



City of Hudson, Ohio

Meeting Minutes - Final

City Council

David A. Basil, Mayor

William D. Wooldredge, President of Council (At-Large)

Beth A. Bigham, Council Member (Ward 4)

Hamilton DeSaussure, Jr., Council Member (At-Large)

Dennis N. Hanink, Council Member (Ward 1)

Alex D. Kelemen, Council Member (Ward 3)

Casey M. Weinstein, Council Member (Ward 2)

J. Daniel Williams, Council Member (At-Large)

Jane Howington, City Manager

R. Todd Hunt, City Solicitor

Elizabeth A. Slagle, Clerk of Council

Tuesday, April 3, 2018

6:30 PM

Town Hall

Workshop and Meeting

Workshop:

1. Call to Order

Mayor Basil called to order the workshop of Hudson City Council at 6:30 p.m., in accordance with the Sunshine Laws of the State of Ohio, O.R.C. Section 121.22, and he handed the workshop over to President of Council Wooldredge, in accordance with Council Rules.

Present: 6 - Mrs. Bigham, Mr. DeSaussure, Mr. Hanink, Mr. Weinstein, Dr. Williams and Mr. Wooldredge

Absent: 1 - Mr. Kelemen

Mr. Weinstein entered the workshop at 6:35 p.m.

Staff in Attendance: Ms. Howington, City Manager; Mrs. Slagle, Clerk of Council; Mr. Comeriato, Assistant City Manager - Operations; Mr. Hannan, Community Development Director; Mr. Leiter, Production Assistant; Mrs. McMaster, City Planner; Ms. Roberts, Communications Manager; and Mr. Sheridan, Assistant City Manager - Professional Services.

2. Discussion Item

A. [18-0030](#)

City of Hudson Parking Study

Executive Summary: The City of Hudson Administration would like to review and discuss the Downtown Phase 2 Parking Study with City Council.

Attachments: [Parking Study](#)
[Presentation](#)

Mr. John Dorsett, Senior Vice President, and Mr. David Garza, Analyst, of Walker Consultants presented a review of the draft Downtown Hudson Parking Study (see attached study & presentation). They discussed research findings for parking needs relating to the Downtown Phase II Development and recommended a total of 1,200 new spaces for this proposed mixed-use development, including a 400-space garage, with shared parking for all non-residential uses and two reserved spaces per residence.

They also reviewed current parking conditions for the North Main Street and First & Main areas, and they stated that their findings show an adequate number of parking spaces exists, but there are problem hot spots. Their recommendations included: expand parking opportunities through shared-parking arrangements with privately-owned lot owners; enforce time limits for short-term parking spaces; promote use of available long-term parking spaces; and improve signage.

Discussion followed. Council also considered the possibility of parking fees, which were not recommended by the consultant at this time. Mr. Sheridan noted that the draft study is available on the City's website, and he encouraged comments from elected officials and the public. He also suggested the City establish a Parking Advisory Committee.

3. Adjournment

There being no further discussion, Mr. Wooldredge adjourned the Council workshop meeting at 7:21 p.m.

Regular Meeting:

4. Call to Order

Mayor Basil called to order the meeting of Hudson City Council at 7:32 p.m., in accordance with the Sunshine Laws of the State of Ohio, O.R.C. Section 121.22.

5. Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag

6. Roll Call

Present: 6 - Mrs. Biggam, Mr. DeSaussure, Mr. Hanink, Mr. Weinstein, Dr. Williams and Mr. Wooldredge

Absent: 1 - Mr. Kelemen

Staff in Attendance: Ms. Howington, City Manager; Mr. Hunt, City Solicitor; Mrs. Slagle, Clerk of Council; Mr. Comeriato, Assistant City Manager - Operations; Mr. Fowler, Public Works Assistant Superintendent; Mr. Hannan, Community Development Director; Mr. Hutchinson, Assistant Public Works Director; Mr. Knoblauch, Assistant City Manager - Financial/Special Projects; Mr. Leiter, Production Assistant; Mr. McAleese, Police Lieutenant; Mr. Robbins, Police Chief; Ms. Roberts, Communications Manager; and Mr. Sheridan, Assistant City Manager - Professional Services.

7. Approval of the Minutes

- A. [18-0031](#) **Minutes of Previous Council Meetings.**
Executive Summary: Draft minutes of previous meetings are provided for City Council's review and approval.
Attachments: [March 20, 2018 Council Meeting Minutes - DRAFT](#)

There being no changes, the above minutes were approved as submitted.

8. Honorary Resolutions

- A. [18-46](#) **A RESOLUTION HONORING OFFICER DAVID BORZI FOR TWENTY YEARS OF SERVICE WITH THE CITY OF HUDSON.**
Executive Summary: This Resolution recognizes Officer David Borzi for more than twenty years of service with the Auxiliary Unit of the Police Department.
Attachments: [Resolution No. 18-46](#)

Mayor Basil read Resolution No. 18-46 in its entirety, recognizing and thanking Officer Borzi for his service with the City. Chief Robbins accepted the Resolution on Officer Borzi's behalf, as he was not in attendance.

A motion was made by Mr. Wooldredge, seconded by Mr. Hanink, to pass Resolution No. 18-46. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: 6 - Mrs. Bigham, Mr. DeSaussure, Mr. Hanink, Mr. Weinstein, Dr. Williams and Mr. Wooldredge

- B. [18-47](#) **A RESOLUTION THANKING CHIEF DAVID ROBBINS FOR HIS SERVICE TO THE HUDSON COMMUNITY.**
Executive Summary: This Resolution provides recognition and thanks to David Robbins, Chief of Police, upon his retirement for his dedicated service as a City of Hudson employee.
Attachments: [Resolution No. 18-47](#)

Mayor Basil read Resolution No. 18-47 in its entirety, recognizing and thanking Chief Robbins for his service to the Hudson community upon his retirement. Council members Wooldredge, Hanink and Williams expressed appreciation, noting that Hudson is one of the safest cities in the state, attributable to the police force and Chief Robbins' leadership. Chief Robbins said that it has been an honor and privilege to have served the Hudson community. He thanked elected officials for the opportunity to serve and expressed appreciation to the community, the department, and his wife for their support.

A motion was made by Mr. Wooldredge, seconded by Mr. DeSaussure, to pass Resolution No. 18-47. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: 6 - Mr. DeSaussure, Mr. Hanink, Mr. Weinstein, Dr. Williams, Mr. Wooldredge and Mrs. Bigham

9. Proclamations

A. [18-0032](#) Special Recognition of Autism Awareness Month

Executive Summary: This Proclamation recognizes the month of April 2018 as Autism Awareness Month in Hudson and encourages citizens to make Hudson an Autism-friendly community. City of Stow Mayor Sara Kline will accept this Proclamation on behalf of the Autism Society of Greater Akron.

Attachments: [Hyperlink - Autism Speaks](#)
[Hyperlink - Autism Society Greater Akron](#)
[Proclamation](#)

Mayor Kline (City of Stow) accepted the Proclamation on behalf of the Autism Society of Greater Akron. She expressed appreciation for the Proclamation, and she spoke as an advocate for individuals who live with autism and other developmental disabilities. She said the Autism Society of Greater Akron strives for full inclusion and equality for individuals who live with autism and recognition of their needs and dignity. She thanked the Hudson community for standing up for autism.

Mayor Basil read this Proclamation in its entirety, recognizing the month of April as Autism Awareness Month in Hudson.

B. [18-0033](#) Special Recognition of "Lemonade Day" Month

Executive Summary: Lemonade Day is a national initiative to educate youth on how to start, own and operate their own business, using a lemonade stand to teach fundamental lessons about life, success, and giving back to community. This Proclamation promotes community involvement to support the local Lemonade Day program during the month of May, 2018.

Attachments: [Proclamation](#)

Mayor Basil encouraged Hudson residents to support the Lemonade Day Program during May 2018. Student representatives from East Woods Elementary, Seton Catholic, and Hudson Montessori Schools spoke about the benefits of the program, including the valuable learning experience and ability to help non-profit organizations. Deborah Hoover, President & CEO of the Burton D. Morgan Foundation, thanked the City for its support and expressed pride for the efforts of everyone involved in making the Lemonade Day Program a success. Linda McDonald, Board Member of the Hudson Community Foundation, accepted the Proclamation on behalf of the foundation. Mayor Basil encouraged participants to have fun and learn, and he thanked all for contributing.

Mayor Basil read this Proclamation in its entirety, declaring the month of May as "Lemonade Day" Month, and he presented copies of the Proclamation to representatives from the participating schools, as well as the Burton D. Morgan Foundation and the Hudson Community Foundation.

10. Public Comments

Dr. Boex thanked Council for placing Issue 8, a "no new taxes" initiative, on the May 8th election ballot. He spoke on behalf of Citizens for Hudson Fire and EMS. He said that passage of the 2003 levy established a fixed distribution of income tax funding between Fire and EMS that no longer suits current departmental needs. He said that passage of Issue 8 will allow a more flexible allocation of the income tax revenue between Fire and EMS, based on the two services' annual needs, and he asked voters to support Issue 8 for a more efficient use of existing tax dollars.

Mr. Ron Strobl, 24 Owen Brown Street, commented regarding the Downtown Traffic Study, questioning why the 2017 study did not include the same intersections as the 2015 study. He also questioned the designation of Owen Brown Street as a major entry into the new development. He noted and questioned some of the statistics in the study, and he looked forward to discussing the study with City staff. He encouraged Council to save the historic area and to not proceed with the proposed development plans, which he felt would result in traffic problems.

Mr. Marcel Ulrich, 7307 Herrick Park Drive, spoke to Council regarding storm water problems on his property. He said that the City's policy is for property owners to maintain drainage areas, but he is unable to maintain the problem drainage area. He asked Council to consider funding the maintenance of the drainage area on his property (correspondence attached to record copy of these minutes).

11. Correspondence and Council Comments

Mr. DeSaussure expressed support for Mr. Ulrich's request and encouraged Council consideration at a future workshop. Mr. Hanink and Mr. Wooldredge agreed. Mayor Basil reserved comments for future discussion, but he cautioned regarding potential unintended consequences.

Mr. Wooldredge said that Council Liaisons have been appointed for the City's various boards, commissions, and committees. As a means to facilitate communications, he suggested that attending staff members provide a brief summary review of meetings to members of the meeting body, as well as elected officials, within a few days after the meetings.

12. Report of Manager

Referring to information recently provided to elected officials regarding the Solar Project, Ms. Howington asked for permission for staff to move forward with issuing the Request for Proposals. Discussion followed regarding the inclusion of alternative sites, in addition to the Hines Hill Road property, and the wetland delineation study. There was consensus among Council members for staff to move forward with the RFP, including alternate sites.

Ms. Howington recognized Joe Selden, a volunteer EMT with Hudson EMS since 2009, who also served in the U.S. Navy as a medical administrator. She acknowledged his willingness to give back to the community in his service as an EMS volunteer.

13. Appointments

None.

14. Suspension of the Rules for the Consent Agenda

A motion was made by Dr. Williams, seconded by Mr. DeSaussure, to suspend the rule requiring three readings to allow for passage of legislation on the Consent Agenda. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: 6 - Mr. Hanink, Mr. Weinstein, Dr. Williams, Mr. Wooldredge, Mrs. Bigham and Mr. DeSaussure

Approval of the Consent Agenda

A motion was made by Mr. Wooldredge, seconded by Mr. Hanink, to approve the Consent Agenda. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: 6 - Mr. Weinstein, Dr. Williams, Mr. Wooldredge, Mrs. Bigham, Mr. DeSaussure and Mr. Hanink

- A. [18-48](#) **A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER TO ENTER INTO AN ADDENDUM TO A PROFESSIONAL SERVICES CONTRACT WITH TMS ENGINEERS, INC. FOR ADDITIONAL CONSULTING WORK REQUIRED TO COMPLETE THE CHANGES TO THE TRAFFIC STUDY RELATING TO THE DOWNTOWN PHASE II PROJECT; AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.**
- Executive Summary:** This Resolution would authorize an increase of \$8,000 to the original \$48,208.00 contract with TMS Engineers, Inc.
- Attachments:** [Resolution No. 18-48](#)

Resolution No. 18-48 was approved on the Consent Agenda.

- B. [18-49](#) **A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER TO ENTER INTO A CONTRACT WITH CARDINAL ASPHALT INC. FOR THE CONSTRUCTION AND/OR PAVING OF VARIOUS TRAILS, PATHS, ROADWAYS AND DRIVEWAYS ON PUBLIC PROPERTIES.**
- Executive Summary:** As part of the approved 2018 budget, City staff has advertised for competitive bids for various paving and path construction projects within the Parks, Cemeteries and Water Department. Staff now seeks to award the contract for this work.
- Attachments:** [Projects Budget Sheets](#)
- [Bid Tab - Construction and/or Paving of various Trails, Paths, Roads and Drives](#)
- [Resolution No. 18-49](#)

Resolution No. 18-49 was approved on the Consent Agenda.

- C. [18-50](#) **A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER TO EXECUTE A CHANGE ORDER WITH REILLY SWEEPING, INC. FOR ADDITIONAL STREET SWEEPING SERVICES.**
- Executive Summary:** Staff received City Council authorization to purchase a replacement street sweeper in 2018. After review and discussion with the Finance Department, staff wishes to implement a pilot street sweeper program that will result in a decrease in overall expenses.

Attachments: [Res. No. 17-200, Authorizing misc purchases, contracts and svcs, passed 12/27/17](#)
[Res. No. 18-5, 2018 Vehicle Purchase Authorization, passed 1-23-18](#)
[Sweeper Analysis JK 012318](#)
[Resolution No. 18-50](#)

Resolution No. 18-50 was approved on the Consent Agenda.

- E. [18-52](#) **A RESOLUTION ACCEPTING THE FINDINGS AND RECOMMENDATIONS OF THE FACT-FINDER IN CASE NO. 2017-MED-03-0447 (OHIO PATROLMEN'S BENEVOLENT ASSOCIATION - POLICE PATROL OFFICERS); AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.**
Executive Summary: This Resolution provides for City Council's acceptance of the findings and recommendations pertaining to the referenced OPBA - Patrol Officers case.

Attachments: [Resolution No. 18-52](#)

Resolution No. 18-52 was approved on the Consent Agenda.

Items Removed from the Consent Agenda

- D. [18-51](#) **A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER TO ENTER INTO A LEASE-PURCHASE AGREEMENT WITH TCF EQUIPMENT FINANCE TO FINANCE THE PURCHASE OF TWO LEAF VACUUM TRAILERS FOR USE BY THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS; TO AUTHORIZE THE PURCHASE OF THE TWO LEAF VACUUM TRAILERS FROM CONCORD ROAD EQUIPMENT MFG.; AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.**
Executive Summary: This Resolution will provide authorization for the City Manager to enter into a new 5-year agreement with TCF Equipment Finance for leasing of two (2) new leaf vacuum trailers for the Service Division. This Resolution will also provide authorization for the City Manager to purchase the two (2) leaf vacuum trailers through Ohio State Term Schedule Contract Pricing (STS 800507-515) with Concord Road Equipment.

Attachments: [17-200 Res Authorizing misc purchases contracts and svcs](#)
[Hudson Leaf Vacs 3-21-18](#)
[Resolution No. 18-51](#)

Mr. Hanink requested that Resolution No. 18-51 be removed from the Consent Agenda.

A motion was made by Mr. Hanink, seconded by Mr. Wooldredge, to suspend the rule requiring three readings to allow for passage of Resolution No. 18-51. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: 6 - Dr. Williams, Mr. Wooldredge, Mrs. Bigham, Mr. DeSaussure, Mr. Hanink and Mr. Weinstein

Mr. Hanink questioned the terms of the lease/purchase agreement. Mr. Hutchinson explained that the

agreement will authorize the City to lease two leaf vacuums for five years, including an option to purchase them at the end of the lease period.

**A motion was made by Mr. Hanink, seconded by Dr. Williams, to pass Resolution No. 18-51.
The motion carried by the following vote:**

Aye: 6 - Mr. Wooldredge, Mrs. Bigham, Mr. DeSaussure, Mr. Hanink, Mr. Weinstein and Dr. Williams

15. Legislation

- A. [18-29](#) A RESOLUTION APPROVING THE APPLICATION FOR PLACEMENT OF LAND IN A CURRENT AGRICULTURAL USE DISTRICT FOR PURPOSES OF O.R.C. 929.02 FOR KENNETH AND JOYCE KURLA, 1975 EAST NORTON ROAD, HUDSON, OHIO.**
- Executive Summary:** Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Kurla have submitted the attached renewal Application for Placement of Farmland in an Agricultural District for approximately 37 acres of property located at 1975 and 1983 East Norton Road and 1936 Georgetown Road in Hudson.
- Attachments:** [Agricultural District Renewal Application - Kurla 2018](#)
[Code Enforcement Inspection Report \(1975 Norton Rd Kurla\) 2-21-18](#)
[Map](#)
[Resolution No. 18-29](#)

Mayor Basil read the title of Resolution No. 18-29, which constituted its third reading.

A motion was made by Dr. Williams, seconded by Mr. Wooldredge, to pass Resolution No. 18-29. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: 6 - Mrs. Bigham, Mr. DeSaussure, Mr. Hanink, Mr. Weinstein, Dr. Williams and Mr. Wooldredge

16. Executive Session

A motion was made by Mr. Wooldredge, seconded by Dr. Williams, to enter into executive session to consider the purchase and sale of real estate for public purposes and a personnel matter concerning the employment of a public official. Mayor Basil recessed the regular meeting at 8:46 p.m. after the motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: 6 - Mr. DeSaussure, Mr. Hanink, Mr. Weinstein, Dr. Williams, Mr. Wooldredge and Mrs. Bigham

Mayor Basil reconvened the regular meeting at 9:15 p.m.

17. Adjournment

There being no further business, Mayor Basil adjourned the Council meeting at 9:15 p.m.

David A. Basil, Mayor

Elizabeth Slagle, Clerk of Council

Upon approval by City Council, this official written summary of the meeting minutes shall become a permanent record, and the official minutes shall also consist of a permanent audio and video recording, excluding executive sessions, in accordance with Codified Ordinances, Section 220.03(d), Rules.