

**City of Waterville**  
**Minutes of Regular Council Meeting of:**  
**April 27, 2015**

*Tour of the Bowling Green Water Treatment Plant – 5:30 p.m.*

*Members of Council, along with Mr. Bagdonas, attended a tour of the Bowling Green Water Treatment Plant. After the conclusion of the tour, they returned to Council Chambers for the regular scheduled meeting of the Waterville Council.*

The regular meeting of the Waterville Council was called to order by Mayor Lori Brodie at 7:30 p.m. in the Council Chambers of the Waterville Municipal Building.

A prayer was offered by Mr. Pedro. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Present at roll call were Mr. Rozic, Mr. Valtin, Mrs. Krise, Mayor Brodie, Mrs. Bruno, Mr. Larkins and Mr. Pedro.

Also present were Jim Bagdonas, Administrator; Phil Dombey, Law Director; Steve Schult, Treasurer; and Melissa Cook, Recording Secretary.

**Staff Present:**

Dale Knepper – Director of Finance and Administration, Clerk of Council

**Citizens Present:**

Please see Citizens' Sign-In Sheet, Exhibit A, Page 1 for a list of people present.

**Approval of Minutes:**

Mr. Pedro moved to approve the minutes of the April 13, 2015 Regular Council meeting. Mr. Larkins seconded the motion, which passed by unanimous voice vote.

**Citizen's Comments:**

A. Presentation by Tree Commission – Tree Inventory

Diane Durbin, member of the Waterville Tree Commission, stated that she, along with other members of the commission, wanted to take this time to give Council a brief presentation of the ArcGIS program that they have been working on for the past five years. She then stated that the city's tree inventory has been completed and that trees belonging to the city were tallied, with a record of location, characteristics and condition of the trees. Hazard tree removals and prunings have been earmarked, and soils and sites were indexed to aid with future tree choice. She added that tree species were also noted to prepare and manage insect and disease epidemics. The ArcGIS, software used to create and share interactive maps and data, is being utilized by municipalities everywhere. With this we can prioritize tree maintenance, streamline work efficiency and facilitate long and short-term budgeting. Mrs. Durbin then stated that they were very fortunate to have Dan Wyandt, Penta Career Center's GIS instructor, and his students, Colin and AJ, enter our tree data and teach us the ArcGIS basics. They have taken time from their schedules to be with us tonight to highlight what an ArcGIS program does. Mr. Wyandt then gave a brief two minute overview of the ArcGIS program, demonstrated Waterville's tree database and entertained questions from Council.

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Council members thanked the Tree Commission and Mr. Wyandt, Colin and AJ from Penta Career Center for all of their hard work.

**Staff Reports:**

Administration: Mr. Bagdonas –

- Stated that he didn't have anything to add to his report that wasn't agenda specific.

Law Director: Mr. Dombey – No report.

Finance Director: Mr. Knepper –

- Reviewed details of the First Quarter FY2015 Budget & Financial Report highlighting Fund Balances, Investments and Income Tax Revenues. The First Quarter Budget was outlined in a detailed cover memo included in Council's packet.

Treasurer: Mr. Schult –

- Reviewed details of the Treasurer's Report for the Month of March 2015.

**Communications from Council Members/Committees:**

Mr. Pedro –

- Reminded Council that the next meeting of the Waterville Economic Development Committee will be held at Fallen Timbers on Thursday, May 14<sup>th</sup> from 11:30 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.

Mr. Larkins – No report.

Mrs. Bruno – No report.

Mrs. Krise – No report.

Mr. Valtin – No report.

Mr. Rozic – No report.

**OLD BUSINESS:**

- A. **ORDINANCE 07-15** - AN ORDINANCE LEVYING ASSESSMENTS PURSUANT TO THE OHIO REVISED CODE, SECTIONS 729.01 THROUGH 729.10 FOR THE 2014 SIDEWALK REPAIR AND CONSTRUCTION PROGRAM

*Second Reading*

This Ordinance is the final step in the 2014 Sidewalk Repair and Construction Program and will approve the assessments to the property owners as previously listed in the

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Resolution of Necessity.

**B. DISCUSSION OF GARAGE SALE SIGNS:**

The subject of garage sales signs in the public right-of-way was briefly discussed at the April 13 Council meeting. A Memo and attachments providing additional information on this matter was included in the Council packet.

A lengthy discussion on garage sales signs continued with Council concluding in agreement with the quote that “If it ain’t broke, don’t fix it”.

**NEW BUSINESS:**

- A. **ORDINANCE 09-15** - AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE MUNICIPAL ZONING MAP OF THE CITY OF WATERVILLE TO CHANGE THE ZONING CLASSIFICATION OF A CERTAIN PARCEL OF LAND KNOWN AS KENSINGTON GARDEN FROM R-1 RESIDENCE DISTRICT TO R-3 RESIDENCE DISTRICT

*First Reading*

Council previously referred this rezoning request to the Planning Commission for a recommendation. The next Planning Commission meeting is scheduled for May 4<sup>th</sup>. A first reading of this Ordinance has been scheduled for this meeting. The Public Hearing and third reading would occur at the June 1 Council meeting after Council receives the Planning Commission’s recommendation.

- B. **ORDINANCE 10-15** - AN ORDINANCE PURSUANT TO CHARTER SECTION 5.02 ADOPTING PERSONNEL RULES; AMENDING SECTION 3.01-3.a.(5) OF THE WATERVILLE PERSONNEL POLICY AND PROCEDURE MANUAL REGARDING REQUIREMENTS FOR EMPLOYMENT/RESIDENCY AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY

A new position of Deputy Fire Chief has been created and the position of Assistant Fire Chief has been eliminated. This Ordinance would reflect this change by substituting Deputy Fire Chief for Assistant Fire Chief in the list of employees subject to a residency requirement.

Mayor Brodie made a motion to suspend the rules to allow for the passage of Ordinance 10-15 as an emergency measure. Mr. Larkins seconded the motion.

Roll Call: Mr. Pedro – yes, Mrs. Krise – yes, Mr. Valtin – yes, Mayor Brodie – yes, Mr. Larkins – yes, Mrs. Bruno – yes, Mr. Rozic - yes. The motion passed unanimously.

Mayor Brodie made a motion to move for the passage of Ordinance 10-15 as an emergency measure. Mr. Valtin seconded the motion.

Roll Call: Mr. Valtin – yes, Mayor Brodie – yes, Mr. Larkins – yes, Mrs. Krise – yes,

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Mr. Pedro – yes, Mrs. Bruno – yes, Mr. Rozic – yes. The motion passed unanimously.

**C. ORDINANCE 11-15 - AN ORDINANCE PURSUANT TO CHARTER SECTION 5.02 ADOPTING PERSONNEL RULES; ENACTING SECTION 5.06-3. OF THE WATERVILLE PERSONNEL POLICY AND PROCEDURE MANUAL REGARDING LONGEVITY PAY AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY**

In the recently concluded negotiations with the City’s three collective bargaining units, a “sunset” provision was added to each of the longevity pay sections whereby only those employees hired by the City prior to January 1, 2015 will be eligible for such payments. This Ordinance would make the City’s Personnel Policy and Procedure Manual consistent with the collective bargaining agreements.

Mayor Brodie made a motion to suspend the rules to allow for the passage of Ordinance 11-15 as an emergency measure. Mrs. Bruno seconded the motion.

Roll Call: Mayor Brodie – yes, Mr. Valtin – yes, Mr. Larkins – yes, Mrs. Krise – yes, Mr. Pedro – yes, Mrs. Bruno – yes, Mr. Rozic - yes. The motion passed unanimously.

Mayor Brodie made a motion to move for the passage of Ordinance 11-15 as an emergency measure. Mr. Rozic seconded the motion.

Roll Call: Mr. Rozic – yes, Mrs. Bruno – yes, Mr. Pedro – yes, Mr. Larkins – yes, Mr. Valtin – yes, Mayor Brodie – yes, Mrs. Krise - yes. The motion passed unanimously.

**D. RESOLUTION 21-15 - A RESOLUTION DECLARING IT NECESSARY TO LEVY A TAX OUTSIDE THE 10 MILL LIMITATION FOR THE GENERAL CONSTRUCTION, RECONSTRUCTION, RESURFACING, REPAIR AND APPURTENANT WORK TO STREETS, ROADS AND ALLEYS IN THE CITY OF WATERVILLE, AND FOR CONSTRUCTING, REHABILITATING AND MAINTAINING SIDEWALKS, WALKWAYS, TRAILS, SHARED USE PATHS OR SIMILAR IMPROVEMENTS OR ACQUIRING OWNERSHIP INTEREST IN LAND NECESSARY FOR THE FOREGOING IMPROVEMENTS, AND REQUESTING THE COUNTY AUDITOR TO CERTIFY THE TOTAL CURRENT TAX VALUATION OF THE CITY OF WATERVILLE AND THE ANNUAL REVENUE GENERATED BY A 1.90 MILL PROPERTY TAX LEVY**

This Resolution was prepared in accordance with Council’s direction to staff at the April 13 Council meeting. After receiving the certification of the annual revenue to be generated by the 1.90 mill levy from the County Auditor, another Resolution would need to be passed to place the levy on the November ballot. That Resolution will require an affirmative vote by two-thirds of the members of Council (5 votes).

A discussion was held regarding the property tax levy of 1.9 mills and the amount of

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revenue that it would generate. Council also discussed the language in the Resolution referring to the permissive uses of the levy proceeds such as street repair and maintenance of sidewalks, shared use paths, walkways, etc. They also discussed the next related Resolution which will provide the ballot language for the property tax levy.

Mr. Pedro stated that if this goes forward he would still like the city, as we prepare the budget, to use some of the same dollars that we are spending today out of the General Fund to go toward street repair and replacement.

Mrs. Bruno read a statement that she prepared declaring that at this time she is not in favor of a property tax levy.

Mr. Larkins moved to adopt Resolution 21-15. Mr. Valtin seconded the motion which passed with Mr. Rozic, Mayor Brodie, Mrs. Krise, Mr. Larkins, Mr. Pedro and Mr. Valtin voting “yea” and Mrs. Bruno voting “nay”.

**Other Information/Unscheduled Business:** None

**Executive Session:**

Mayor Brodie made a motion to move into Executive Session to consider the compensation of a public employee at 8:40 p.m. Mr. Rozic seconded the motion.

Roll Call: Mr. Larkins – yes, Mr. Valtin – yes, Mayor Brodie – yes, Mrs. Krise – yes, Mr. Pedro – yes, Mrs. Bruno – yes, Mr. Rozic - yes. The motion passed unanimously.

**Return to Regular Session:**

Mr. Valtin made a motion to come out of Executive Session and resume the regular Council meeting at 9:21 p.m. Mrs. Krise seconded the motion which carried by unanimous voice vote.

**Adjournment:**

There being no further business to come before Council, Mr. Rozic made a motion to close the meeting at 9:21 p.m. Mrs. Bruno seconded the motion, which carried by unanimous voice vote.

*Dale D Knepper*  
Clerk of Council

*Lori Brodie*  
Mayor