

## Regular Council

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The regular meeting of the Waterville Council was called to order by Mayor Tim 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 Jim Bagdonas.

Present at roll call were Mary Duncan, Mr. Borowski, Anthony Garver, Tim Pedro, Wayne Wagner, John Rozic and Anthony Bruno.

Also present this evening was Jon Gochenour, Municipal Administrator; Phil Dombey, Law Director; Steve Schult, Treasurer and Jeni Malaczewski, Recording Secretary.

### Staff Present:

Mark Williams – Finance Director

Doug Meyer – Fire Chief

Ken Blair – Public Works Director

### Presentations

A. Mayor Pedro-Oath of Office: Waterville Fire Department

Mayor Pedro administered the "Oath of Office" to the new full-time members of the Waterville Fire Department: Leigh Snyder; Clinton Weckesser; Kevin Hughes and Kiah Macy.

### Citizens Present:

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

### Approval of Minutes

Mr. Wagner moved to approve the minutes of the June 10, 2024 Regular Council meeting. Mrs. Duncan seconded the motion, which passed by a voice vote with Mr. Borowski abstaining.

### Citizens Comments

Terri Massucci, 1101 Waterville-Monclova Rd, stated that the second round of the community event "Play Ball" sponsored by BluSky Restoration has been put on hold for now due to the heat destroying the balls. Ms. Massucci instead introduced a new community scavenger hunt "AW Generals Hide & Seek." Partnered with Anthony Wayne Schools, this event will span across the Anthony Wayne School District area and includes hidden 3d printed General figurines.

### Staff Reports

Administrator: Jon Gochenour

- Stated the fireworks will be July 6th. Waterville Cub Scout Troup 101 will host activities at Waterville Primary prior to the show. Rain delay date will be July 7th
- Met with the contractors for Parker Square. River Road at Farnsworth will be closed for 10 days beginning July 8<sup>th</sup>.

Law Director: Phil Dombey

- Updated the appeal filed by Plowman. The courts will hear oral arguments July 24<sup>th</sup>.

Finance Director: Mark Williams

- Reviewed details of the May 2024 Financial Report highlighting fund balances, investments and income tax revenues.

Treasurer: Steve Schult

- Reviewed the Treasurer's Report for the month of May 2024.

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Police Chief: Joe Valvano - Absent

Fire Chief: Doug Meyer

- Stated that Rock the Block went well with no incidents.
- Stated that fireworks are banned in the City of Waterville and urged residents not to set them off due to the dry summer.

Public Works Director: Ken Blair

- Asked for patience as public works makes their way through the city to pick up storm damage.
- A new part-time employee was hired.
- Stated the pump station improvements should be completed soon.
- Attended the first Fishing Derby meeting.

### Communications from Council Members/Committees

Mrs. Duncan

- Stated that Rite Aid would be closing the pharmacy on July 9<sup>th</sup>, the store will remain open until the remaining inventory is all sold.
- Discussed the Maumee Senior Center “Grab and Go Meals” program’s success.

Mr. Borowski

- Updated the round a bouts are completed. Thanked all the volunteers that helped with them.

Mr. Garver

- Thanked Michelle Smith for her hard work on the Rock the Block event.
- Discussed the possibility of a DORA district in downtown Waterville.
- Asked about the city’s plan for the recently passed State of Ohio Cannabis bill and Waterville’s standing ban on medical marijuana.

Mr. Wagner

- No Report

Mr. Rozic

- Stated that the boxes and giant chess pieces have been removed from the Conrad Park concrete chess board due to recent vandalization.
- Stated he spoke with Wendy Grey and she is on board again this year to organize the Waterville Christmas event.

Mrs. Duncan made a motion to approve up to \$8000 for the 2024 Waterville Christmas event. Mr. Garver seconded the motion, which passed by a unanimous voice vote.

Mr. Bruno

- No Report

Mayor Pedro

- Discussed plans to attend the NOMMA meeting in August to more information on the new state marijuana law.
- Stated that the ad hoc committee for inclusive playground equipment is making momentum.
- Thanked the Waterville Area Chamber of Commerce for a great “Rock the Block” event

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NEW BUSINESS:

- A. RESOLUTION 23-24 A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE MUNICIPAL ADMINISTRATOR TO ENTER INTO AN AGREEMENT WITH PALMER ENGERGY COMPANY, INC. FOR ELECTRIC AGGREGATION SERVICES FOR THE CITY OF WATERVILLE AS A MEMBER OF THE NORTHWEST OHIO AGGREGATION COALITION

The City of Waterville has been certified and authorized by the Public Utilities Commission of Ohio (PUCO) to serve as a local governmental aggregator of electricity for residential and small commercial customers in the City. In 2001, Waterville joined the Northwest Ohio Aggregation Coalition (NOAC) to jointly aggregate for electricity with 12 other communities which has collectively saved an estimated 124 million in electricity costs for its members. Palmer Energy Company of Toledo, Ohio has served as an energy consultant for NOAC by reviewing proposals from power generators, evaluating them and recommending suppliers that offer the most cost savings to NOAC member communities. The enclosed resolution authorizes a renewal of the agreement with Palmer Energy to serve as an electric aggregation consultant for NOAC and the City of Waterville for the next 10 years. In business since 1994, Palmer Energy has considerable market and technical experience in the energy consulting field in Ohio and has provided expert testimony on behalf of NOAC member communities before the Ohio Legislature and Public Utilities Commission of Ohio.

Mrs. Duncan moved to adopt Resolution 23-24, Mr. Wagner seconded the motion, which passed by a unanimous voice vote.

Other Business

None

Adjournment

There being no further business to come before Council, Mrs. Duncan made a motion to close the meeting at 8:47 p.m. Mr. Borowski seconded the motion, which carried by a unanimous voice vote.

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Jon D. Gochenour, Clerk of Council

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Timothy G Pedro, Mayor