (Sub-Program Code: 62)

202.602	STATE HIGHWAY MAINT	
210	Personal Services	\$12,500.00
220 - 240	Supplies & Materials	<u>\$107,500.00</u>
	Total For State Highway Improvement Fund (Sub-Program Code: 62)	\$120,000.00

LEISURE TIME ACTIVITIES (PROGRAM CODE: 30)

SWIMMING POOL (Sub-Program Code: 34)

204.304	SWIMMING POOL	
210	Personal Services	\$115,000.00
220 - 240	Supplies & Materials	<u>\$73,000.00</u>
	Total For Swimming Pool (Sub-Program Code: 34)	\$188,000.00

IMAGINATION KINGDOM SPECIAL REVENUE FUND (Sub-Program Code: 32)

290.302	IMAGINATION KINGDOM SPECIAL REVENUE	
220 - 240	Supplies & Materials	<u>\$0.00</u>
	Total For Imagination Kingdom Special Revenue Fund (Sub-Program Code: 32)	<u>\$0.00</u>

Total For LEISURE TIME ACTIVITIES (Program Code: 30) \$188,000.00

GENERAL GOVERNMENTAL SERVICES (PROGRAM CODE: 70)
STATE AND LOCAL FISCAL RECOVERY FUND

206.705 **STATE AND LOCAL FISCAL RECOVERY**

250 Capital Outlay \$250,000.00

Total For State and Local Fiscal Recovery \$250,000.00

Total For GENERAL GOVERNMENTAL SERVICES (Program Code: 70) \$250,000.00

SECURITY OF PERSONS & PROPERTY (PROGRAM CODE: 10)
DRUG ENFORCEMENT FUND

210.101 **DRUG ENFORCEMENT**

220 - 240 Supplies & Materials \$30,000.00

EDUCATION & ENFORCEMENT FUND

213.101 **ED & ENFORCEMENT**

220 - 240 Supplies & Materials \$0.00

Total For Police Enforcement (Sub-Program Code: 11) \$30,000.00

FIRE/EMS FUND (Sub-Program Code: 12)

230.102 **FIRE/EMS**

210 Personal Services \$2,580,250.00

220 - 240 Supplies & Materials \$210,000.00

Total For Fire/EMS (Sub-Program Code: 12) \$2,790,250.00

Total For SECURITY OF PERSONS & PROPERTY (Program Code: 10) \$2,820,250.00

COMMUNITY ENVIRONMENT (PROGRAM CODE: 40)
SPECIAL ENERGY IMPROVEMENT DISTRICT FUND

240.490 **SPECIAL ENERGY IMPROVEMENT DISTRICT**

220 - 240 Supplies & Materials \$17,295.52

Total For Special Energy Improvement District \$17,295.52

Total For COMMUNITY ENVIRONMENT (Program Code: 40) \$17,295.52

Grand Total SPECIAL REVENUE FUNDS Appropriations \$3,890,545.52

Sec. 5. That there be appropriated from the DEBT REDUCTION FUND

DEBT REDUCTION FUND

	301.801	DEBT REDUCTION		
260	General Obligation Debt Reduction		<u>\$209,083.40</u>	
	Total For General Obligation Debt Reduction Fund			<u>\$209,083.40</u>
	Grand Total DEBT REDUCTION FUND Appropriation			<u>\$209,083.40</u>

Sec. 6. That there be appropriated from the CAPITAL PROJECTS INCOME TAX FUND

CAPITAL PROJECTS

	403	CAPITAL OUTLAY		
210	Personal Services	\$20,000.00		
250	Capital Outlay	\$1,157,460.00		
	Total For Capital Outlay		<u>\$1,177,460.00</u>	
	450	TIF PROJECT		
250	Capital Outlay	\$0.00		
260	Debt Service	\$26,209.90		
	Total For TIF PROJECTS		<u>\$26,209.90</u>	
	Grand Total CAPITAL PROJECTS FUND Appropriation			<u>\$1,203,669.90</u>

Sec. 7. That there be appropriated from the following PERMANENT FUNDS

Sec. 8. That there be appropriated from the following ENTERPRISE FUNDS

WATER FUND

BASIC UTILITY SERVICES (Sub-Program Code: 53)

601.554	WATER PLANT		
210	Personal Services	\$476,000.00	
220 - 240	Supplies & Materials	\$446,000.00	
250	Capital Outlay	\$350,000.00	
256	Replacement Capital	<u>\$130,000.00</u>	
	Total For Water Plant		\$1,402,000.00
601.556	WATER DISTRIBUTION		
210	Personal Services	\$295,000.00	
220 - 240	Supplies & Materials	\$132,000.00	
250	Capital Outlay	<u>\$140,000.00</u>	
	Total For Water Distribution		<u>\$567,000.00</u>
	Total For Water System Operations		<u>\$1,969,000.00</u>

ADMINISTRATION - WATER

601.551/801/802	WATER FINANCE		
210	Personal Services	\$97,000.00	
220 - 240	Supplies & Materials	\$30,000.00	
250	Capital Outlay	\$500.00	
260	Debt Service	\$53,302.00	
270	Reimbursements	<u>\$97,300.00</u>	
	Total For Water Finance		\$278,102.00
601.569	P. S. DIRECTOR		
210	Personal Services	\$59,000.00	
220 - 240	Supplies & Materials	\$7,000.00	
250	Capital Outlay	<u>\$3,000.00</u>	
	Total For P.S. Director		<u>\$69,000.00</u>
	Total For Administration - Water		<u>\$347,102.00</u>
	Total For Water (Revenue) Fund (Program Code: 53)		\$2,316,102.00

WATER RECLAMATION FUND
BASIC UTILITY SERVICES (Sub-Program Code: 54)

602.504	WATER RECLAMATION PLANT		
210	Personal Services	\$468,000.00	
220 - 240	Supplies & Materials	\$380,000.00	
250	Capital Outlay	\$350,000.00	
256	Replacement Capital	<u>\$150,000.00</u>	
Total For Sewage Plant			\$1,348,000.00
602.598	SANITARY SEWER MAINT		
210	Personal Services	\$135,000.00	
220 - 240	Supplies & Materials	\$46,500.00	
250	Capital Outlay	<u>\$100,000.00</u>	
Total For Sanitary Sewer Maint			\$281,500.00
602.599	SEWER TAP		
210	Personal Services	\$0.00	
220 - 240	Supplies & Materials	<u>\$0.00</u>	
Total For Sewer Tap			<u>\$0.00</u>
Total For Water Reclamation Operations			\$1,629,500.00
ADMINISTRATION - WATER RECLAMATION			
602.551	WATER RECLAMATION FINANCE		
210	Personal Services	\$85,000.00	
220 - 240	Supplies & Materials	\$26,000.00	
250	Capital Outlay	\$500.00	
270	Reimbursements	<u>\$8,500.00</u>	
Total For Water Reclamation Finance			\$120,000.00
602.569	P. S. DIRECTOR		
210	Personal Services	\$59,000.00	
220 - 240	Supplies & Materials	\$7,000.00	
250	Capital Outlay	<u>\$3,000.00</u>	
Total For P.S. Director			<u>\$69,000.00</u>
Total For Administration - Water Reclamation			<u>\$189,000.00</u>
Total For Water Reclamation (Revenue) Fund (Program Code: 54)			\$1,818,500.00

WATER RECLAMATION DEBT CHARGE FUND
DEBT SERVICES (PROGRAM CODE: 85)

	607	FINANCE		
261	Principal		\$163,136.10	
262	Interest		\$44,274.58	
270	Reimbursements		<u>\$0.00</u>	
	Total for Water Reclamation Debt Charge Finance		<u>\$207,410.68</u>	
	Total For Water Reclamation Debt Charge Fund (Program Code: 85)			\$207,410.68

WATER SERVICE DEPOSIT FUND
UTILITY DEPOSIT SERVICES (PROGRAM CODE: 59)

	608	FINANCE		
270	Reimbursements		<u>\$6,000.00</u>	
	Total for Water Service Deposit Finance		<u>\$6,000.00</u>	
	Total For Water Service Deposit Fund (Program Code: 59)			<u>\$6,000.00</u>
	Grand Total ENTERPRISE FUNDS Appropriations			<u>\$4,348,012.68</u>

Sec. 9. That there be appropriated from the INTERNAL SERVICE FUNDS

Sec. 10. That there be appropriated from the TRUST AND AGENCY FUNDS

FIRE INSURANCE TRUST FUND
FIRE INSURANCE TRUST (PROGRAM CODE: 59)

	630	FINANCE		
270	Refunds		<u>\$21,680.00</u>	
	Total for Fire Insurance Trust Finance		<u>\$21,680.00</u>	
	Total For Fire Insurance Trust Fund (Program Code: 59)			\$21,680.00
	Grand Total TRUST AND AGENCY FUNDS Appropriations			<u>\$21,680.00</u>
	Memo total - all funds			<u>\$17,031,340.90</u>

RECAPITULATION OF APPROPRIATIONS AND FUNDS
GENERAL

Police	\$2,314,000.00	
County EMA	\$4,920.00	
Street Lighting	\$110,000.00	
Traffic Signs	\$16,800.00	
Recreation	\$387,500.00	
Parks	\$310,000.00	
Christmas	\$26,000.00	
Pool	\$27,500.00	
Rails to Trails	\$12,000.00	
Fireworks	\$32,000.00	
Homecoming	\$13,500.00	
Building, Zoning & Housing	\$169,000.00	
County Assessment	\$5,676.00	
Trees	\$65,500.00	
Storm Sewers	\$85,000.00	
Public Works	\$421,500.00	
P.S. Director	\$66,200.00	
Mayor	\$161,600.00	
Prisoner Fees	\$1,000.00	
Finance	\$159,000.00	
Income Tax	\$238,500.00	
Law	\$133,900.00	
Civil Service	\$5,000.00	
Reimbursements	\$2,224,833.40	
Auditor & Treasurer	\$7,000.00	
Auditing	\$10,000.00	
Land & Building	\$186,000.00	
Council	\$117,420.00	
Clerk of Council	\$47,000.00	
Total General Fund		\$7,358,349.40
STREET CONSTRUCTION FUND		\$495,000.00
STATE HIGHWAY IMPROVEMENT FUND		\$120,000.00
PARK AND RECREATION SPECIAL REVENUE FUND		\$188,000.00
COUNTY \$5 MVL PERMISSIVE LICENSES FUND		\$0.00
DRUG ENFORCEMENT FUND		\$30,000.00
EDUCATION & ENFORCEMENT FUND		\$0.00
FIRE/EMS FUND		\$2,790,250.00
SPECIAL ENERGY IMPROVEMENT DISTRICT FUND		\$17,295.52
IMAGINATION KINGDOM FUND		\$0.00
STATE AND LOCAL FISCAL RECOVERY FUND		\$250,000.00
DEBT REDUCTION FUND		\$209,083.40
CAPITAL PROJECTS INCOME TAX FUND		\$1,203,669.90
WATER (REVENUE) FUND		
Filtration - Plant	\$1,402,000.00	
Distribution	\$567,000.00	
Administration	\$347,102.00	
Total Water (Revenue) Fund		
		\$2,316,102.00
WATER RECLAMATION (REVENUE) FUND		
Disposal - Plant	\$1,348,000.00	
Maintenance	\$281,500.00	
Construction - Taps	\$0.00	
Administration	\$189,000.00	
Total Sewer (Revenue) Fund		
		\$1,818,500.00
WATER RECLAMATION DEBT FUND		\$207,410.68
WATER SERVICE DEPOSIT FUND		\$6,000.00
FIRE INSURANCE TRUST FUND		\$21,680.00

Director of Law

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

ORDINANCE 2023-9

AN ORDINANCE PROVIDING FOR A CITY LAW DIRECTOR; ASSISTANT LAW DIRECTORS; SETTING A RATE OF COMPENSATION; AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY

WHEREAS, the City Charter provides that the City employ a City Law Director for a two-year term; and

WHEREAS, the two-year term commences February 1, 2024; and

WHEREAS, a City Law Director is necessary for the proper functioning of the City and its offices; and

WHEREAS, this Resolution should be declared an emergency measure necessary for the immediate preservation of the health, safety, and public welfare of the City because the current two-year term expires January 31, 2024;

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

Section 1.

That Thomas A. McWatters III shall be employed as the City Law Director. The City Law Director shall be paid a salary of \$5,890.00 per month. PERS shall be paid on this salary amount.

Section 2.

That Kevin Whitlock shall be employed as Assistant City Law Director. The Assistant City Law Director shall be paid a salary of \$735 per month. PERS shall be paid on this salary amount.

Section 3.

That Stephen Maloney shall be employed as Assistant City Law Director. The Assistant City Law Director shall be paid a salary of \$735 per month. PERS shall be paid on this salary amount.

Section 4.

That Jan Stamm shall serve as uncompensated Assistant City Law Director. He shall not receive direct compensation from the City, but his hours shall be included in the Law Director's billing and compensation, and shall be paid according to the terms of this Ordinance.

Section 5.

That Kayla Baker shall serve as uncompensated Assistant City Law Director. She shall not receive direct compensation from the City, but her hours shall be included in the Law Director's billing and compensation, and shall be paid according to the terms of this Ordinance.

Section 6.

The Law Director and Assistant Law Directors shall receive additional compensation at a rate of \$160 per hour for work performed in excess of 46 hours in any month.

Section 7.

That the firm of Barber, Kaper, Stamm, McWatters, Whitlock & Maloney, LLP shall be paid the sum of \$500 per month as and for additional office expenses above and beyond the salaries set forth herein above.

Section 8.

That except as specifically stated herein, no other City benefits shall be applicable to the positions of City Law Director or Assistant Law Director.

Section 9.

That the City Law Director is hereby authorized from time to time to appoint substitute City Law Directors to act on the City's behalf when the City Law Director is in a conflict of interest or is otherwise disqualified from serving as City Law Director.

Section 10.

That all additional fees and expenses shall be paid and/or reimbursed from time to time as submitted by the City Law Director and approved by Council.

Section 11.

That the City may from time to time employ other attorneys to represent the City in areas where unique or special qualifications are required.

Section 12.

That it shall be the duty of the City Law Director to act as attorney and counsel for the City, to perform all services required by the Charter of the City of Wauseon, the Ordinances and Resolutions of the City of Wauseon and the laws and constitution of the State of Ohio and the United States of America, to attend Council Meetings when necessary and to render legal opinions to the Council and Mayor upon their request as set forth in the Charter of the City of Wauseon.

Section 13.

That the employment terms set forth hereinabove shall be in effect from February 1, 2024, to January 31, 2026.

Section 14.

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	_____	_____

RESOLUTION 2023-23

A RESOLUTION APPROVING A WAGE INCREASE FOR FULL-TIME NON- UNION EMPLOYEES; AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY

WHEREAS, the City of Wauseon provides for monetary compensation for its employees; and

WHEREAS, City Council believes that the rates of compensation for its full-time, non-union employees should be modified; and

WHEREAS, the City believes those modifications should be effective the second full pay period in January 2024; and

WHEREAS, the proper payment of its City employees is necessary to ensure the proper functioning of the City of Wauseon; and

WHEREAS, this measure is therefore declared to be an emergency measure necessary to protect the health, safety and welfare of the citizens of Wauseon in order to ensure that the pay increase takes effect in January 2024.

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

Section 1.

That effective the second pay period in January, 2024, the wages of all full-time, non-union employees shall be increased by 5%.

Section 2.

This measure is hereby declared to be an emergency measure necessary to preserve the health, safety and welfare of the citizens of the City of Wauseon and should be in full force and effect 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

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ORDINANCE 2023-6

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING SECTION 191 OF THE CODIFIED ORDINANCES OF THE CITY OF WAUSEON; AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY

WHEREAS, the City’s Income Tax Ordinance is contained in Section 191 of the Codified Ordinances of the City of Wauseon; and

WHEREAS, Ohio House Bill 33 made certain changes to the State’s Municipal Income Tax provisions in Section 718 of the Ohio Revised Code which are effective October 3, 2023; and

WHEREAS, it is necessary that Section 191 of the City’s Codified Ordinances be revised to incorporate the changes included in House Bill 33; and

WHEREAS, this Resolution should be declared an emergency measure necessary for the immediate preservation of the health, safety, and public welfare of the City because the revisions to Section 718 of the Ohio Revised Code were made effective October 3, 2023;

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

Section 1.

That Section 191.03(11)(O) of the Codified Ordinances of the City of Wauseon be amended to read as follows:

“(O)(i) For tax years through 2023, all income of individuals or a class of individuals under sixteen years of age.

(ii) For tax years 2024 and after, the income of individuals under 18 years of age.”

Section 2.

That the first paragraph of Section 191.062(A) of the Codified Ordinances of the City of Wauseon be amended to read as follows:

“Except as otherwise provided in divisions (B)(1) and I of this section, net profit from a business or profession conducted both within and without the boundaries of the Municipality shall be considered as having a taxable situs in the Municipality for purposes of municipal income taxation in the same proportion as the average ratio of the following:”

Section 3.

That the first paragraph of Section 191.062(D) of the Codified Ordinances of the City of Wauseon be amended to read as follows:

“For the purpose of division (A)(3), and except as provided in division (I) of this section, receipts from sales and rentals made and services performed shall be situated to a municipal corporation as follows:”

Section 4.

That Section 191.062 of the Codified Ordinances of the City of Wauseon be amended to include a new division “I”, which shall state as follows:

“(I)(1) As used in this division:

(a) "Qualifying remote employee or owner" means an individual who is an employee of a taxpayer or who is a partner or member holding an ownership interest in a taxpayer that is treated as a partnership for federal income tax purposes, provided that the individual meets both of the following criteria:

(i) The taxpayer has assigned the individual to a qualifying reporting location.

(ii) The individual is permitted or required to perform services for the taxpayer at a qualifying remote work location.

(b) "Qualifying remote work location" means a permanent or temporary location at which an employee or owner chooses or is required to perform services for the taxpayer, other than a reporting location of the taxpayer or any other location owned or controlled by a customer or client of the taxpayer. "Qualifying remote work location" may include the residence of an employee or owner and may be located outside of a municipal corporation that imposes an income tax in accordance with this chapter. An employee or owner may have more than one qualifying remote work location during a taxable year.

(c) "Reporting location" means either of the following:

(i) A permanent or temporary place of doing business, such as an office, warehouse, storefront, construction site, or similar location, that is owned or controlled directly or indirectly by the taxpayer;

(ii) Any location in this state owned or controlled by a customer or client of the taxpayer, provided that the taxpayer is required to withhold taxes under Section 4 of this Chapter on qualifying wages paid to an employee for the performance of personal services at that location.

(d) "Qualifying reporting location" means one of the following:

(i) The reporting location in this state at which an employee or owner performs services for the taxpayer on a regular or periodic basis during the taxable year;

(ii) If no reporting location exists in this state for an employee or owner under division (I)(1)(d)(i) of this section, the reporting location in this state at which the employee's or owner's supervisor regularly or periodically reports during the taxable year;

(iii) If no reporting location exists in this state for an employee or owner under division (I)(1)(d)(i) or (ii) of this section, the location that the taxpayer otherwise assigns as the employee's or owner's qualifying reporting location, provided the assignment is made in good faith and is recorded and maintained in the taxpayer's business records. A taxpayer may change the qualifying reporting location designated for an employee or owner under this division at any time.

(2) For tax years ending on or after December 31, 2023, a taxpayer may elect to apply the provisions of this division to the apportionment of its net profit from a business or profession. For taxpayers that make this election, the provisions of divisions (A) through (F) of this section apply to such apportionment except as otherwise provided in this division.

A taxpayer shall make the election allowed under this division in writing on or with the taxpayer's net profit return or, if applicable, a timely filed amended net profit return or a timely filed appeal of an assessment. The election applies to the taxable year for which that return or appeal is filed and for all subsequent taxable years, until the taxpayer revokes the election.

The taxpayer shall make the initial election with the tax administrator of each municipal corporation with which, after applying the apportionment provisions authorized in this division, the taxpayer is required to file a net profit tax return for that taxable year. A taxpayer shall not be required to notify the tax administrator of a municipal corporation in which a qualifying remote employee's or owner's qualifying remote work location is located, unless the taxpayer is otherwise required to file a net profit return with that municipal corporation due to business operations that are unrelated to the employee's or owner's activity at the qualifying remote work location.

After the taxpayer makes the initial election, the election applies to every municipal corporation in which the taxpayer conducts business. The taxpayer shall not be required to file a net profit return with a municipal corporation solely because a qualifying remote employee's or owner's qualifying remote work location is located in such municipal corporation.

Nothing in this division prohibits a taxpayer from making a new election under this division after properly revoking a prior election.

(3) For the purpose of calculating the ratios described in division (B)(1) of this section, all of the following apply to a taxpayer that has made the election described in division (I)(2):

(a) For the purpose of division (A)(1) of this section, the average original cost of any tangible personal property used by a qualifying remote employee or owner at that individual's qualifying remote work location shall be situated to that individual's qualifying reporting location.

(b) For the purpose of division (A)(2) of this section, any wages, salaries, and other compensation paid during the taxable period to a qualifying remote employee or owner for services performed at that individual's qualifying remote work location shall be situated to that individual's qualifying reporting location.

(c) For the purpose of division (A)(3) of this section, and notwithstanding division (D)(4) of this section, any gross receipts of the business or profession from services performed during the taxable period by a qualifying remote employee or owner for services performed at that individual's qualifying remote work location shall be situated to that individual's qualifying reporting location.

(4) Nothing in this division prevents a taxpayer from requesting, or a tax administrator from requiring, that the taxpayer use, with respect to all or a portion of the income of the taxpayer, an alternative apportionment method as described in division (B)(1) of this section. However, a tax administrator shall not require an alternative apportionment method in such a manner that it would require a taxpayer to file a net profit return with a municipal corporation solely because a qualifying remote employee's or owner's qualifying remote work location is located in that municipal corporation.

(5) Except as otherwise provided in this division, nothing in this division is intended to affect the withholding of taxes on qualifying wages pursuant to Section 4 of this Chapter.”

Section 5.

That Section 191.091(A)(1) of the Codified Ordinances of the City of Wauseon be amended to state as follows:

“(A) An annual Municipal income tax return shall be completed and filed by every taxpayer for each taxable year for which the taxpayer is subject to the tax, whether or not a tax is due thereon.”

Section 6.

That Section 191.091(A)(3) of the Codified Ordinances of the City of Wauseon be deleted in its entirety.

Section 7.

That Section 191.094(A) of the Codified Ordinances of the City of Wauseon be amended to state as follows:

“(A) Any taxpayer that has duly requested an automatic six-month extension for filing the taxpayer's federal income tax return shall automatically receive an extension for the filing of a municipal income tax return. The extended due date of the municipal income tax return shall be the fifteenth day of the tenth month after the last day of the taxable year to which the return relates. For tax years ending on or after January 1, 2023, the extended due date of the municipal income tax return for a taxpayer that is not an individual shall be the 15th day of the eleventh month after the last day of the taxable year to which the return relates. A copy of the federal extension request shall be included with the filing of the municipal income tax return.”

Section 8.

That Section 191.094 of the Codified Ordinances of the City of Wauseon be amended to include a new division “(F)” which shall state as follows:

“(F) If a taxpayer receives an extension for the filing of a municipal income tax return under division (B), (C), or (D) of this section, or division (G)(2) of section 191.09, the tax administrator shall not make any inquiry or send any notice to the taxpayer with regard to the return on or before the date the taxpayer files the return or on or before the extended due date to file the return, whichever occurs first.

If a tax administrator violates division (F) of this section, the municipal corporation shall reimburse the taxpayer for any reasonable costs incurred to respond to such inquiry or notice, up to \$150.

Division (F) of this section does not apply to an extension received under division (A) of this section if the tax administrator has actual knowledge that the taxpayer failed to file for a federal extension as required to receive the extension under division (A) of this section or failed to file for an extension under division (C) of this section.”

Section 9.

That Section 191.094 of the Codified Ordinances of the City of Wauseon be amended to include a new division “(G)” which shall state as follows:

“(G) To the extent that any provision in this division (F) of this section conflicts with any provision of Section 191.092, the provisions of Section 191.092 shall prevail.”

Section 10.

That Section 191.10(C)(4) of the Codified Ordinances of the City of Wauseon be amended to state as follows:

(a) For tax years ending on or before December 31, 2022, with respect to returns other than estimated income tax returns, the City may impose a penalty of \$25 for each failure to timely file each return, regardless of the liability shown thereon for each month, or any fraction thereof, during which the return remains unfiled regardless of the liability shown thereon. The penalty shall not exceed \$150 for each failure.

(b) For tax years ending on or after January 1, 2023, with respect to returns other than estimated income tax returns, the City may impose a penalty not exceeding \$25 for each failure to timely file each return, regardless of the liability shown thereon, except that the City shall abate or refund the penalty assessed on a taxpayer's first failure to timely file a return after the taxpayer files that return.

Section 11.

That the Codified Ordinances of the City of Wauseon be amended to include a new Section 191.30, which shall state as follows:

“SECTION 191.30 ELECTION TO BE SUBJECT TO R.C. 718.80 TO 718.95

(A) The City hereby adopts and incorporates herein by reference Sections 718.80 to 718.95 of the ORC for tax years beginning on or after January 1, 2018.

(B) A taxpayer, as defined in division (C) of this section, may elect to be subject to Sections 718.80 to 718.95 of the ORC in lieu of the provisions of this Chapter.

(C) “Taxpayer” has the same meaning as in section 718.01 of the ORC, except that “taxpayer” does not include natural persons or entities subject to the tax imposed under Chapter 5745 of the ORC. “Taxpayer” may include receivers, assignees, or trustees in bankruptcy when such persons are required to assume the role of a taxpayer.”

Section 12.

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
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ORDINANCE 2023-7

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING SECTION 1114 OF THE CODIFIED ORDINANCES OF THE CITY OF WAUSEON TO ADD A NEW SECTION 1114.12 TITLED “ADULT USE CANNABIS OPERATORS”; AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY

WHEREAS, on November 7, 2023, voters in Ohio approved State Issue 2, which enacts new Chapter 3780 of the Ohio Revised Code, effective thirty days from the date of the election; and

WHEREAS, R.C. 3780 authorizes and regulates recreational adult use cannabis operators permitted under R.C. 3780 in the state of Ohio; and

WHEREAS, R.C. 3780.25 authorizes a city to prohibit adult use cannabis operators within the corporate limits of the city; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to R.C. 3780.01(A)(2), “adult use cannabis operator” means a level I adult use cultivator, a level II adult use cultivator, a level III adult use cultivator, an adult use processor, and an adult use dispensary; and

WHEREAS, Council finds that prohibiting adult use cannabis operators within the City of Wauseon is necessary and proper to protect the health, safety, welfare, comfort, and peace of the citizens of the City of Wauseon; 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 the Chapter 3780 went into effect on December 7, 2023;

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

Section 1.

That section 1114 of the Codified Ordinances of the City of Wauseon be amended to provide a new Section 1114.12, as follows:

1114.12 ADULT USE CANNABIS OPERATORS

(a) The term “adult use cannabis operator” shall have the same meaning as in Section 3780(A)(2) of the Ohio Revised Code, effective December 7, 2023.

(b) No person or entity licensed as an adult use cannabis operator under Section 3780 of the Ohio Revised Code shall open, establish, or operate any business or commercial enterprise of any kind within the corporate limits of the City.

(c) No zoning clearance, permit, or other administrative approval shall be approved or issued by any administrative official of the City, nor shall any variance be approved or granted, to any person, entity or other applicant desiring or intending to operate a business or commercial enterprise as an adult use cannabis operator within the corporate limits of the City.

(d) Any use or condition caused or permitted to exist in violation of any of the provisions of this Section 1114.12 shall be and hereby is declared to be a public nuisance and may be abated by the City.

Section 2.

That this Ordinance 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

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RESOLUTION 2023-16

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO ENTER INTO AN AGREEMENT FOR A COUNTYWIDE EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT AGENCY PURSUANT TO OHIO REVISED CODE SECTION 5502; AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY

WHEREAS, there is an existing possibility of the occurrence of destruction resulting from enemy attack, or from natural or man-made disaster, and it is necessary to ensure that the preparations of this City will be adequate to deal with such disasters and generally to provide for the common defense, and to protect the public order, health, safety and general welfare, and to preserve the lives and property of the citizens of this City; and

WHEREAS, the City of Wauseon may need to call on County government, other local subdivisions with the County, and/or subdivisions, local governments, and state and federal resources outside the City to mitigate, prepare for, respond to, or recover from said emergency, disaster, enemy attack or unusual occurrence; and

WHEREAS, the coordination of civil defense activities within the area of Fulton County is of paramount importance to the City of Wauseon, as well as to Fulton County and the other local subdivisions therein; and

WHEREAS, the County of Fulton desires to effect said coordination by entering into an agreement, in the manner provided by law, with the various municipal corporations and townships; and

WHEREAS, Ohio Revised Code section 5502.26 constitutes the legal basis for the establishment of a county-wide Emergency Management Agency with the power to coordinate and unify the civil defense activities of the participants thereof; and

WHEREAS, the City of Wauseon has been a signatory to an agreement authorizing the formation of the Fulton County Emergency Management Agency; and

WHEREAS, the City of Wauseon desires to continue to be a member of the Fulton County Emergency Management Agency; and

WHEREAS, a copy of 2024 Agreement For A Countywide Emergency Management

Agency is on file in the Office of the Clerk of Council; and

WHEREAS, this Resolution should be declared an emergency measure necessary for the immediate preservation of the health, safety, and public welfare of the City because the current Agreement expires at the end of the year;

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 2024 Agreement For A Countywide Emergency Management Agency, 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.

Section 3.

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

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RESOLUTION 2023-17

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING HOLIDAY PAY FOR PART-TIME, NON-SEASONAL EMPLOYEES; AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY

WHEREAS, pursuant to Resolution 2018-27, auxiliary, part-time dispatchers, and part-time patrolman in the Police Department, and part-time Firefighters, EMTs, and Paramedics in the Fire Department, receive holiday pay when working on some but not all City-recognized holidays; and

WHEREAS, part-time, non-seasonal employees, other than those who are members of the Police Department or Fire Department, do not receive any holiday pay for any City-recognized holidays; and

WHEREAS, City Council desires that all part-time, non-seasonal employees of the City of Wauseon receive holiday pay when working on each City-recognized holiday; and

WHEREAS, this Resolution should be declared an emergency measure necessary for the immediate preservation of the health, safety, and public welfare of the City, and in order that holiday pay will take effect prior to the next holiday;

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

Section 1.

Commencing with the effective date of this Resolution, all part-time, seasonal employees of the City shall receive holiday pay (time-and-a-half) when working on City-recognized holidays.

Section 2.

Resolution 2018-27 is hereby vacated in its entirety.

Section 3

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

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RESOLUTION 2023-18

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO ENTER INTO AN AGREEMENT FOR INDIGENT DEFENSE SERVICES IN COUNTY COURT WITH THE FULTON COUNTY COMMISSIONERS; AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY

WHEREAS, since 2011 the City of Wauseon has contracted with the Fulton County Commissioners for the City’s reimbursement to Fulton County for the County’s costs incurred in providing legal services to indigents charged with violation of ordinances of the City of Wauseon; and

WHEREAS, the County has indicated that it desires to enter into a new Agreement for Indigent Defense Services In County Court for 2024 (“2024 Agreement”) which is substantively identical to the previous year’s contract; and

WHEREAS, the City desires to enter into the 2024 Agreement; and

WHEREAS, a copy of the 2024 Agreement is on file in the office of the Clerk of Council; and

WHEREAS, this Resolution should be declared an emergency measure necessary for the immediate preservation of the health, safety, and public welfare of the City because the current Agreement expires at the end of the year;

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

Section 1.

That the Mayor or her designee is authorized to execute the 2024 Agreement on file with the Clerk of Council.

Section 2.

The Mayor or her designee is further authorized to execute any and all documents necessary to effectuate the intention of Council pursuant to this Resolution.

Section 3.

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

Attested:

Korin Miller
Clerk of Council

Approved as to Form:

Thomas A. McWatters III
City Law Director

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RESOLUTION 2023-20

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO ENTER INTO AGREEMENTS FOR HEALTH INSURANCE COVERAGE WITH PARETO CAPTIVE SERVICES, LUCENT HEALTH SERVICES, AND TOKIO MARINE HCC; AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY

WHEREAS, the City of Wauseon provides health insurance coverage for its qualified employees; and

WHEREAS, that insurance will soon expire; and

WHEREAS, Council has now determined that obtaining insurance through Pareto Captive Services, LLC is the best arrangement for obtaining insurance coverage; and

WHEREAS, the Mayor should be authorized to enter into an agreement with Pareto Captive Services, LLC, Lucent Health Services, and Tokio Marine HCC for purposes of providing the necessary health insurance coverage; and

WHEREAS, the passage of this resolution is necessary in order to provide health insurance coverage for the eligible employees of the City of Wauseon and is therefore necessary to protect the health, safety and welfare of the citizens of the City of Wauseon and should be declared an emergency measure.

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

Section 1.

Pareto Captive Services, LLC is hereby declared to be the best source for providing health insurance coverage pursuant to the specifications on file in the office of the Clerk of Council.

Section 2.

The Mayor is hereby authorized to enter into an agreement with Pareto Captive Services, LLC, Lucent Health Services, and Tokio Marine HCC for purposes of providing health insurance coverage for the year 2024.

Section 3.

The Mayor is further authorized to execute any and all documents necessary to effectuate the intention of Council pursuant to the Resolution.

Section 4.

This matter is hereby declared to be an emergency matter urgently necessary in order to provide health insurance coverage for all eligible employees of the City of Wauseon and this measure should therefore be declared an emergency measure and shall be in full force and effect 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

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RESOLUTION 2023-21

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO ENTER INTO AN AGREEMENT WITH THE STANDARD TO PROVIDE LIFE INSURANCE AND VOLUNTARY DENTAL AND VISION INSURANCE FOR FULL-TIME EMPLOYEES; AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY

WHEREAS, the City currently offers life insurance and voluntary dental and vision insurance to all full-time employees; and

WHEREAS, City Council desires to continue to offer life insurance and voluntary dental and vision insurance; and

WHEREAS, City Council desires that the City enter into an agreement with The Standard pursuant to the proposal on file in the office of the Clerk of Council to provide such coverage for 2023; and

WHEREAS, this Resolution should be declared an emergency measure necessary for the immediate preservation of the health, safety, and public welfare of the City, and in order that that the insurance be available January 1, 2024;

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

Section 1.

The Mayor is hereby authorized to execute an agreement with The Standard for the provision of life insurance and voluntary dental and vision insurance for all full-time employees for 2024 pursuant to the proposal on file in the office of the Clerk of Council.

Section 2.

The Mayor is further authorized to execute any and all documents necessary to effectuate the intention of Council pursuant to the Resolution.

Section 3.

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

2024 Holiday Calendar City Offices will be closed

Monday, January 1, 2024 – New Year's

Tuesday, January 2, 2024 – New Year's

Friday, March 29, 2024 – Good Friday

Monday, May 27, 2024 – Memorial Day

Thursday, July 4, 2024 – Independence Day

Monday, September 2, 2024 – Labor Day

Thursday, November 28, 2024 – Thanksgiving

Friday, November 29, 2024 – Thanksgiving

Tuesday, December 24, 2023 – Christmas

Wednesday, December 25, 2024 - Christmas

Tuesday, December 31, 2024 – New Year's

Wednesday, January 1, 2025 – New Year's