

WHITEHALL CITY COUNCIL
AGENDA MEETING MINUTES

October 15, 2019

President Graham called the October 15, 2019 agenda meeting to order at 6:31 p.m. All members were present.

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

The meeting adjourned at 6:34 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Julie A. Ogg, Clerk of Council

APPROVED: _____, 2019.

Jim Graham, Council President

WHITEHALL CITY COUNCIL MEETING

MINUTES – October 15, 2019

President Graham called the regular meeting of Whitehall City Council to order at 7:00 p.m. on Tuesday, October 15, 2019.

At President Graham'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:

Karen Conison
Wes Kantor
Jo Anna Heck
Larry Morrison
Bob Bailey
Chris Rodriguez
Lori Elmore

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

Ms. Conison moved to approve the Minutes of the October 01, 2019, 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 have no pending legislation and they will meet next week, sometime after 6:30 p.m.

Community Standards and Enforcement – Chairperson Rodriguez 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 Heck reported that they met last Tuesday and their minutes are on file. They have no pending legislation and 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 – she had no official report. She thanked everyone for attending.

City Attorney Michael Bivens – he thanked the audience for their attendance. The Legal Rams will be kicking off this Thursday. They will be getting ready for the January competition. He thanked council as well as the greater Whitehall community for their support for the community giveaway. He recognized Council members Bailey and Kantor along with Auditor Miller for wearing their purple in support of the fight against domestic violence.

City Auditor Dan Miller – he had no official report. He asked for favorable consideration on Ordinances 119-2019 and Resolution 049-2019.

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

Public Safety Director Van Gregg – was not present

Treasurer Steve Quincel – he had no official report.

President Graham – advised that the following Officials' Reports have been filed in the Council Office since the last meeting: the Auditor's Expense Report for September 2019, the Auditor's Bank Report for September 2019, the Auditor's Statement of Cash Position Report for September 2019, the Auditor's Revenue Report for September 2019, the Treasurer's Investment Report for September 2019, the Treasurer's Activity by Fund Report for September 2019, and the Treasurer's Fund Reconciliation Report for September 2019.

COMMUNICATIONS, PETITIONS AND CLAIMS:

There were no items listed under Communications, Petitions and Claims.

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

THIRD READING:

There were no items listed under Third Reading.

SECOND READING:

There were no items listed under Second Reading.

FIRST READING:

ORDINANCE NO. 117-2019 *was read by title only by President Graham:*

PROVIDING FOR THE ISSUANCE AND SALE OF NOTES IN THE MAXIMUM PRINCIPAL AMOUNT OF NINE MILLION SIX HUNDRED TWENTY THOUSAND AND NO/100 DOLLARS (\$9,620,000.00) IN ANTICIPATION OF THE ISSUANCE OF BONDS, FOR THE PURPOSE OF PAYING THE COSTS OF THE ACQUISITION BY THE CITY OF A PORTION OF AN APPROXIMATELY 37-ACRE PARCEL IN THE NORTHEAST CORNER OF HAMILTON ROAD AND EAST BROAD STREET, ALL IN SUPPORT OF ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT AND JOB CREATION WITHIN THE CITY THAT WILL RESULT IN THE ELIMINATION OF BLIGHT AND NUISANCE ON AND AROUND THE ACQUIRED PROPERTY; AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

Mr. Rodriguez introduced and moved to suspend the rules on Ordinance No. 117-2019 and Ms. Elmore seconded the motion. There was no discussion. On a roll call vote, all members voted in the affirmative and Ordinance No. 117-2019 was suspended.

Mr. Rodriguez then moved to adopt Ordinance No. 117-2019 and Ms. Elmore seconded the motion. There was no discussion. On a roll call vote, all members voted in the affirmative and Ordinance No. 117-2019 was adopted.

ORDINANCE NO. 118-2019 *was read by title only by President Graham:*

PROVIDING FOR THE ISSUANCE AND SALE OF NOTES IN THE MAXIMUM PRINCIPAL AMOUNT OF ONE MILLION SEVEN HUNDRED FIFTY THOUSAND AND NO/100 DOLLARS (\$1,750,000.00) IN ANTICIPATION OF THE ISSUANCE OF BONDS, FOR THE PURPOSE OF PROVIDING FUNDS TO PAY THE COSTS OF A COURT-APPROVED FINAL SETTLEMENT OF CLAIMS MADE BY THE CITY IN THE CASE OF THE CITY OF WHITEHALL OHIO ET AL VS OLANDER, THOMAS J ET AL, CASE NO. 2007 EVH 060217 IN FRANKLIN COUNTY MUNICIPAL COURT; AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

Mr. Rodriguez introduced and moved to suspend the rules on Ordinance No. 118-2019 and Ms. Elmore seconded the motion. There was no discussion. On a roll call vote, all members voted in the affirmative and Ordinance No. 118-2019 was suspended.

Mr. Rodriguez then moved to adopt Ordinance No. 118-2019 and Ms. Elmore seconded the motion. There was no discussion. On a roll call vote, all members voted in the affirmative and Ordinance No. 118-2019 was adopted.

ORDINANCE NO. 119-2019 *was read by title only by President Graham:*

APPROVING AND MAKING A SUPPLEMENTAL APPROPRIATION OF TEN THOUSAND AND NO/100 DOLLARS (\$10,000.00) FROM UNAPPROPRIATED MONIES IN THE PLUMBING PERMITS FUND (851) TO THE PLUMBING PERMITS ACCOUNT (851-000-50000) AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

Mr. Bailey introduced and moved to suspend the rules on Ordinance No. 119-2019 and Mr. Morrison seconded the motion. There was no discussion. On a roll call vote, all members voted in the affirmative and Ordinance No. 119-2019 was suspended.

Mr. Bailey then moved to adopt Ordinance No. 119-2019 and Mr. Morrison seconded the motion. There was no discussion. On a roll call vote, all members voted in the affirmative and Ordinance No. 119-2019 was adopted.

RESOLUTION NO. 049-2019 *was read by title only by President Graham:*

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

Mr. Bailey introduced and moved to suspend the rules on Resolution No. 049-2019 and Mr. Rodriguez seconded the motion. There was no discussion. On a roll call vote, all members voted in the affirmative and Resolution No. 049-2019 was suspended.

Mr. Bailey then moved to adopt Resolution No. 049-2019 and Mr. Rodriguez seconded the motion. There was no discussion. On a roll call vote, all members voted in the affirmative and Resolution No. 049-2019 was adopted.

RESOLUTION NO. 050-2019 *was read by title only by President Graham:*

AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO ENTER INTO A PURCHASE AGREEMENT AND ACCEPT TITLE TO PARCEL NUMBER 090-005414-00, FROM EMPOWERING COLUMBUS LLC. LOCATED WITHIN THE CITY OF WHITEHALL AND PAY ALL FEES ASSOCIATED WITH THE TRANSFER OF PROPERTY.

POLL PUBLIC:

No comments at this time.

COMMUNITY DATE BOARD:

Chairperson Conison said that Saturday, October 26, 2019 WCCA is hosting the Halloween Walk at Etna Road Elementary at 1:00 p.m. The Halloween house-decorating contest will be judged during the week following Halloween.

Chairperson Kantor said October 31, 2019 is trick or treating in the city from 6:00 to 8:00 p.m. and Safer Whitehall Town Meeting will be held on October 30, 2019 6:00 – 7:30 p.m. at Victory Ministries Center of Hope, 3964 E. Main Street, Whitehall, OH.

POLL COUNCIL:

Ms. Conison thanked everyone for coming and viewing tonight. She will see everyone at the Halloween Walk.

Mr. Kantor thanked everyone for coming tonight and watching and he will see everyone at the Halloween Walk.

Ms. Heck thanked everyone for the coming tonight and those watching on Facebook and she will see everyone at the Halloween Walk.

Mr. Morrison thanked everyone for watching and coming and hopes everyone has a good week.

Mr. Bailey said he appreciates those in attendance and it is good to see them.

Mr. Rodriguez reminded everyone that tomorrow is a regular trash day as Columbus Day was not a holiday recognized by Local Waste and he thanked everyone who came out tonight.

Ms. Elmore thanked everyone for viewing and was happy to see some new faces in the audience. Norton Project is moving along well. She congratulated Officer Mark Hopper on his retirement from the Whitehall Police Department. She wanted to mention that one of Whitehall's greatest, Steve Canneto will be debuting Intersected Lives Project Opening Reception Thursday, October 29, 2019 6:00 – 9:00 p.m. at the Kings Art Complex Elijah Pierce Gallery.

President Graham thanked everyone for coming out this evening and said there was no further business.

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 7:16 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Julie A. Ogg, Clerk of Council

APPROVED: _____, 2019.

Jim Graham, Council President