

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 Dr. Jamie Hollinger.

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.

Staff Present:

Doug Meyer – Fire Chief

Rob Binkley – Public Works Director

Presentations

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

Mayor Pedro administered the "Oath of Office" to Brian Cox who was recently hired as a Firefighter/Paramedic with the Waterville Fire Department.

B. Kevin Herman - Interim Superintendent, Anthony Wayne School District

Kevin Herman, Interim Superintendent of the Anthony Wayne School District, and Waterville Primary Principal, Jamie Hollinger, provided an update on the Anthony Wayne School District.

Citizens Present:

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

Approval of Minutes

Mr. Borowski moved to approve the minutes of the October 14, 2024 Regular Council meeting. Mr. Wagner seconded the motion, which passed by a unanimous voice vote.

Citizens Comments - None

Staff Reports

Administrator: Jon Gochenour

- Stated the Anthony Wayne Trail between Farnsworth Road and Mechanic Street will be closed for 7 days starting Oct 30th.
- Stated a second letter will be sent out to residents in regards to the water line service at their property. This letter is a requirement from the Ohio EPA.

Law Director: Kati Tharp

- No Report

Finance Director:

- Mr. Gochenour gave the report: Reviewed details of the September 2024 RITA income tax revenues.

Treasurer: Steve Schult

- No Report

Police Chief: Joe Valvano - Absent

- Mr. Gochenour added there were two people cited for hunting within the city limits.

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- Stated there was 17 lbs of prescription and over the counter medications collected at the October 26th “Drug Take Back Day”
- Stated officers confiscated 10grams of meth during a traffic stop.

Fire Chief: Doug Meyer:

- Stated the Chamber’s “Boo to Do” event went well.
- Stated the fire co-op and Providence Township are working together with Four County Career Center for EMS and Paramedic training.
- Discussed the termination of the “PulsePoint” app.

Public Works Director: Rob Binkley

- Stated the new street sweeper has been out around the city and looking good.
- Leaf collection began on October 14 and is going well.

Communications from Council Members/Committees

Mrs. Duncan

- Discussed the Anthony Wayne Area Arts Commission will be having an “Arts Festival” in the old “Gap” store at The Shops at Fallen Timbers November 1st 11-7 and November 2nd 11-4. Proceeds will go to Bittersweet Farms for their creative arts program.

Mr. Borowski

- Stated that deer are currently very active, keep an eye out.

Mr. Garver

- No Report

Mr. Wagner

- No Report

Mr. Rozic

- No Report

Mr. Bruno

- No Report

Mayor Pedro

- Stated the Chamber’s “Boo to Do,” Waterville’s “Trick or Treat” went well.
- Mentioned that due to the Veteran’s Day Holiday, the regularly scheduled November 11 Council Meeting will be held on Wednesday, November 13 at 7:30 p.m.

OLD BUSINESS:

- 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 CITY OF WATERVILLE

Third Reading, Public Hearing and Legislative Action

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

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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.

Mayor Pedro opened the Public Hearing at 8:37p.m.

Scott Jahns, 1207 Applegate St., discussed his support of this ordinance. Mr. Jahns stated that he didn't feel this was the right time for the City of Waterville to move forward, the uncertainty outweighs the financial benefits at this time.

Rob Allen, 425 Anthony Wayne Trail, Apt #103, discussed his displeasure with Mr. Garver's previous statement in opposition to this ordinance.

Mr. Wagner made a motion to move for the passage of Ordinance 09-24. Mrs. Duncan seconded the motion.

Roll Call: Mr. Wagner – yes, Mr. Garver – no, Mr. Borowski – yes, Mr. Rozic – yes, Mr. Bruno – yes, Mrs. Duncan – yes and Mayor Pedro – yes. The motion passed 6-1.

NEW BUSINESS:

- A. RESOLUTION 37-24 A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE SALE OF RADIO EQUIPMENT NO LONGER NEEDED FOR MUNICIPAL USE TO WASHINGTON TOWNSHIP, LUCAS COUNTY, OHIO

This resolution would authorize the sale of six (6) 2014 Motorola Model APX 6000 portable radios no longer needed for use by the Fire Department to the Washington Township Fire Department. Washington Township would like to purchase these radios for \$6,000, The estimated value of each radio is \$1,000.

Mr. Bruno moved to adopt Resolution 37-24. Mr. Rozic seconded the motion, which passed by unanimous voice vote.

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 and ORC 121.22(G)(3): Imminent Court Action at 8:50 p.m. Mr. Wagner 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. made a motion to come out of Executive Session and resume the regular Council meeting at p.m. Mr. seconded the motion which carried by unanimous voice vote.

Other Business

None

Adjournment

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

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Jon D. Gochenour, Clerk of Council

Timothy G Pedro, Mayor