

WHITEHALL CITY COUNCIL MEETING  
MINUTES – NOVEMBER 1, 2016

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Council President Jim Graham called the regular meeting of Whitehall City Council to order at 7:00 p.m. on Tuesday, November 1, 2016.

At President Graham's request, everyone rose for a moment of silence. The Pledge of Allegiance was then recited by those assembled.

On roll call by the clerk, the following members of council were present:

Van Gregg  
Karen Conison  
Wes Kantor  
Lee Stahley  
Bob Bailey  
Chris Rodriguez

EXCUSE ABSENT MEMBER

Mr. Bailey moved to excuse the absent member and Mr. Rodriguez seconded the motion. There was no discussion. On a roll call vote, the six present members responded in the affirmative and Mr. Morrison was excused.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Ms. Conison moved to approve the Minutes of the October 18, 2016 agenda and regular meetings. Mr. Kantor seconded the motion. There was no discussion. On a roll call vote, the six present members responded in the affirmative and the Minutes were approved as submitted.

SPECIAL PRESENTATION

Mr. Marty Stultz, COTA Vice President of Corporate Communications, Marketing and Customer Service, 33 N High St # 1, Columbus, OH 43215. He discussed the importance of the renewal of Issue 60 on the ballot this Tuesday. He described all the services that were added since the levy was passed 10 years ago. Mr. Stahley asked what the plans were if this renewal levy passes. Mr. Stultz said that the levy will allow Cota to maintain the current services. President Graham asked if he has an estimate of how many automobiles Cota eliminates from our streets. Mr. Stultz said Cota estimates 40 to 50 automobiles are off the roadways and highways. Mr. Bailey asked if this renewal will assure that Cbus will continue. Mr. Stultz said that Cbus is a free service paid for by Cota; the levy would not affect that service. He concluded by asking for council's vote for the renewal levy, Issue 60.

RESOLUTION NO. 067-2016 was read by title only by President Graham:

“SUPPORTING THE 2016 COTA LEVY APPEARING ON THE NOVEMBER  
8, 2016 BALLOT AS ISSUE 60, AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.”

Mr. Rodriguez introduced and moved to suspend the rules on Resolution No. 067-2016 and Mr. Stahley seconded the motion. There was no discussion. On a roll call vote, the six present members responded in the affirmative and the rules were suspended.

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Mr. Rodriguez then moved to adopt Resolution No. 067-2016 and Mr. Stahley seconded the motion. There was no discussion. On a roll call vote, the six present members voted in the affirmative and RESOLUTION NO. 067-2016 was adopted.

### POLL PUBLIC

John Wolf, 3729 Elbern Ave. Former Mayor Wolf explained some concerns regarding the City of Whitehall Charter and Civil Service matters.

Paul Werther, 4483 San Jose Ln. Mr. Werther thanked council and the administration for the new curbs and gutters. He also voiced his concerns regarding how fast people drive through the stop sign on San Jose at Norton Field Park. He said that area has an influx of new children from the apartments and he is very concerned a child is going to get hit. He asked if the city could upgrade the current stop sign to one that lights up.

Mayor Maggard explained the changes in the Civil Service rules along with responding to the other concerns.

### STANDING COMMITTEE REPORTS

Administration and Financial Management – Chairperson Bailey reported that they met last Tuesday and discussed several pieces of legislation that are on the agenda tonight. Their minutes are on file. They will meet again next week, sometime after 6:30 p.m.

Community Engagement – Chairperson Conison reported that they met last week and their minutes are on file. They will meet again next week, sometime after 6:30 p.m.

Community Standards and Enforcement – Chairperson Rodriguez said that they met last week and their minutes are on file. They will meet again next week, sometime after 6:30 p.m.

Economic Development – President Graham reported that Chairperson Morrison was unable to come to the meeting; however they met last week and their minutes are on file. They will meet again next week, sometime after 6:30 p.m.

Infrastructure, Maintenance and Services – Chairperson Gregg said that they met last week. Their minutes are on file. They will meet next week, sometime after 6:30 p.m.

Public Safety – Chairperson Stahley said they met last week and their minutes are on file. The Safety Committee will meet next week, sometime after 6:30 p.m. Mr. Stahley welcomed back Safety Director Chuck Underwood. He congratulated the Whitehall Firefighter team that came in the top 30 in the Scott Firefighter Combat World Championship Challenge.

Parks and Recreation – Chairperson Kantor said that they met last week and their minutes are on file. They too will meet next week, sometime after 6:30 p.m.

### OFFICIALS' REPORTS

Mayor Kim Maggard – had no official report tonight.

City Attorney Michael Bivens – reported there were 104 active cases for the month of October and only 37 were Whitehall residents. He stated that today was the first day for the

Columbus Urban League coming to our mayor's court for our new diversion program. They screened eight individuals and the urban league took six. He explained the city is benefitting from this service and not paying anything for it. The idea of this is to make Whitehall the strategic community to the city of Columbus because a majority of our cases are Columbus residents so we can't ignore that they need help. He said Mayor's court is not becoming a social service agency; safety is the number one concern. Unofficially, he is rooting for the Whitehall Rams this Saturday. He shared that his son has become a good football player and he is very proud of him.

City Auditor Dan Miller – had no official report tonight.

Director of Service and Development Zach Woodruff – reported that they are almost done with San Jose. He said that the Hamilton Rd. project continues to make progress. He hopes that next week the entrance to Community Park will be done.

Safety Director Chuck Underwood – had no official report tonight. He heard from the new police chief that he is excited about his job and he speaks highly about the environment he walked in to. He also congratulated the Whitehall fire team that did very well in the Scott Firefighter Combat World Championship Challenge.

Treasurer Steve Quincel – was not present.

Council President Jim Graham - advised that the following Officials' Reports have been filed in the Council Office since the last meeting: The Division of Fire Overtime Report for September 2016; Minutes of the September 22, 2016 and October 4, 2016, meetings of the Parks & Recreation Commission; Agenda for the October 27, 2016, meeting of the Parks & Recreation Commission; Parks and Rec Special Meeting Agenda for November 3, 2016 at Whitehall Community Park.

#### COMMUNICATIONS, PETITIONS & CLAIMS

1. Minutes of the September 22, 2016 and October 4, 2016, meetings of the Parks & Recreation Commission.
2. Agenda for the October 27, 2016, meeting of the Parks & Recreation Commission.

#### VERIFICATION OF COPIES

President Graham requested a roll call on whether each member of council received a copy of each item of legislation listed on the agenda prior to the meeting, including any add-on legislation. The six present members responded in the affirmative.

#### THIRD READING

There was no legislation for third reading.

#### SECOND READING

ORDINANCE NO. 103-2016 was read by title only by President Graham:

“DECLARING THE IMPROVEMENT TO CERTAIN PARCELS OF REAL PROPERTY WITHIN THE AIR SOUTH DEVELOPMENT AREA TO BE A PUBLIC PURPOSE AND EXEMPT FROM TAXATION; PROVIDING FOR THE COLLECTION AND DEPOSIT OF SERVICE PAYMENTS; AND

**SPECIFYING THE PURPOSES FOR WHICH THOSE SERVICE PAYMENTS  
MAY BE EXPENDED.”**

Mr. Bailey introduced and moved to suspend the rules on Ordinance No. 103-2016 and Ms. Conison seconded the motion. There was no discussion. On a roll call vote, the six present members responded in the affirmative and the rules were suspended.

Mr. Bailey then moved to adopt Ordinance No. 103-2016 and Ms. Conison seconded the motion. There was no discussion. On a roll call vote, the six present members voted in the affirmative and ORDINANCE NO. 103-2016 was adopted.

ORDINANCE NO. 104-2016 was read by title only by President Graham:

**“DECLARING THE IMPROVEMENT TO CERTAIN PARCELS FOR THE  
CREATIVE PALETTE PROJECT TO BE A PUBLIC PURPOSE AND EXEMPT  
FROM TAXATION; PROVIDING FOR THE COLLECTION AND DEPOSIT  
OF SERVICE PAYMENTS AND SPECIFYING THE PURPOSES  
FOR WHICH THOSE SERVICE PAYMENTS MAY BE EXPENDED; AND  
AUTHORIZING SCHOOL COMPENSATION PAYMENTS.”**

Mr. Rodriguez introduced and moved to suspend the rules on Ordinance No. 104-2016 and Mr. Kantor seconded the motion. There was no discussion. On a roll call vote, the six present members responded in the affirmative and the rules were suspended.

Mr. Rodriguez then moved to adopt Ordinance No. 104-2016 and Mr. Kantor seconded the motion. There was no discussion. On a roll call vote, the six present members voted in the affirmative and ORDINANCE NO. 104-2016 was adopted.

ORDINANCE NO. 105-2016 was read by title only by President Graham:

**“DECLARING THE IMPROVEMENT TO CERTAIN PARCELS ALONG  
ETNA ROAD IN THE CITY TO BE A PUBLIC PURPOSE AND EXEMPT  
FROM TAXATION; PROVIDING FOR THE COLLECTION AND DEPOSIT  
OF SERVICE PAYMENTS AND SPECIFYING THE PURPOSES FOR  
WHICH THOSE SERVICE PAYMENTS MAY BE EXPENDED; AND  
AUTHORIZING SCHOOL COMPENSATION PAYMENTS.”**

Mr. Rodriguez introduced and moved to suspend the rules on Ordinance No. 105-2016 and Mr. Kantor seconded the motion. There was no discussion. On a roll call vote, the six present members responded in the affirmative and the rules were suspended.

Mr. Rodriguez then moved to adopt Ordinance No. 105-2016 and Mr. Kantor seconded the motion. There was no discussion. On a roll call vote, the six present members voted in the affirmative and ORDINANCE NO. 105-2016 was adopted.

ORDINANCE NO. 107-2016 was read by title only by President Graham:

**“MAKING AND APPROVING A SUPPLEMENTAL APPROPRIATION OF  
FIVE HUNDRED SEVENTY-FIVE THOUSAND AND NO/100 DOLLARS  
FROM UNAPPROPRIATED MONIES IN THE GENERAL FUND TO THE**

TRANSFER EXPENSE ACCOUNT (101-950-59999); APPROVING A FUND TRANSFER IN THE AMOUNT OF FIVE HUNDRED SEVENTY-FIVE THOUSAND AND NO/100 DOLLARS (\$575,000.00) FROM THE TRANSFER EXPENSE ACCOUNT (101-950-59999) TO VARIOUS FUNDS AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.”

ORDINANCE NO. 108-2016 was read by title only by President Graham:

“APPROVING AND MAKING A FUND TRANSFER IN THE AMOUNT OF THIRTY-TWO THOUSAND EIGHT HUNDRED TWENTY-TWO AND 78/100 DOLLARS (\$32,822.78) FROM VARIOUS ACCOUNTS IN THE WMPITIE FUND (279) TO THE DEBT SERVICE FUND (401), MAKING A SUPPLEMENTAL APPROPRIATION OF THIRTY-TWO THOUSAND EIGHT HUNDRED TWENTY-TWO AND 78/100 DOLLARS (\$32,822.78) FROM THE DEBT SERVICE FUND (401) TO THE DEBT SERVICE ACCOUNT (401.000.50000) AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.”

Mr. Bailey introduced and moved to suspend the rules on Ordinance No. 108-2016 and Mr. Gregg seconded the motion. There was no discussion. On a roll call vote, the six present members responded in the affirmative and the rules were suspended.

Mr. Bailey then moved to adopt Ordinance No. 108-2016 and Mr. Gregg seconded the motion. There was no discussion. On a roll call vote, the six present members voted in the affirmative and ORDINANCE NO. 108-2016 was adopted.

ORDINANCE NO. 109-2016 was read by title only by President Graham:

“APPROVING AND MAKING A SUPPLEMENTAL APPROPRIATION OF THIRTY-TWO THOUSAND EIGHT HUNDRED TWENTY-TWO AND 78/100 DOLLARS (\$32,822.78) FROM UNAPPROPRIATED MONIES IN THE WMPITIE FUND (279) TO VARIOUS ACCOUNTS IN THE WMPITIE FUND (279) AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.”

Mr. Bailey introduced and moved to suspend the rules on Ordinance No. 109-2016 and Mr. Gregg seconded the motion. There was no discussion. On a roll call vote, the six present members responded in the affirmative and the rules were suspended.

Mr. Bailey then moved to adopt Ordinance No. 109-2016 and Mr. Gregg seconded the motion. There was no discussion. On a roll call vote, the six present members voted in the affirmative and ORDINANCE NO. 109-2016 was adopted.

ORDINANCE NO. 110-2016 was read by title only by President Graham:

“APPROVING AND MAKING A SUPPLEMENTAL APPROPRIATION OF NINE THOUSAND THREE HUNDRED NINETEEN AND NO/100 DOLLARS (\$9,319.00) FROM PREVIOUSLY UNAPPROPRIATED MONIES IN THE LAW ENFORCEMENT TRUST FUND (241) TO THE LAW ENFORCEMENT TRUST SETASIDE FORFEITURE EXPENSE ACCOUNT (241-000-51000) AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.”

Mr. Bailey introduced and moved to amend Ordinance No. 110-2016 as shown in the copy before Council this evening. Mr. Stahley seconded the motion. There was no discussion. On a roll call vote, the six present members responded in the affirmative and the motion carried.

Mr. Bailey then moved to suspend the rules on Ordinance No. 110-2016 (Amended 11/1/2016) and Mr. Stahley seconded the motion. There was no discussion. On a roll call vote, the six present members responded in the affirmative and the rules were suspended.

Mr. Bailey then moved to adopt Ordinance No. 110-2016 (Amended 11/1/2016) and Mr. Stahley seconded the motion. There was no discussion. On a roll call vote, the six present members voted in the affirmative and ORDINANCE NO. 110-2016 (Amended 11/1/2016) was adopted.

RESOLUTION NO. 065-2016 was read by title only by President Graham:

“AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO ENTER INTO AN AGREEMENT WITH THE WHITEHALL CITY SCHOOL DISTRICT.”

Mr. Kantor introduced and moved to suspend the rules on Resolution No. 065-2016 and Ms. Conison seconded the motion. There was no discussion. On a roll call vote, the six present members responded in the affirmative and the rules were suspended.

Mr. Kantor then moved to adopt Resolution No. 065-2016 and Ms. Conison seconded the motion. There was no discussion. On a roll call vote, the six present members voted in the affirmative and RESOLUTION NO. 065-2016 was adopted.

#### FIRST READING

ORDINANCE NO. 111-2016 was read by title only by President Graham:

“APPROVING AND MAKING AN APPROPRIATION TRANSFER IN THE AMOUNT OF SEVEN THOUSAND AND NO/100 DOLLARS (\$7,000.00) FROM THE STAFF ACCOUNT (101.100.51500) TO THE CLERK OF COUNCIL ACCOUNT (101.100.51200) AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.”

ORDINANCE NO. 112-2016 was read by title only by President Graham:

“APPROVING AND MAKING AN APPROPRIATION TRANSFER IN THE AMOUNT OF EIGHTEEN THOUSAND AND NO/100 DOLLARS (\$18,000.00) FROM THE RECORD CLERKS’ SALARIES ACCOUNT (101.960.51500) TO THE RADIO OPERATORS’ SALARY ACCOUNT (101.960.51300) AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.”

ORDINANCE NO. 113-2016 was read by title only by President Graham:

“AMENDING SECTION 902.18 TITLED “CONSTRUCTION, RELOCATION AND RESTORATION” OF THE STREETS AND PUBLIC SERVICES CODE OF THE CITY OF WHITEHALL.”

Mr. Gregg introduced and moved to suspend the rules on Ordinance No. 113-2016 and Mr. Rodriguez seconded the motion. There was no discussion. On a roll call vote, the six present members responded in the affirmative and the rules were suspended.

Mr. Gregg then moved to adopt Ordinance No. 113-2016 and Mr. Rodriguez seconded the motion. There was no discussion. On a roll call vote, the six present members voted in the affirmative and ORDINANCE NO. 113-2016 was adopted.

ORDINANCE NO. 114-2016 was read by title only by President Graham:

“AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO ADD AN ADDENDUM TO THE COLLECTIVELY BARGAINED CONTRACT WITH THE COMMUNICATIONS WORKERS OF AMERICA, LOCAL 4320 (CWA) AS BARGAINING REPRESENTATIVE FOR BARGAINING UNIT EMPLOYEES NOTED IN SAID CONTRACT, THAT WAS REFERRED TO IN ORDINANCE NO. 082-2016 AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.”

Mr. Stahley introduced and moved to suspend the rules on Ordinance No. 114-2016 and Ms. Conison seconded the motion. There was no discussion. On a roll call vote, the six present members responded in the affirmative and the rules were suspended.

Mr. Stahley then moved to adopt Ordinance No. 114-2016 and Ms. Conison seconded the motion. There was no discussion. On a roll call vote, the six present members voted in the affirmative and ORDINANCE NO. 114-2016 was adopted.

ORDINANCE NO. 115-2016 was read by title only by President Graham:

“AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO EXECUTE AND DELIVER A PURCHASE AND SALE AGREEMENT AND OTHER APPROPRIATE DOCUMENTS ON BEHALF OF THE CITY TO BUY THE SCHOFIELD DRIVE PORTION OF TAX PARCEL 090-008402 FROM OFFICE CITY, INC FOR ONE DOLLAR (\$1.00).”

#### POLL PUBLIC

There were no comments at this time.

#### COMMUNITY DATE BOARD

Ms. Martineau thanked everyone from coming out last night for trick or treat. She stated that Whitehall is recruiting for Police Officers at local universities along with the city’s web-site. She said the city and the YMCA are looking for additional members to participate in focus groups and take the survey. Currently there are 150 forms and we are looking for 300. Events are listed on the City’s website.

Ms. Conison said this Saturday is the Whitehall vs Bexley Football Game. Ms. Conison thanked everyone for coming to the Halloween Walk. She stated that they had over 250 children and many family members. It was crowded, but exciting and next year will even be bigger and better. She said the Veteran’s Day parade is a week away and she hopes everyone will come to that as well.

Mr. Stahley stated there will be two new police officers sworn in this Friday at 3:00 p.m. at City Hall.

POLL COUNCIL

Mr. Gregg thanked everyone for coming and hopes that everyone has a good evening.

Ms. Conison thanked everyone for coming and hopes to see everyone next time.

Mr. Kantor thanked everyone for coming and asked everyone to come to the Whitehall game this Saturday.

Mr. Stahley thanked everyone for coming. He shared with Attorney Bevin's that he had a citizen call him that had been looking for a job and he was able to refer them to the Urban League.

Mr. Bailey said it is nice to see everyone tonight and that Whitehall can beat Bexley.

Mr. Rodriguez thanked everyone for coming.

President Graham also thanked everyone for coming and said for the Indians' fans out there," Go Indians."

Having nothing further, Mr. Bailey moved to adjourn and Mr. Rodriguez seconded the motion. On a roll call vote, the six present members responded in the affirmative and the meeting adjourned at 7:54 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

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Mary Freimark, Clerk of Council

APPROVED: \_\_\_\_\_, 2016.

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Jim Graham, Council President