



City of Hudson, Ohio

Meeting Minutes - Final

City Council

David A. Basil, Mayor

Hamilton DeSaussure, Jr., President of Council (At-Large)

Beth A. Bigham, Council Member (Ward 4)

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)

William D. Wooldredge, Council Member (At-Large)

Jane Howington, City Manager

R. Todd Hunt, City Solicitor

Elizabeth A. Slagle, Clerk of Council

Tuesday, August 2, 2016

7:30 PM

Town Hall

1. Call to Order

Mayor Basil called to order the meeting of Hudson City Council at 7:31 p.m., in accordance with the Sunshine Laws of the State of Ohio, O.R.C. Section 121.22.

2. Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag

3. Roll Call

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

Absent: 1 - Mr. Weinstein

Mayor Basil commented regarding County Executive Russ Pry's passing, saying that he was a good leader for Summit County; he helped to find ways to collaborate, took a personal interest in Hudson and helped in many ways, including with the purchase of the Youth Development Center property. Mayor Basil said that Hudson has lost a friend, and he extended deepest condolences to Mr. Pry's family on behalf of City Council and the citizens of Hudson.

Staff in Attendance: Ms. Howington, City Manager; Mr. Hunt, City Solicitor; Mrs. Slagle, Clerk of Council; Mr. Comeriato, Assistant City Manager for Operations; Mr. Hannan, City Planner; Mr. Knoblauch, Finance Director; Mr. Leiter, Production Assistant; Mr. Sheridan, City Engineer; and Mr. Stifler, Economic Development Director.

4. Approval of the Minutes

A. [16-0078](#)

MINUTES OF PREVIOUS COUNCIL MEETINGS.

Executive Summary: Draft minutes of previous meetings are provided for City Council's review and approval.

Attachments: [July 19, 2016 Council Meeting Minutes - DRAFT](#)
 [July 26, 2016 Workshop Minutes - DRAFT](#)

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

5. Honorary Resolution

A. [16-126](#) **A RESOLUTION THANKING MR. JAMES ANTES FOR HIS SERVICE TO THE COMMUNITY.**

Executive Summary: This Resolution provides recognition and thanks to Jim Antes for his dedicated service as a member of the Park Board.

Attachments: [Resolution No. 16-126](#)

Mayor Basil read Resolution No. 16-126 in its entirety and thanked Mr. Antes for his service, commenting that he had an impact and participated in many parks projects. Mayor Basil also noted Mr. Antes' past service as a member of the Hudson Board of Education. Mr. Antes accepted the Resolution, thanked elected officials and said that serving on the Park Board had been a great learning opportunity.

A motion was made by Mr. DeSaussure, seconded by Dr. Williams, to pass Resolution No. 16-126. The motion carried by the following vote:

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

6. Public Comments

Mr. Ralph Hickman, 5224 Topaz Drive, addressed Council regarding Ordinance No. 16-112, the proposed income tax credit reduction issue. He questioned who should be responsible for infrastructure costs, as well as the timing of the ballot issue. He urged Council to place this issue on the ballot in November 2016, rather than May 2017, and to educate voters.

7. Correspondence and Council Comments

None.

8. Report of Manager

Mrs. Howington reported that the "Pack the Pond" event is scheduled for August 8th, Walters Road will be detoured during August 8 - 15; Barlow Road is currently one-way westbound during that road widening project; the Norton Road/State Route 91 intersection improvement project is ongoing; and the North Main Street Streetscape Project is in progress with minimal impact to traveling public, as construction is proceeding during night hours. She encouraged the public to refer to the City's website for more information and other updates.

9. Appointments

None.

10. Suspension of the Rules for the Consent Agenda

A motion was made by Mr. Wooldredge, seconded by Mr. DeSaussure, to suspend the rules as provided in Section 220.03 of the Codified Ordinances to allow for passage of legislation on the Consent Agenda. The motion carried by the following vote:

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

Approval of the Consent Agenda

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

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

- A. [16-127](#) **A RESOLUTION DESIGNATING THE MANCHESTER GROUP, LLC DBA IGS ENERGY HOME SERVICES AS THE CITY’S PREFERRED RESIDENTIAL UTILITY LINE AND HOME SYSTEM PROTECTION SERVICES VENDOR AND AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER TO ENTER INTO A SERVICE CONTRACT THEREFOR.**

Executive Summary: American Municipal Power (AMP) has partnered with IGS energy to offer member communities residential utility line and home system protection services. The Public Works Department staff met with three providers of these services and has determined that IGS Energy has the most comprehensive and cost competitive programs available. Staff seeks to move forward with the program service offerings to all Hudson residents through an agreement for services and branding development. Mr. Jason Richards with IGS Energy and Ms. Tracy Reimbold with AMP will be in attendance at the workshop to answer Council questions regarding the recommended program.

Attachments: [IGS Home Protection Package Highlights](#)

[IGS Services Diagram](#)

[AMP Review](#)

[Resolution No. 16-127](#)

Mr. Wooldredge asked if the City will be receiving a sales commission, and Ms. Howington explained that, while it is not necessarily a commission, the City will receive a portion of the proceeds. Mr. Wooldredge felt it important to publicly disclose this information.

Resolution No. 16-127 was passed on the Consent Agenda.

- B. [16-128](#) **A RESOLUTION AFFIRMING THE ACCEPTANCE OF ENVIRONMENTAL ASSESSMENT SERVICES PROVIDED BY THE NORTHEAST OHIO FOUR COUNTY REGIONAL PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT ORGANIZATION (“NEFCO”) THROUGH THE SUMMIT COUNTY BROWNFIELDS PROGRAM GRANT.**

Executive Summary: The U.S. Environmental Protection Agency provides funding for surveys and assessments of potential Brownfields through the Summit County Brownfield Program managed by The Northeast Ohio Four County Regional Planning and Development Organization (NEFCO) in partnership with the

Development Finance Authority of Summit County and the Summit County Health Department. Staff sought funding for Phase II environmental work on the Windstream properties within the Phase II Downtown Development Project.

Attachments: [Resolution No. 16-128](#)

Resolution No. 16-128 was passed on the Consent Agenda.

- C. [16-129](#) **A RESOLUTION OBLIGATING THE FUNDS REQUIRED TO SATISFACTORILY COMPLETE THE VETERANS TRAIL PHASE I PROJECT AND BECOME ELIGIBLE FOR REIMBURSEMENT UNDER THE TERMS AND CONDITIONS OF THE CLEAN OHIO TRAILS FUND PROGRAM; AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.**
Executive Summary: The State of Ohio, through the Ohio Department of Natural Resources, administers financial assistance for public recreation purposes, through the Clean Ohio Trails Fund.
Attachments: [Resolution No. 16-129](#)

Resolution No. 16-129 was passed on the Consent Agenda.

- D. [16-130](#) **A RESOLUTION TO APPROVE THEN AND NOW CERTIFICATES FOR PURCHASES MADE; AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.**
Executive Summary: Council authorization is required for payment of the invoices shown on this Resolution in excess of \$3,000 for which a commitment was made before a Purchase Order was generated.
Attachments: [Resolution No. 16-130](#)

Resolution No. 16-130 was passed on the Consent Agenda.

11. Legislation

- A. [16-87](#) **AN ORDINANCE REPEALING SECTION 1206.04(b)(3), "SPECIAL EVENTS," OF THE LAND DEVELOPMENT CODE; AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.**
Executive Summary: The ordinance would repeal administration of special events in the Land Development Code as special events are now administered by recently adopted Ordinance 16-46 - Temporary Special Events.
Attachments: [Proposed Land Development Code Amendment 5-9-2016](#)
[Planning Commission Recommendation 6-13-16](#)
[Ordinance No. 16-87](#)

Mayor Basil read the title of Ordinance No. 16-87, which constituted its third reading.

A motion was made by Mr. Wooldredge, seconded by Mr. Hanink, to pass Ordinance No. 16-87. The motion carried by the following vote:

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

- B. [16-112](#) AN ORDINANCE TO SUBMIT TO THE ELECTORS OF THE CITY OF HUDSON THE QUESTION OF AMENDING THE CHARTER AT ARTICLE VI, SECTION 6.02, TO REVISE THE INCOME TAX CREDIT FOR CITY RESIDENTS WHO PAY INCOME TAX TO ANOTHER MUNICIPALITY OR JOINT ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT; AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.**

Executive Summary: This Ordinance is being introduced at Council's request.

Attachments: [Ordinance No. 16-112](#)
[Proposed Amended Version \(8-16-2016\)](#)

Mayor Basil read the title of Ordinance No. 16-112, which constituted its third reading.

Mr. Kelemen questioned if tabling Ordinance No. 16-112 would effectively remove it from placement on the November 2016 ballot and asked for clarity regarding the filing deadline. Mr. Hunt said that the filing deadline is September 9, 2016 for a Charter amendment.

A motion was made by Mr. DeSaussure, seconded by Dr. Williams, to table Ordinance No. 16-112 for further action until the Council meeting of August 16, 2016, with additional discussion scheduled for the Council workshop of August 9, 2016. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: 4 - Dr. Williams, Mr. Wooldredge, Mrs. Bigham and Mr. DeSaussure

Nay: 1 - Mr. Kelemen

Abstain: 1 - Mr. Hanink

- C. [16-113](#) A RESOLUTION TO EXPRESS SUPPORT OF THE COMPLETE STREETS INITIATIVE.**

Executive Summary: As part of Pedal Hudson's effort to apply for Bike Friendly Designation from the American League of Cyclists, Pedal Hudson has asked the City to consider adopting a Complete Street Resolution. The Resolution would demonstrate Hudson's commitment to accommodate bicyclists and pedestrians within our infrastructure projects and development regulations.

Attachments: [Complete Streets Coalition Fact Sheet](#)
[Resolution No. 16-113](#)

Mr. Hannan introduced Mr. Curtis Baker, Interim Director of Akron Metropolitan Area Transportation Study (AMATS), and they provided background and explanation. Mr. Hannan said that Council's support of the Complete Streets Initiative would establish a general intent to be supportive its principles, rather than a prescriptive policy on how to review infrastructure projects, and Hudson would be given recognition and credit for much of what it is already doing, noting the Connectivity Plan. Mr. Baker said that AMATS supports the Complete Streets Initiative, and he urged Council's support, noting that Hudson could benefit when being considered for funding. Discussion followed regarding the Complete Streets Initiative, use of its nonbinding principles, and how it would not affect the Land Development Code or future amendments thereto. While Mr. Kelemen expressed support for Peddle Hudson and Safe Routes Hudson, he expressed opposition to Resolution No. 16-113.

Mayor Basil read the title of Resolution No. 16-113, which constituted its third reading.

A motion was made by Mr. DeSaussure, seconded by Mr. Wooldredge, to pass Resolution No. 16-113. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: 4 - Mr. Wooldredge, Mrs. Bigham, Mr. DeSaussure and Dr. Williams

Nay: 2 - Mr. Hanink and Mr. Kelemen

D. [16-131](#)

AN ORDINANCE ADOPTING THE ENGINEERING STANDARDS FOR INFRASTRUCTURE CONSTRUCTION AND DIRECTING THEIR CODIFICATION INTO CHAPTER 1419, "ENGINEERING STANDARDS FOR INFRASTRUCTURE CONSTRUCTION," OF THE CODIFIED ORDINANCES.

Executive Summary: In an effort to streamline publication of the Codified Ordinances, City staff has recommended that the Engineering Standards for Infrastructure Construction be included in Chapter 1419, "Engineering Standards for Infrastructure Construction" of the Codified Ordinances. Additionally, Section 7 of the City of Hudson Engineering Standards for Infrastructure Construction was last updated in 2015, and staff would like to update this section to reflect various changes and the transfer of information from the Hudson Land Development Code to the Engineering Standards.

Attachments: [Hyperlink - Engineering Standards \(Current\)](#)

[Section 7 \(Changes Shown in Bold Text\)](#)

[Fig 7.1.1](#)

[Fig 7.1.3](#)

[Fig 7.1.4](#)

[Fig 7.1.5](#)

[Ordinance No. 16-131](#)

Mayor Basil read the title of Ordinance No. 16-131, which constituted its first reading.

E. [16-132](#)

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CODIFIED ORDINANCE SECTIONS 288.01, 288.02 AND 288.03 TO REFLECT RECENT AMENDMENTS TO THE CITY CHARTER RELATED TO THE CITY'S PARK BOARD.

Executive Summary: The proposed amendments to the Codified Ordinances reflect Charter amendments approved by voters in November 2005, 2010, and 2015.

Attachments: [Ordinance No. 16-132](#)

Mayor Basil read the title of Ordinance No. 16-132, which constituted its first reading.

12. Executive Session

A motion was made by Mr. DeSaussure, seconded by Mr. Wooldredge, to enter into executive session pursuant to Ohio Revised Code, Section 121.22 (G), to consider the purchase of property for public purposes and to consider a personnel matter concerning the employment of a public employee. Mayor Basil recessed the meeting at 8:08 p.m. after the motion carried by the following vote:

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

Mayor Basil recused himself from discussion of the matter concerning the purchase of property for public purposes, and he left the meeting at 8:11 p.m. Mayor Basil rejoined the meeting at 8:21 p.m. for discussion of the personnel matter concerning the employment of a public employee.

Mayor Basil reconvened the regular Council meeting at 9:05 p.m.

13. Adjournment

There being no further business, Mayor Basil adjourned the Council meeting at 9:05 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.