

**WAUSEON CITY COUNCIL
COUNCIL MEETING
Monday, March 7, 2022**

Mayor Huner called this meeting of the Wauseon City Council to order at 5:00 p.m. in 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 Heising, Schneider, Chamberlin, and Tijerina to constitute a quorum for the transaction of city business. Councilor Stickley had an excused absence.

MINUTES

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

All in favor: *Motion Passed Unanimously*

OATH OF OFFICE

Mayor Huner administered the oath of office for newly elected Clerk of Council, Adrienne Baumgartner, for the term March 7, 2022 to January 31, 2024.

DEPARTMENT HEAD REPORTS

Assistant Fire Chief Kessler said the Wauseon Fire Department was first on the scene to assist in a large barn fire. Eight Local Fire Departments were there to help save around six hundred out of seven hundred and eighty pigs.

Police Chief Chittenden said there was an uptick of activity with spring approaching.

Director of Public Service, Keith Torbet mentioned the Fulton County Economic Development Corporation's Annual Meeting & Awards Banquet. The streets Committee is working on prioritizing which city roads need repaired.

Director of Finance, Jamie Giguere said the income tax is up 6.7% from 2021. People are utilizing the online platform for their City Income Tax.

Law Director, Tom McWatters, described the legislation that will be voted on tonight and mentioned that the Police Department Mediation will be tomorrow, March 8, 2022, at 8:30 a.m.

FIRST READING OF LEGISLATION OR EMERGENCY

Resolution 2022-3: A Resolution Authorizing the Mayor to Advertise for Bids for the Reconstruction of South Brunell; Authorizing the Mayor to Accept the Lowest and Best Bid; and Authorizing the Mayor to Enter into Contract with the Lowest and Best Bidder; and Declaring an Emergency

Motion to place Resolution 2022-3 on emergency reading moved by Councilor Schneider and seconded by Councilor Tijerina.

Vote: 5 Yeas 0 Nays *Motion Carries*

Motion to place Resolution 2022-3 on final reading and the final reading be passed moved by Councilor Chamberlin and seconded by Council President Stiriz.

Vote: 5 Yeas 0 Nays *Motion Carries*

Resolution 2022-4: A Resolution to Amend Ordinance 2021-14 Annual Appropriation Ordinance by Authorizing the Director of Finance to Increase or Decrease Certain Line Account Appropriations within the Various Funds Listed within the Year of 2021

Motion to place Ordinance 2022-4 on final reading and the final reading be passed moved by Councilor Chamberlin and seconded by Council President Stiriz.

Vote: 5 Yeas 0 Nays *Motion Carries*

SECOND READING OF LEGISLATION OR EMERGENCY

Resolution 2022-2: A Resolution Authorizing the Mayor to Enter into an Agreement with Dillin Control Systems for Engineering Services

Motion to place Resolution 2022-2 on second reading and the second reading be passed moved by Councilor Heising and seconded by Councilor Tijerina.

Vote: 5 Yeas 0 Nays *Motion Carries*

THIRD READING OF LEGISLATION OR EMERGENCY

Motion to amend Ordinance 2022-1 moved by Councilor Chamberlin and seconded by Councilor Schneider.

Vote: 5 Yeas 0 Nays *Motion Carries*

Ordinance 2022-1: An Ordinance authorizing the Creation of the Seneca Drive Incentive District Within the City of Wauseon; Declaring Improvements to Certain Real Property Within Such Incentive District to be a Public Purpose; Describing the Public Infrastructure Improvements to be Made to Benefit or Serve the Real Property Within such Incentive District; Declaring Such Property to be Exempt from Real Property Taxation; Requiring Annual Service Payments in Lieu of Taxes; Providing for Minimum Service Payments; Establishing a Municipal Public Improvement Tax Increment Equivalent Fund; and Providing Related Authorizations Pursuant to Ohio Revised Code Sections 5709.40(C), 5709.42, 5709.43, 5709.832 and 5709.85; and Declaring an Emergency

Motion to place Ordinance 2022-1 on emergency reading and the emergency reading be passed moved by Councilor Tijerina and seconded by Councilor Heising.

Vote: 5 Yeas 0 Nays *Motion Carries*

Motion to place Ordinance 2022-1 on final reading and the final reading be passed moved by Councilor Schneider and seconded by Council President Stiriz.

Vote: 5 Yeas 0 Nays *Motion Carries*

Resolution 2022-1: A Resolution Authorizing the Mayor to Enter into an Agreement with the Ohio State Attorney General for Collection of Delinquent Taxes; and Declaring an Emergency

Motion to place Resolution 2022-1 on emergency reading and the emergency reading be passed moved by Councilor Heising and seconded by Councilor Tijerina.

Vote: 5 Yeas 0 Nays *Motion Carries*

Motion to place Resolution 2022-1 on final reading and the final reading be passed moved by Councilor Chamberlin and seconded by Council President Stiriz.

Vote: 5 Yeas 0 Nays *Motion Carries*

NEW BUSINESS

Mayor Huner gave a summary of the 2021 Annual Report. The City of Wauseon was able to lift many Covid-19 restrictions, allowing the city to slowly return to pre-covid times. The Wauseon Police Department handled 11,896 calls. Domestic Violence calls were down 32% from 2020. The Finance Department ended the year with \$868,829 more than the beginning of last year. The Wauseon Fire Department responded to 1,730 calls in 2021. Fulton County Economic Development Corporation and the Administration are putting together the City's first residential TIF project. The Water Reclamation plant treated 466.55 million gallons of wastewater and had zero violations for 2021. The Water Plant treated 294.884 million gallons of water in 2021 with an average daily production of 808,000 gallons. Improvements happened all around the city including extension of the city pool snack shack, a rebuild of the bridge at Homecoming Park, repaving of South Shoop Avenue, and the replacement of many ADA sidewalk ramps.

APPROVAL OF THE BILLS

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

Vote: 5 Yeas 0 Nays *Motion Carries*

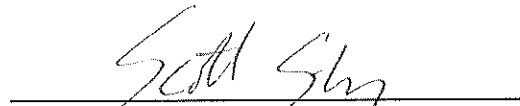
ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, Councilor Heising moved and seconded by Councilor Chamberlin to adjourn this meeting at 5:27 p.m.

All in favor: *Motion Passed Unanimously*



Adrienne Baumgartner, Clerk of Council



Scott Stiriz, President of Council