



City of Hudson, Ohio

Meeting Minutes - Draft

City Council

William A. Currin, Mayor

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

David A. Basil, City Council Member (Ward 2)

Dennis N. Hanink, City Council Member (Ward 1)

Alex D. Kelemen, City Council Member (Ward 3)

Keith W. Smith, City Council Member (Ward 4)

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

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

Jane Howington, City Manager

R. Todd Hunt, City Solicitor

Elizabeth A. Slagle, Clerk of Council

Tuesday, February 17, 2015

7:30 PM

Town Hall

1. Call to Order

Mayor Currin called to order the meeting of Hudson City Council at 7:30 p.m.

2. Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag

3. Roll Call

Present: 7 - Mr. Basil, Mr. DeSaussure, Mr. Hanink, Mr. Kelemen, Mr. Smith, Dr. Williams, and Mr. Wooldredge

Staff in Attendance: Ms. Howington, City Manager; Mr. Hunt, City Solicitor; Mrs. Slagle, Clerk of Council; Mr. Comeriato, Public Works Director; Mr. Knoblauch, Finance Director; Mr. Leiter, Production Assistant; Mr. Nichols, EMS Deputy Chief; Mr. Richardson, Community Development Director; Ms. Roberts, Communications Manager; Mr. Sheridan, City Engineer; Mr. Varnes, Fire/EMS Chief.

Moment of Silence

Mayor Currin said that Hudson has experienced the loss of a great lady with the passing of long-time resident Ada Cooper Miller. He said that in her 111 years, she gave of her time and talents as a member of the School Board and a florist, and she will be greatly missed by all.

A moment of silence was observed by all in honor of Ada Cooper Miller.

4. Approval of the Minutes

A. [15-0021](#) MINUTES OF PREVIOUS COUNCIL MEETINGS.

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

Attachments: [February 3, 2015 Special Council Meeting Minutes DRAFT](#)
[February 3, 2015 Council Meeting Minutes DRAFT](#)
[February 10, 2015 Special Council Meeting Minutes DRAFT](#)
[February 10, 2015 Council Workshop Minutes DRAFT](#)

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

5. Public Comments

Ms. Valerie Strong, 16 Thirty Acres Lane, shared her concerns for the environment and asked that the City utilize organic fertilizers instead of toxic chemicals on the public greens. Referring to an article from the January/February edition of Wild Ones Journal, she said that toxic sprays have endangered pollinators, and she urged that Hudson become an eco-friendly community. She said that she was encouraged to know that the City is moving in this direction. (See letter and article attached to record copy of these minutes).

Mr. Marc Gross, 483 Atterbury Blvd., expressed concerns regarding zoning code enforcement, and he asked for assistance. (See letter attached to record copy of these minutes).

6. Correspondence and Council Comments

In follow-up to the last Economic Growth Board meeting, Mr. Wooldredge said that the City Manager was in attendance and spoke of a future vision for the Board, tasking members to give some thought to the Board's involvement in the City's major projects.

Mr. Smith requested that Council discuss a proposed Resolution in support of Annie's Law at the next workshop.

Mr. DeSaussure read a letter from Hudson resident Ellen Conrad, sharing her appreciation of a recent act of kindness by a neighbor and a Hudson police officer, who assisted in freeing her daughter's car from a snow bank. He noted that Random Acts of Kindness Week was recently celebrated, and this letter was a timely reminder of the positive impacts of kindness.

Mayor Currin shared that the inaugural event for Hudson's Pride of Place Initiative took place at the Hudson Library & Historical Society last night, including the viewing a DVD on Hudson's history. He thanked all who attended.

7. Report of Manager

Ms. Howington said that the only thing she had to report on was the weather, and she said that she had nothing good to say about it.

8. Appointments

A motion was made by Mr. DeSaussure, seconded by Mr. Basil, that Mr. Mark Stratis be appointed to serve on the Planning Commission for a term expiring December 31, 2018. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: 7 - Mr. Basil, Mr. DeSaussure, Mr. Hanink, Mr. Kelemen, Mr. Smith, Dr. Williams, and Mr. Wooldredge

9. Suspension of the Rules for the Consent Agenda

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

Aye: 7 - Mr. DeSaussure, Mr. Hanink, Mr. Kelemen, Mr. Smith, Dr. Williams, Mr. Wooldredge, and Mr. Basil

Approval of the Consent Agenda

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

Aye: 7 - Mr. Hanink, Mr. Kelemen, Mr. Smith, Dr. Williams, Mr. Wooldredge, Mr. Basil, and Mr. DeSaussure

A. [15-0022](#)

A MOTION TO ACKNOWLEDGE THE TIMELY RECEIPT OF THE JANUARY 2015 MONTHLY FINANCIAL REPORT.

Executive Summary: Financial summaries are provided each month for Council's review.

Attachments: [January 2015 Financial Report](#)

This Motion was approved on the Consent Agenda.

B. [15-0023](#)

A MOTION DIRECTING THE CLERK TO SEND NOTICE TO THE OHIO DIVISION OF LIQUOR CONTROL INDICATING NO REQUEST FOR A HEARING REGARDING A NEW PERMIT TO SELL ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES FOR MALTED MEEPLE LLC, DBA THE MALTED MEEPLE, 5100 DARROW ROAD, HUDSON.

Executive Summary: The Clerk is in receipt of a Notice to Legislative Authority dated February 2, 2015, from the Ohio Division of Liquor Control concerning the opportunity to request a hearing regarding a Class D5 Permit for the Malted Meeple.

Attachments: [Notice to Legislative Authority - Liquor Permit for The Malted Meeple](#)
[Hyperlink - Ohio Dept. of Commerce Permit Classes](#)

This Motion was approved on the Consent Agenda.

D. [15-22](#)

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER TO PURCHASE TWO VEHICLES THROUGH THE COMMUNITY, UNIVERSITY & EDUCATION PURCHASING ASSOCIATION (C.U.E.) PROGRAM AS REPLACEMENT VEHICLES FOR THE CITY VEHICLE FLEET; AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

Executive Summary: As part of the approved 2015 fleet capital replacement budget the Public Works Department has obtained CUE government program pricing for the purchase of two (2) fleet replacement vehicles and wishes to secure pricing and place vehicle orders.

Attachments: [Fleet Replacement Chart - 2015](#)
[Resolution No. 15-22](#)

This Resolution was approved on the Consent Agenda.

- E. [15-23](#) **A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER TO ENTER INTO A PURCHASE AGREEMENT FOR TWO SNOW PLOW TRUCKS (CABS AND CHASSIS) AND AN AGREEMENT FOR THE PURCHASE AND INSTALLATION OF SNOW/ICE REMOVAL EQUIPMENT; AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.**

Executive Summary: Per the approved 2015 fleet capital replacement budget the Public Works Department has obtained competitive pricing for the purchase of two (2) replacement snow plow truck cab and chassis . The replacement cab and chassis will be purchased from Valley Freightliner Trucks of Cleveland. Each replacement unit will need to be out fitted with snow plow and dump bed equipment. As such, the associated equipment will be purchased and installed by Henderson Truck Equipment-Ohio.

Attachments: [Salt Truck Fleet Replacements- 2015](#)
[Resolution No. 15-23](#)

This Resolution was approved on the Consent Agenda.

- F. [15-24](#) **A RESOLUTION TO APPROVE THEN AND NOW CERTIFICATES FOR PURCHASES; AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.**

Executive Summary: Council authorization is required for payment of the invoice(s) shown on this Resolution in excess of \$3,000 for which a commitment was made before a Purchase Order was generated.

Attachments: [Resolution No. 15-24](#)

This Resolution was approved on the Consent Agenda.

Items Removed from the Consent Agenda

- C. [15-21](#) **A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER TO ENTER INTO A CHARITABLE DONATION AGREEMENT ACCEPTING THE DONATION OF AN AUTOMATED CPR DEVICE FROM UNIVERSITY HOSPITALS HEALTH SYSTEM, INC., EXPRESSING APPRECIATION THEREFOR, AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.**

Executive Summary: Representatives from University Hospitals will be in attendance at the February 17, 2015, Council meeting to present the donation of a Lucas automated CPR device to Hudson's Emergency Medical Service.

Attachments: [Correspondence from Medical Director](#)
[Charitable Donation Agreement](#)
[Resolution No. 15-21](#)

Mr. DeSaussure asked that this item be removed from the Consent Agenda.

Mayor Currin read the title of this Resolution, which constituted its first reading.

Mr. DeSaussure asked that representatives from the safety forces and University Hospitals be given the opportunity to speak. Chief Varnes introduced Susan Juris, President of University Hospitals Ahuja Medical Center, who spoke regarding the Lucas CPR Device, noting that the most important aspect of CPR is the delivery of perfect, continuous chest compressions, which this device delivers. Through its Vital Link Campaign, she said that University Hospitals has donated a total of 17 such devices to area communities, and she was pleased to present the Lucas Chest Compression Device as a donation to Hudson's EMS.

Mayor Currin thanked Ms. Juris and EMS members in attendance, including Chief Jerry Varnes, Deputy Chief Larry Nichols, Mr. Mark Miller, Ms. Lori Kelly, Mr. Tom Harkness, and Mr. Chris Stellato. Mr. DeSaussure thanked University Hospitals for their generous donations of Lucas CPR Devices to Hudson and other area communities.

A motion was made by Mr. DeSaussure, seconded by Dr. Williams, to suspend the rules as provided in Section 220.03 of the Codified Ordinances to allow for passage of this Resolution. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: 7 - Mr. Kelemen, Mr. Smith, Dr. Williams, Mr. Wooldredge, Mr. Basil, Mr. DeSaussure, and Mr. Hanink

A motion was made by Mr. DeSaussure, seconded by Dr. Williams, that this Resolution be adopted. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: 7 - Mr. Smith, Dr. Williams, Mr. Wooldredge, Mr. Basil, Mr. DeSaussure, Mr. Hanink, and Mr. Kelemen

G. [15-25](#)

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER TO ESTABLISH A FORMAL STORM WATER WORK POLICY.

Executive Summary: The City of Hudson Administration is requesting legislation from City Council which will establish a new written storm water policy.

Attachments: [Draft Storm Water Policy from 1/27/15 Council Workshop](#)
[Revised Draft Storm Water Policy introduced at 2/17/15 Council Meeting](#)
[Typical Internal Procedure for Storm Water Issues](#)
[Resolution No. 15-25](#)

Mr. Basil asked that this item be removed from the Consent Agenda.

Mayor Currin read the title of this Resolution, which constituted its first reading.

While he agreed that the City needs a Storm Water Management Policy, Mr. Basil said that he believed there were certain issues that still needed to be addressed.

A motion was made by Mr. Basil, seconded by Mr. DeSaussure, that this Resolution be tabled for further discussion at the Council workshop of February 24, 2015, and for further consideration at the Council meeting of March 3, 2015. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: 7 - Dr. Williams, Mr. Wooldredge, Mr. Basil, Mr. DeSaussure, Mr. Hanink, Mr. Kelemen, and Mr. Smith

Mayor Currin declared Resolution No. 15-25 tabled, as indicated above.

10. Legislation

A. [15-26](#)

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING A GRANT DONATION OF \$2500.00 TO HUDSON COMMUNITY FIRST/ KEEP HUDSON SAFE INITIATIVE FOR PUBLIC AWARENESS AND EDUCATION ON THE DANGERS OF HEROIN; AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

Executive Summary: The City of Hudson, the Hudson School District and Hudson Community First are partnering to bring a heroin awareness program to the Hudson community.

Attachments: [Resolution No. 15-26](#)

Mayor Currin read the title of this Resolution, which constituted its first reading.

Mr. DeSaussure said that this Resolution is a result of a recent meeting among representatives from the City, Schools, Hudson Community First, and the Keep Hudson Safe Initiative, who are looking to a community-wide initiative to address the local heroin problem. He and Mayor Currin urged Council members to support this Resolution to provide seed money for an educational program. While Council members discussed the importance of addressing all types and forms of addiction, they agreed that the heroin problem in particular needs to be addressed, due to the immediacy and lethality of heroin addiction, and the fact that heroin addiction cuts across all ages and socio-economic levels.

A motion was made by Mr. DeSaussure, seconded by Mr. Basil, to suspend the rules as provided in Section 220.03 of the Codified Ordinances to allow for passage of Resolution No. 15-26. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: 7 - Mr. Wooldredge, Mr. Basil, Mr. DeSaussure, Mr. Hanink, Mr. Kelemen, Mr. Smith, and Dr. Williams

A motion was made by Mr. DeSaussure, seconded by Mr. Wooldredge, that this Resolution be adopted. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: 7 - Mr. Basil, Mr. DeSaussure, Mr. Hanink, Mr. Kelemen, Mr. Smith, Dr. Williams, and Mr. Wooldredge

11. Presentations

A. [15-0024](#)

Presentation: Status of the Comprehensive Plan Update.

Executive Summary: Community Development Director Mark Richardson will make a brief presentation on the status of the Comprehensive Plan effort.

Attachments: [Project Schedule](#)

Mr. Richardson reported on the status of the Comprehensive Plan Update. He said the review process is a Charter requirement and is about half completed, and that adoption by City Council is anticipated by September 2015. He said that the consulting firm of Houseal Lavigne has worked with the Council-appointed Steering Committee, and the process has involved much public input. He said the Existing Conditions Report will soon be available online, along with summaries of the visioning sessions. He announced that a joint meeting with Comprehensive Plan Update Steering Committee and the Downtown Redevelopment Phase II Committee has been scheduled on May 5, 2015, for drafting certain components of the Comprehensive Plan.

Discussion followed. Council members were pleased with the progress to date. Mr. Richardson said that the committee process allows for Council input at any time, but Council will also be given an opportunity for input upon completion of a draft Comprehensive Plan Update, which will be provided in mid-summer.

This matter was presented to Council.

12. Executive Session

A motion was made by Mr. DeSaussure, seconded by Mr. Basil, that Council enter into executive session to consider the hiring of City personnel. Mayor Currin recessed the meeting at 8:27 p.m. after the motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: 7 - Mr. DeSaussure, Mr. Hanink, Mr. Kelemen, Mr. Smith, Dr. Williams, Mr. Wooldredge, and Mr. Basil

Mayor Currin reconvened the Council meeting at 9:20 p.m.

13. Adjournment

There being no further business, Mayor Currin adjourned the Council meeting at 9:20 p.m.

William A. Currin, 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.