

## 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 citizen Gary Thompson.

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

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

### Citizens Present:

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

### Approval of Minutes

Mrs. Duncan moved to approve the minutes of the September 23, 2024 Regular Council meeting. Mr. Rozic seconded the motion, which passed by a unanimous voice vote.

Mr. Wagner moved to approve the minutes of the October 3, 2024 Special Council meeting. Mr. Garver seconded the motion, which passed with Mr. Rozic and Mr. Borowski abstaining.

### Citizens Comments

Wendy Gray, 730 Village Pkwy, updated council on this year's Christmas to Remember, which will be held December 8. This year there will be a tree decorating contest. The contest will have prizes for 1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> places with matching donations to a charity of the winner's choice. All Forms for the tree decorating contest have been submitted. Mrs. Gray also stated that volunteers are still needed for the event.

Scott Jahns, 1207 Applegate Street, discussed the possibility of the ice-skating rink going up at Parker Square this year.

### Staff Reports

Administrator: Jon Gochenour

- The Farnsworth Rd Waterline and Resurfacing Project is wrapping up. Mr. Gochenour said paving work could be completed this month if the weather stays good.
- Stated that the "Run de Bouef 5k" reschedule date will be November 9<sup>th</sup> starting at 8:30 a.m.

Law Director: Kati Tharp

- No Report

Treasurer: Steve Schult

- No Report

### Communications from Council Members/Committees

Mrs. Duncan

- No Report

Mr. Borowski

- No Report

Mr. Garver

- No Report

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Mr. Wagner

- No Report

Mr. Rozic

- Stated that the Fire Coop Committee met November 7<sup>th</sup>. The Coop is working with Four County Career Center for training in January.

Mr. Bruno

- Acknowledged Mr. Wagner, Mayor Pedro and Steve Schult for their participation with Honor Flight.

Mayor Pedro

- Stated that he and Mr. Wagner participated in Honor Flight.
- December 4<sup>th</sup> the Inclusive Park Committee will meet.
- Thank you to all the Veterans.

### OLD BUSINESS:

- A. ORDINANCE 08-24 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 SOUTH RIVER ROAD NEAR THE ANTHONY WAYNE TRAIL

#### Third Reading and Legislative Action

The Ordinance would establish a new no parking area along the north and south sides of South River Road between the Anthony Wayne Trail and the old Roche de Boeuf Interurban Bridge. The no parking area would extend from the Anthony Wayne Trail Intersection on the north side of the road to the bridge and from the Farnsworth Metropark property line on the south side of the road to the bridge. The new no parking area was requested by the property owners of 570 S. River Road who own the majority of the private property in this area on both sides of the street. This area has also been the site of several unfortunate accidents involving hikers who have fallen down the steep embankment into the Maumee River requiring rescue by the Fire Department. This appears to be the only undeveloped, privately owned portion of S. River Road fronting on the Maumee River which still permits parking. Moreover, the curve of the road and the old bridge abutments on both sides of the street tend to block the visibility of parked cars to oncoming traffic. Consequently, it is the recommendation of the Public Works Director, Police and Fire Chiefs to eliminate these safety concerns by establishing a new no parking area along this section of S. River Road. The property owners of 570 S. River Road, William and Penny Kidd, who attended a prior Council meeting and offered comments to Council in support of the proposed no parking area.

Mr. Rozic made a motion to move for the passage of Ordinance 06-24. Mr. Borowski seconded the motion.

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

- A. ORDINANCE 09-24 AN ORDINANCE REVISING WATERVILLE CODIFIED ORDINANCES PART ELEVEN – PLANNING AND ZONING CODE CHAPTER 1145 REGULATIONS APPLYING TO ALL DISTRICTS TO PROHIBIT THE CULTIVATION, PROCESSING, SALE, DISTRIBUTION OR RETAIL DISPENSING OF MARIJUANA FOR THE PURPOSE OF NON-MEDICAL USE IN ALL ZONING DISTRICTS OF THE

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Second Reading

This Ordinance revises Chapter 1145 of the Planning and Zoning Code to prohibit the cultivation, processing, sale, distribution or retail dispensing of marijuana for the purpose of non-medical use in all zoning districts in the City of Waterville. The passage of this ordinance would maintain consistency with an existing ordinance prohibiting the cultivation, processing and retail dispensing of medical marijuana in the City which was passed in 2016. At its September 10, 2024 public meeting, the Planning Commission recommended adoption of the proposed text amendment to the zoning code by a vote of 4-0 with one member absent.

NEW BUSINESS:

Executive Session

Mrs. Duncan made a motion to move into Executive Session for Consideration of a Matter per ORC 121.22(G)(2): Purchase or Sale of Property for Public Purposes at 8:03 p.m. Mr. Garver seconded the motion.

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

Return to Regular Session

Mr. Wagner made a motion to come out of Executive Session and resume the regular Council meeting at 9:45 p.m. Mr. Garver seconded the motion which carried by unanimous voice vote.

Other Business

None

Adjournment

There being no further business to come before Council, Mr. Borowski made a motion to close the meeting at 9:46 p.m. Mr. Wagner seconded the motion, which passed by a unanimous voice vote.

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Jon D. Gochenour, Clerk of Council

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Timothy G Pedro, Mayor