

WHITEHALL CITY COUNCIL
AGENDA MEETING MINUTES

President Potter called the February 16, 2021 agenda meeting to order at 6:30 p.m. All members were present with the exception of Mr. Rodriguez and Ms. Heck.

President Potter reviewed the agenda and confirmed who would handle the various required motions this evening.

The meeting adjourned at 6:35 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Julie A. Ogg, Clerk of Council

APPROVED: _____, 2021.

Thomas M. Potter, Council President

WHITEHALL CITY COUNCIL MEETING

MINUTES – February 16, 2021

President Potter called the regular meeting of Whitehall City Council to order at 7:00 p.m. on Tuesday, February 16, 2021.

At President Potter's request, everyone rose for a moment of silence. Those assembled then recited the Pledge of Allegiance.

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

Bob Bailey
Lori Elmore (joined remotely)
Karen Conison
Wes Kantor
Larry Morrison

Mr. Bailey moved to excuse the absent members and Mr. Kantor seconded the motion. There was no discussion. On a roll call vote, all members responded in the affirmative and Chairperson Rodriguez and Chairperson Heck were excused.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

Ms. Conison moved to approve the February 02, 2021, agenda and regular meeting. Mr. Kantor seconded the motion. There was no discussion. On a roll call vote, all members responded in the affirmative and the minutes were approved as submitted.

POLL PUBLIC:

No comments at this time.

STANDING COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Administration and Financial Management – Chairperson Bailey reported that the committee met last Tuesday and their minutes are on file. They will meet again next week, sometime after 6:30 p.m.

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

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

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

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

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

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

OFFICIALS' REPORTS

Mayor Kim Maggard – joined remotely. She asked for favorable consideration on Ordinance 010-2021 regarding a supplemental appropriation to the street department maintenance and repair fund. They need a new sign machine as theirs has broken and they need it quickly. She asked for favorable consideration on Resolution 005-2021, which allows Police Officers to do community policing to ensure safety in the parks.

City Attorney Michael Bivens – was not present.

City Auditor Dan Miller – was not present.

Director of Public Service and Development Zach Woodruff – was not present.

Public Safety Director Van Gregg – was not present.

Treasurer Steve Quincel – was not present.

President Potter – advised that the following Officials' Reports have been filed in the Council Office since the last meeting: The Auditor's Expense Report for January 2021, the Auditor's Bank Report for January 2021, the Auditor's Statement of Cash Position Report for January 2021, the Auditor's Revenue Report for January 2021, the Treasurers Investment Report for January 2021, the Treasurers Activity by Fund Report for January 202, the Treasurers Fund Reconciliation Report for January 2021, the Mayors Report to Council for January 2021 and the City Attorneys Resident Report for January 2021.

COMMUNICATIONS, PETITIONS AND CLAIMS:

There were no Communications, Petitions and Claims filed in the City Council Office since our last meeting.

VERIFICATION OF COPIES:

President Potter 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. On a roll call vote, all members responded in the affirmative.

THIRD READING:

THERE WAS NO LEGISLATION FOR THIRD READING.

SECOND READING:

THERE WAS NO LEGISLATION FOR SECOND READING.

FIRST READING:

ORDINANCE NO. 006-2021 *was read by title only by President Potter:*

APPROVING AND MAKING AN APPROPRIATION IN THE AMOUNT OF TWO HUNDRED FIFTY-THREE THOUSAND ONE HUNDRED SEVENTY-FOUR AND 90/100 DOLLARS (\$253,174.90) FROM THE COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT TRUST FUND (550) TO VARIOUS EXPENSE ACCOUNTS IN THE COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT TRUST FUND AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

Mr. Bailey introduced and moved to suspend the rules on Ordinance No. 006-2021 and Mr. Morrison seconded the motion. There was no discussion. On a roll call vote, all members voted in the affirmative and Ordinance No. 006-2021 was suspended.

Mr. Bailey moved to adopt Ordinance No. 006-2021 and Mr. Morrison seconded the motion. There was no discussion. On a roll call vote, all members voted in the affirmative and Ordinance No. 006-2021 was adopted.

ORDINANCE NO. 007-2021 *was read by title only by President Potter:*

AUTHORIZING AND APPROVING A FUND TRANSFER IN THE AMOUNT OF ONE HUNDRED EIGHTY THOUSAND AND NO/DOLLARS (\$180,000.00) FROM UNAPPROPRIATED MONIES IN THE GENERAL FUND 101 TO THE ACCRUED BENEFIT RESERVE FUND 505; AUTHORIZING AND APPROVING A SUPPLEMENTAL APPROPRIATION IN THE AMOUNT OF ONE HUNDRED EIGHTY THOUSAND AND NO/DOLLARS (\$180,000.00) FROM THE ACCRUED BENEFIT RESERVE FUND 505 TO THE ACCRUED BENEFIT RESERVE EXPENSE ACCOUNT 505.000.51000 AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

Mr. Bailey introduced and moved to suspend the rules on Ordinance No. 007-2021 and Ms. Conison seconded the motion. There was no discussion. On a roll call vote, all members voted in the affirmative and Ordinance No. 007-2021 was suspended.

Mr. Bailey moved to adopt Ordinance No. 007-2021 and Ms. Conison seconded the motion. There was no discussion. On a roll call vote, all members voted in the affirmative and Ordinance No. 007-2021 was adopted.

ORDINANCE NO. 008-2021 was read by title only by President Potter:

APPROVING AND MAKING AN APPROPRIATION OF THREE HUNDRED ELEVEN THOUSAND SIX HUNDRED EIGHTY-THREE AND 72/100 DOLLARS (\$311,683.72) FROM UNAPPROPRIATED MONIES IN THE MUNICIPAL FIBER PROJECT FUND (320) TO THE MUNICIPAL FIBER PROJECT EXPENSE ACCOUNT (320.000.50000) AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

Mr. Bailey introduced and moved to suspend the rules on Ordinance No. 008-2021 and Mr. Morrison seconded the motion. There was no discussion. On a roll call vote, all members voted in the affirmative and Ordinance No. 008-2021 was suspended.

Mr. Bailey moved to adopt Ordinance No. 008-2021 and Mr. Morrison seconded the motion. There was no discussion. On a roll call vote, all members voted in the affirmative and Ordinance No. 008-2021 was adopted.

ORDINANCE NO. 009-2021 was read by title only by President Potter:

APPROVING AND MAKING A SUPPLEMENTAL APPROPRIATION OF EIGHTEEN THOUSAND FIVE HUNDRED AND NO/100 DOLLARS (\$18,500.00) FROM UNAPPROPRIATED MONIES IN THE WMPITIE FUND (279) TO THE MAIN YEARLING INCENTIVE ACCOUNT (279-000-50001); MAKING A FUND TRANSFER IN THE AMOUNT OF EIGHTEEN THOUSAND FIVE HUNDRED AND NO/100 (\$18,500.00) FROM THE MAIN YEARLING INCENTIVE ACCOUNT (279-000-50001) TO THE CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT/PROJECT FUND (311); MAKING AN APPROPRIATION OF EIGHTEEN THOUSAND FIVE HUNDRED AND NO/100 DOLLARS (\$18,500.00) FROM THE CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT/PROJECT FUND (311) TO THE CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT EXPENSE ACCOUNT (311-000-54000) AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

Mr. Morrison introduced and moved to suspend the rules on Ordinance No. 009-2021 and Ms. Conison seconded the motion. There was no discussion. On a roll call vote, Bailey, yes; Elmore, yes; Conison, yes; Kantor, no; Morrison, yes and Ordinance No. 009-2021 rules were not suspended.

President Potter said with only four votes the rules on Ordinance 009-2021 were not suspended and the legislation is to be on the March 2, 2021 agenda for a second reading.

ORDINANCE NO. 010-2021 was read by title only by President Potter:

AUTHORIZING AND APPROVING A SUPPLEMENTAL APPROPRIATION IN THE AMOUNT OF FIFTY THOUSAND AND NO/DOLLARS (\$50,000.00) FROM UNAPPROPRIATED MONIES IN THE 201 STREET MAINTENANCE AND REPAIR FUND TO THE 201.000.53000 NEW EQUIPMENT EXPENSE ACCOUNT AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

Mr. Kantor introduced and moved to suspend the rules on Ordinance No. 010-2021 and Mr. Morrison seconded the motion. There was no discussion. On a roll call vote, all members voted in the affirmative and Ordinance No. 010-2021 was suspended.

Mr. Kantor moved to adopt Ordinance No. 010-2021 and Mr. Morrison seconded the motion. There was no discussion. On a roll call vote, all members voted in the affirmative and Ordinance No. 010-2021 was adopted.

RESOLUTION NO. 004-2021 was read by title only by President Potter:

RESOLVING TO APPROVE “THEN AND NOW” CERTIFICATES AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

Mr. Bailey introduced and moved to suspend the rules on Resolution No. 004-2021 and Ms. Elmore seconded the motion. There was no discussion. On a roll call vote, all members voted in the affirmative and Resolution No. 004-2021 was suspended.

Mr. Bailey moved to adopt Resolution No. 004-2021 and Ms. Elmore seconded the motion. There was no discussion. On a roll call vote, all members voted in the affirmative and Resolution No. 004-2021 was adopted.

RESOLUTION NO. 005-2021 was read by title only by President Potter:

AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO APPLY FOR AND ACCEPT THE FEDERAL JUSTICE ASSISTANCE GRANT AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

Ms. Conison introduced and moved to suspend the rules on Resolution No. 005-2021 and Mr. Kantor seconded the motion. There was no discussion. On a roll call vote, all members voted in the affirmative and Resolution No. 005-2021 was suspended.

Ms. Conison moved to adopt Resolution No. 005-2021 and Mr. Kantor seconded the motion. There was no discussion. On a roll call vote, all members voted in the affirmative and Resolution No. 005-2021 was adopted.

POLL PUBLIC:

No comments at this time.

COMMUNITY DATE BOARD:

Chairperson Conison said W.C.C.A. has a call into the Easter Bunny and she does not know what will happen yet but she will have details in the near future.

Chairperson Elmore said February was Heart Health Month. There are ways you can prevent heart disease. Wear red to show your support, help someone to stop smoking and exercise at least once a week. Vaccine administration and location information can be found on the website. Reimagine Transit: East-West Corridor Public meeting is being held online. Check the City of Whitehall’s website for more information. Speak Up/Speak Out, a series on social justice featuring community leaders discussing a book or film from a collection, kicking off the documentary, I am Not Your Negro on Wednesday, February 24. Learn more at <https://www.columbuslibrary.org/speak-up-speak-out>. The State of the City Address is being held on March 15 at 6:30 p.m., you will need to register and it will be a virtual event this year. Are you a local farmer or artisan? Parks and Recreation is looking for Ohio growers and makers to kick off the inaugural year of our new farmers market: Market on the Green! This dynamic market will feature live music, adult beverage vendors and more! Get details and submit your vendor application online here: <https://whitehall-oh.us/582/Market-on-the-Green>. Applications for the Food Truck & Market Place vendors can be found on the website as well. The date for this year’s Food Truck & Fun Fest is July 31, 2021.

POLL COUNCIL:

Bob Bailey had no comments.

Ms. Elmore said February is Black History Month and she wanted to recognize the E. B. Ward business. It was known back then as the Ward Transfer Line. It is the oldest, continuously operating African-American business in the United States. William S. Ward founded the business in 1881. In 2021, the United States elected the first black American of Asian descent Vice President Kamala Harris

Ms. Conison thanked everyone for watching and said to get your vaccines when they are available for you.

Mr. Kantor thanked everyone for watching and he wanted everyone to stay safe.

Mr. Morrison thanked everyone for watching and for everyone to stay safe, especially with all the bad weather we have been having.

At this time, there were comments exchanged between President Potter and Chairperson Morrison.

President Potter had no comments.

Having nothing further, Mr. Bailey moved to adjourn and Mr. Kantor seconded the motion. On a roll call vote, all members responded in the affirmative and the meeting adjourned at 7:22 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Julie A. Ogg, Clerk of Council

APPROVED: _____, 2021.

Thomas M. Potter, Council President