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

The prayer was offered by Mayor Pedro. The Pledge of Allegiance was then recited and led by Boy Scout Troop 101.

Present at roll call were Todd Borowski, John Rozic, Anthony Bruno, Mayor Tim Pedro, Mary Duncan, Barb Bruno and Rod Frey.

Also present this evening was Jon Gochenour, Municipal Administrator; Kati Tharp, Assistant Law Director; Steve Schult, Treasurer and Melissa Cook, Recording Secretary.

Staff Present:

Mark Williams – Director of Finance and Administration

Citizens Present:

Karen Gerhardinger, Mirror Newspaper

Laura Koprowski, CEO of TARTA

Neil Greenburg, Director of Transit Service Development – TARTA

Kelsey Hoagland, TARTA Board of Trustees President – Representing Waterville

Approval of Minutes

Mr. Borowski moved to approve the minutes of the April 25, 2022 Regular Council meeting. Mrs. Duncan seconded the motion, which passed by a voice vote. Mr. Bruno abstained.

Presentation

A. TARTA Update to the Community – Laura Koprowski, CEO

Laura Koprowski and Neil Greenburg from TARTA came to this evening's meeting to give an update to Council regarding the development of new TARTA programs and changes that have been made since the replacement of its current 2.5 mill property tax levies with a 0.5% sales tax. After their presentation, they answered questions from Council members.

Citizens Comments

None

Staff Reports

Administrator: Jon Gochenour –

- Reported that he worked with the City Engineer on the completion of the Waterville-Monclova Road Speed Study. He stated that the study shows that it is warranted to lower the speed limit on Waterville-Monclova Rd. from 45 mph to 35 mph on the portion of the roadway in the City of Waterville. Lowering the speed limit on the remaining 0.25 mile section in Waterville Township will require the review of the Lucas County Engineer. Lowering the speed limit will require final legislative approval by Council.
- Along with the Mayor, he met with ODOT District Two Director Pat McColley and other representatives from ODOT regarding an agreement for the maintenance of the roundabout near the Waterville Bridge on St. Rt. 64. This proposed agreement could also be used for the two roundabouts on Dutch Road that are maintained by the Lucas County Engineer.

Assistant Law Director: Kati Tharp – No report.

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Finance Director: Mark Williams – No Report

Treasurer: Steve Schult – No Report

Communications from Council Members/Committees

A. Appointment to Various Commissions, Boards and Committees

A list of appointments proposed by the Mayor for Council’s consideration and approval was included in the Council packet.

Mr. Bruno moved to approve the appointment of Frederick Greive and John Morse for two-year terms, expiring 12/31/23, to the Public Safety Committee. Mrs. Bruno seconded the motion, which passed by unanimous voice vote.

Mr. Borowski – No report.

Mr. Rozic – No report.

Mr. Bruno –

- Mentioned that the Parks and Recreation Committee would like to start the planting of flowers and plants at Waterworks Park. Mr. Gochenour suggested that they get a plant list together and get with Mr. Blair to get this ordered and purchased.
- Stated that he has been contacted by residents of the Bridgehampton Woods Subdivision who requested that a speed limit sign be placed closer to the entrance of the subdivision. He will address this with Chief Valvano.

Mrs. Duncan – No report.

Mrs. Bruno – No report.

Mr. Frey – No report.

Mayor Pedro –

- Reported that at their meeting with ODOT, ODOT stated that there are some grant programs to perform safety studies for various roadways in the City that we feel might need some attention. This will be presented to the Safety Committee at an upcoming meeting.

OLD BUSINESS:

- A. ORDINANCE 04-22 AN ORDINANCE AMENDING PART THREE OF THE CODIFIED ORDINANCES OF THE CITY OF WATERVILLE, SCHEDULE V OF THE TRAFFIC SCHEDULES: RESTRICTED OR PROHIBITED PARKING BY ADDING NO PARKING AREAS TO A PORTION OF THE ANTHONY WAYNE TRAIL NEAR OVERLOOK DRIVE

Third Reading and Legislative Action

The enclosed Ordinance would establish a new no parking area along the east side of the Anthony Wayne Trail starting 295 feet north of the intersection of Overlook Drive and extending north approximately 1,538 feet to 311 Anthony Wayne Trail. The new no parking zone has been recommended by the Police Chief and the Public Works Director to eliminate safety concerns regarding parking along the Anthony Wayne Trail during special events held at the nearby Buffalo Rock Brewery. Parking along this roadway with a posted 45 mph speed limit is potentially dangerous especially

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during evening hours where visibility is reduced. The creation of the no parking area was recommended by the Public Safety Committee at their April 7, 2022 public meeting. Maps indicating the location of the proposed new no parking area were included in Council's meeting packets.

Mr. Frey moved to adopt Ordinance 04-22. Mr. Rozic seconded the motion.

Roll Call: Mr. Borowski – yes, Mr. Frey – yes, Mr. Bruno – yes, Mrs. Duncan – yes, Mayor Pedro – yes, Mrs. Bruno – yes, Mr. Rozic – yes. The motion passed unanimously.

NEW BUSINESS:

A. REFERRAL TO PLANNING COMMISSION - REZONING OF A 12.527 ACRE PORTION OF PARCEL 96-56053 LOCATED IN THE 1400 BLOCK OF PRAY BOULEVARD FROM (C-3) HIGHWAY COMMERCIAL TO (R-4) MULTI-FAMILY RESIDENCE DISTRICT

An application has been received from Cash Waggner and Associates, agent, to rezone a 12.527 acre portion of parcel 96-56053 in the 1400 block of Pray Boulevard from (C-3) Highway Commercial to (R-4) Multi-Family Residence District. The next Planning Commission meeting is scheduled for June 6, 2022.

Mr. Rozic made a motion to refer this rezoning request to the Planning Commission for their review and recommendation. Mrs. Duncan seconded the motion, which passed by unanimous voice vote.

B. ORDINANCE 05-22 AN ORDINANCE AMENDING ORDINANCE 05-22, THE AMENDED FY 2022 ANNUAL APPROPRIATIONS ORDINANCE AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY

This Ordinance would authorize the second amendment to the 2022 Appropriations. Significant items included in this amendment are: increased grant revenue (\$133,000) and expense (\$133,000) for the Anthony Wayne Intersection Improvement Project; expense (\$76,400) for the Waterworks Park Sewer installation and the design of the entrance wall for Parker Square Phase 2 and other routine items.

Mayor Pedro made a motion to suspend the rules to allow for the passage of Ordinance 05-22 as an emergency measure. Mr. Frey seconded the motion.

Roll Call: Mr. Bruno – yes, Mr. Frey – yes, Mayor Pedro – yes, Mrs. Duncan – yes, Mr. Borowski – yes, Mrs. Bruno – yes, Mr. Rozic – yes. The motion passed unanimously.

Mrs. Duncan made a motion to move for the passage of Ordinance 05-22 as an emergency measure. Mrs. Bruno seconded the motion.

Roll Call: Mr. Rozic – yes, Mrs. Bruno – yes, Mr. Borowski – yes, Mrs. Duncan – yes, Mayor Pedro – yes, Mr. Frey – yes, Mr. Bruno - yes. The motion passed unanimously

C. RESOLUTION 15-22 A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE MUNICIPAL ADMINISTRATOR TO ENTER INTO AN AGREEMENT WITH PROUDFOOT ASSOCIATES INC. FOR ENGINEERING SERVICES TO PREPARE PLANS, SPECIFICATIONS AND BID DOCUMENTS FOR THE 2023 CANAL ROAD WATERLINE REPLACEMENT PROJECT

This Resolution authorizes an agreement with Proudfoot Associates, Inc. for engineering services to prepare plans, specifications and bid documents for the 2023

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Canal Road Waterline Replacement Project. The City was awarded a \$235,029 zero percent interest load to replace 2,650 feet of 6 inch waterline with a 8 inch waterline on Canal Road between Elm Street and the Anthony Wayne Trail. The project will also replace 9 fire hydrants and provide 20 new residential service connections. The cost of this proposed work is \$43,200 and was approved in the 2022 Five Year Capital Budget utilizing funds received from the American Rescue Plan Act.

Mr. Rozic moved to adopt Resolution 15-22. Mayor Pedro seconded the motion, which passed by unanimous voice vote.

D. RESOLUTION 16-22 A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE MUNICIPAL ADMINISTRATOR TO AWARD A CONTRACT TO PYROTECNICO FOR PROFESSIONAL SERVICES RELATING TO A DISPLAY OF FIREWORKS ON JULY 2, 2022 FOR THE CITY OF WATERVILLE

Pyrotecnico of New Castle, Pennsylvania submitted the only bid to provide a fireworks display on July 2 at a cost of \$19,500. Pyrotecnico, has been selected by the City among multiple bidders in the past to conduct the City's fireworks displays. The City staff has found Pyrotecnico fireworks personnel to be professional and easy to work in the past. Based on this prior experience, a contract with Pyrotecnico is recommended. The July 2 date was the only date available for this year's fireworks display.

Mr. Gochenour stated that he received an e-mail from Pyrotecnico today stating that they might have to change the date of the fireworks display. Council agreed to table this Resolution until their next meeting on May 23.

Other Business

Mayor Pedro encouraged Council and residents to attend the Memorial Day Service at Wakeman Cemetery at 11:00 a.m. on Monday, May 30. He then proposed that the summer Council meetings be held on the fourth Monday of June, July and August (June 27, July 25, August 22). It was the consensus of Council to hold the summer meetings on the dates proposed by the Mayor.

Adjournment

There being no further business to come before Council, Mr. Frey made a motion to close the meeting at 8:50 p.m. Mr. Rozic seconded the motion, which carried by unanimous voice vote.

Jon D. Gochenour, Clerk of Council

Timothy G. Pedro, Mayor