



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, December 5, 2017

6:45 PM

Town Hall

1. Call to Order

Mayor Basil called to order the meeting of Hudson City Council at 6:47 p.m., in accordance with the Sunshine Laws of the State of Ohio, O.R.C. Section 121.22.

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

Excused: 1 - Mrs. Bigham

Mrs. Bigham entered the meeting at 7:00 p.m.

Staff in Attendance: Mrs. Slagle, Clerk of Council.

3. Executive Session

A motion was made by Mr. DeSaussure, seconded by Mr. Wooldredge, to enter into executive session to interview applicants for the Cemetery Board, Board of Zoning & Building Appeals, and Planning Commission. Mayor Basil recessed the meeting at 6:47 p.m. after the motion carried by the following vote:

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

Excused: 1 - Mrs. Bigham

Mayor Basil reconvened the meeting at 7:32 p.m.

Staff in Attendance: Ms. Howington, City Manager; Mr. Hunt, City Solicitor; Mrs. Slagle, Clerk of Council; Mr. Comeriato, Assistant City Manager - Operations; Mr. Hannan, City Planner; Mr. Hutchinson, Assistant Public Works Director; Mr. Knoblauch, Assistant City Manager - Finance Director; Mr. Kosco, Assistant City Engineer; Mr. Leiter, Production Assistant; Ms. Roberts, Communications Manager; and Mr. Sheridan, Assistant City Manager - City Engineer.

2. Roll Call

Present: 7 - Mrs. Bigham, Mr. DeSaussure, Mr. Hanink, Mr. Kelemen, Mr. Weinstein, Dr. Williams and Mr. Wooldredge

4. Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag

5. Oaths of Office

Mayor Basil administered the Oath of Office to Council members Bigham, DeSaussure, Williams, and Wooldredge.

6. Nominations and Election

Mr. Hanink nominated Mr. Wooldredge to serve as the new President of Council for a two-year term. The nomination was approved by the following vote:

Aye: 7 - Mrs. Bigham, Mr. DeSaussure, Mr. Hanink, Mr. Kelemen, Mr. Weinstein, Dr. Williams and Mr. Wooldredge

Mr. Wooldredge acknowledged Mr. DeSaussure's leadership as past President. He said that he intends to meet frequently with fellow Council members to gain their input, and he looked forward to working with each member. He expressed appreciation for the spirit of civility on Council.

7. Approval of the Minutes

A. [17-0104](#) Minutes of Previous Council Meetings.

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

Attachments: [November 21, 2017 Council Meeting Minutes - DRAFT](#)
[November 28, 2017 Council Workshop Minutes - DRAFT](#)

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

8. Honorary Resolutions

A. [17-186](#) A RESOLUTION HONORING JOAN JOHNSON FOR TWENTY YEARS OF SERVICE WITH THE CITY OF HUDSON.

Executive Summary: This Resolution recognizes Joan Johnson, Public Works Office Manager, for twenty years of service.

Attachments: [Resolution No. 17-186](#)

Mayor Basil read Resolution No. 17-186 in its entirety and thanked Ms. Johnson for her service. Ms. Johnson accepted the Resolution and clock with gratitude.

A motion was made by Mr. Wooldredge, seconded by Mr. DeSaussure, to pass Resolution No. 17-186. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: 7 - Mr. DeSaussure, Mr. Hanink, Mr. Kelemen, Mr. Weinstein, Dr. Williams, Mr. Wooldredge and Mrs. Bigham

B. [17-187](#) A RESOLUTION HONORING WILLIAM SEESE FOR TWENTY YEARS OF SERVICE WITH THE CITY OF HUDSON.

Executive Summary: This Resolution recognizes Bill Seese, Public Works Equipment Operator, for twenty years of service.

Attachments: [Resolution No. 17-187](#)

Mayor Basil read Resolution No. 17-187 in its entirety and recognized Mr. Seese for his service. Mr. Hutchinson accepted the Resolution and clock on behalf of Mr. Seese, who was not able to attend the meeting.

A motion was made by Mr. Wooldredge, seconded by Mr. DeSaussure, to pass Resolution No. 17-187. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: 7 - Mr. Hanink, Mr. Kelemen, Mr. Weinstein, Dr. Williams, Mr. Wooldredge, Mrs. Bigham and Mr. DeSaussure

9. Public Comments

Ms. Ela Mody, 6254 Wessington Drive, and Ms. Caroline Bird, 7406 Hudson Park Drive, spoke about the climate crisis, presented a Report Card for the City of Hudson, and expressed concerns about impacts on future generations. They shared their passion for the environment and explained their involvement with the iMatter network. They urged City Council to consider passing a Climate Inheritance Resolution. (see comments and hand-outs attached to record copy of these minutes). Mayor Basil thanked the students for their passion and hard work. He said that elected officials and staff will review the materials provided.

10. Correspondence and Council Comments

None.

11. Report of Manager

As part of her ongoing recognition of veterans that serve our community, Ms. Howington recognized Mr. Charlie Schnoor for his years of service in the U.S. Army during the Vietnam War. She noted his service with the City since 1999, his current work as construction coordinator with the Engineering Department, and she announced his retirement at the end of the year.

Ms. Howington asked Mr. Knoblauch to review the Note Ordinances for debt issuance on the evening's agenda. Mr. Knoblauch explained each of the following Ordinances and said that the intent is to roll the notes over into a bond issue in the future:

- 1.) 17-192 for the Pasco building purchase and necessary improvements;*
- 2.) 17-193 for the salt dome and bus garage costs that the City has incurred to date;*
- 3.) 17-194 for water system improvements on North Main Street (debt renewal);*
- 4.) 17-195 for street improvements on Barlow Road and North Main Street (debt renewal); and*
- 5.) 17-196 for purchase of the Windstream property for Downtown Phase 2.*

Mr. Knoblauch encouraged Council to pass all of these Ordinances, so that the City could proceed with closing the note issuance by year's end. He explained the need for certification of Ordinance No. 17-196 by the Hudson Community Improvement Corporation (HCIC), as required by the Ohio Revised Code. Ms. Howington said that staff is researching options for CIC certification, whether it is necessary to reconvene the HCIC or possibly use the Greater Akron Chamber of Commerce Regional CIC. Discussion followed concerning the City's debt capacity, the feasibility of transferring funds as an alternative to notes, and CIC certification of 17-196, further discussion of which was scheduled for the December 12, 2017, workshop.

Ms. Howington also recognized Mr. Mark Richardson, Community Development Director, who has decided to retire. She announced appointment of Mr. Greg Hannan as the new Community Development Director and Ms. Kris McMaster as the new City Planner. She also announced the hiring of a new Planner in the Community Development Department to fill a vacancy.

12. Appointments

A. Appointments to Boards and Commissions

A motion was made by Mr. DeSaussure, seconded by Dr. Williams, that the following citizens be appointed: Mr. Doug Hartdmayer and Ms. Joann Moore to serve on the Cemetery Board for full terms commencing January 1, 2018; and Mr. Robert Drew and Mr. Louis Wagner to serve on the Board of Zoning & Building Appeals for full terms commencing January 2, 2018. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: 7 - Mr. Kelemen, Mr. Weinstein, Dr. Williams, Mr. Wooldredge, Mrs. Bigham, Mr. DeSaussure and Mr. Hanink

B. [17-0105](#) Appointment of Council Representatives to the Volunteer Fire Fighters' Dependents Fund Board for the 2018 Term.

Executive Summary: On an annual basis, City Council must appoint two of its members to serve on the Volunteer Fire Fighters' Dependents Fund Board (VFFDFB). The current representatives, Mr. Hanink and Dr. Williams, are interested in continuing to serve on the VFFDFB.

A motion was made by Mr. DeSaussure, seconded by Mr. Wooldredge, that Mr. Hanink and Dr. Williams be re-appointed to serve on the Volunteer Fire Fighters' Dependents Fund Board for 2018. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: 7 - Mr. Weinstein, Dr. Williams, Mr. Wooldredge, Mrs. Bigham, Mr. DeSaussure, Mr. Hanink and Mr. Kelemen

13. Suspension of the Rules for the Consent Agenda

A motion was made by Mr. Wooldredge, seconded by Dr. Williams, 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: 7 - Dr. Williams, Mr. Wooldredge, Mrs. Bigham, Mr. DeSaussure, Mr. Hanink, Mr. Kelemen and Mr. Weinstein

Approval of the Consent Agenda

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

Aye: 7 - Mr. Wooldredge, Mrs. Bigham, Mr. DeSaussure, Mr. Hanink, Mr. Kelemen, Mr. Weinstein and Dr. Williams

B. [17-188](#)

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER TO ENTER INTO AN AGREEMENT WITH THE SUMMIT COUNTY PUBLIC DEFENDER'S COMMISSION FOR DEFENSE OF INDIGENT DEFENDANTS IN THE STOW MUNICIPAL COURT, AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

Executive Summary: The City enters into an Agreement with the Summit County Public Defender's Commission annually for the defense of indigent defendants.

Attachments: [2018 Agreement with Summit County Public Defenders Commission](#)
[Resolution No. 17-188](#)

Resolution No. 17-188 was passed on the Consent Agenda.

C. [17-189](#)

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER TO ENTER INTO A PROFESSIONAL SERVICES CONTRACT WITH ARCADIS, INC. FOR UPDATING THE CITY'S WATER DISTRIBUTION SYSTEM MODEL AND WATER EMERGENCY CONTINGENCY PLAN; AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

Executive Summary: Proposed updates to the City's Water Distribution System Model will evaluate the existing model, review recommendations for future system improvements and compile the information into a new Master Water Plan that will be used for future planning and capital improvements. Proposed updates to the Water Emergency Contingency Plan will evaluate the most effective and efficient procedures to be followed by staff in the event of a water system emergency.

Attachments: [Draft Water Rankings Top 1-20](#)
[Resolution No. 17-189](#)

Resolution No. 17-189 was passed on the Consent Agenda.

- D. [17-190](#) **A RESOLUTION AFFIRMING THE APPLICATION SUBMITTED BY THE CITY MANAGER TO THE HUDSON COMMUNITY FOUNDATION FOR A GRANT TO PROVIDE FUNDING TO HUDSON COMMUNITY TELEVISION.**
Executive Summary: The Hudson Community Foundation awards grant funding to non-profit charitable organizations and government agencies for arts and culture.
Attachments: [Resolution No. 17-190](#)

Resolution No. 17-190 was passed on the Consent Agenda.

- E. [17-191](#) **A RESOLUTION TO APPROVE A THEN AND NOW CERTIFICATE FOR A PURCHASE MADE; AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.**
Executive Summary: Council authorization is required for payment of the invoice shown on this Resolution in excess of \$3,000, for which a commitment was made before a Purchase Order was generated.
Attachments: [Resolution No. 17-191](#)

Resolution No. 17-191 was passed on the Consent Agenda.

Items Removed from the Consent Agenda

- A. [17-0106](#) **A Motion Directing the Clerk to Send Notice to the Ohio Division of Liquor Control ~~Requesting Indicating No Request~~ for a Hearing Regarding a New Permit to Sell Alcoholic Beverages for CLE Social LLC, dba CLE Social, 186 N. Main St., Hudson. (as amended 12/5/2017)**
Executive Summary: The Clerk is in receipt of a Notice to Legislative Authority dated November 20, 2017, from the Ohio Division of Liquor Control concerning the opportunity to request a hearing regarding this Class D1 Permit.
Attachments: [Liquor Permit Notice for CLE Social LLC](#)

Mr. Kelemen requested that this item be removed from the Consent Agenda.

Mr. Kelemen expressed concern regarding a permit application to sell alcoholic beverages for CLE Social, due to its small arcade atmosphere and attraction as an after-school hangout for students. Discussion followed regarding requesting a hearing.

A motion was made by Mr. DeSaussure, seconded by Mr. Wooldredge, to pass the original motion.

A subsidiary motion was made by Mr. Kelemen, seconded by Dr. Williams, to pass an amended motion "requesting a hearing" regarding a new permit to sell alcoholic beverages for CLE Social LLC. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: 4 - Mrs. Bigam, Mr. Hanink, Mr. Kelemen and Dr. Williams

Nay: 3 - Mr. DeSaussure, Mr. Weinstein and Mr. Wooldredge

Additional discussion followed concerning the grounds for a hearing. Mr. Hunt shared information about the hearing process.

14. Legislation

- A. [17-175](#) **AN ORDINANCE ACCEPTING DEDICATION OF THE PUBLIC STREETS, EASEMENTS AND PUBLIC IMPROVEMENTS WITHIN THE SEASONS GREENE ECO-INDUSTRIAL PARK SUBDIVISION. (as revised 11/21/2017)**

Executive Summary: The developer of Seasons Greene Eco-Industrial Park has completed public improvements within the subdivision and is requesting that City Council accept the dedication of these improvements and right-of-way.

Attachments: [Dedication Acceptance Memo](#)
[Location Map](#)
[Ordinance No. 17-175, as revised 11/21/2017](#)

Mayor Basil read the title of Ordinance No. 17-175, which constituted its third reading.

Mr. Kelemen expressed concern regarding the lack of sidewalks in this development, noting that if sidewalks are added in the future, it will be at the City's expense. He suggested the City tighten up the Code to require sidewalks in industrial parks.

A motion was made by Mr. Wooldredge, seconded by Mr. DeSaussure, to pass Ordinance No. 17-175. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: 7 - Mr. DeSaussure, Mr. Hanink, Mr. Kelemen, Mr. Weinstein, Dr. Williams, Mr. Wooldredge and Mrs. Bigham

- B. [17-192](#) **AN ORDINANCE PROVIDING FOR THE ISSUANCE AND SALE OF \$4,500,000 OF NOTES, IN ANTICIPATION OF THE ISSUANCE OF BONDS, FOR THE PURPOSE OF PAYING COSTS OF ACQUIRING, REMODELING, RENOVATING, FURNISHING, EQUIPPING AND OTHERWISE IMPROVING A BUILDING, AND ACQUIRING, CLEARING, IMPROVING AND EQUIPPING ITS SITE, FOR USE AS A NEW CITY HALL TO HOUSE MUNICIPAL OFFICES AND FUNCTIONS, AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.**

Executive Summary: This ordinance approves the issuance of notes for the purchase of the former PASCO building, as well as the estimated cost of renovations and improvements to the building.

Attachments: [Fiscal Officer's Certificate](#)
[Ordinance No. 17-192](#)

Mayor Basil read the title of Ordinance No. 17-192, which constituted its first reading.

A motion was made by Mr. Wooldredge, seconded by Dr. Williams, to suspend the rule requiring three readings to allow for passage of Ordinance No. 17-192. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: 7 - Mr. Hanink, Mr. Kelemen, Mr. Weinstein, Dr. Williams, Mr. Wooldredge, Mrs. Bigham and Mr. DeSaussure

A motion was made by Mr. Wooldredge, seconded by Mr. DeSaussure, to pass Ordinance No. 17-192. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: 7 - Mr. Kelemen, Mr. Weinstein, Dr. Williams, Mr. Wooldredge, Mrs. Bigham, Mr. DeSaussure and Mr. Hanink

C. [17-193](#)

AN ORDINANCE PROVIDING FOR THE ISSUANCE AND SALE OF \$500,000 OF NOTES, IN ANTICIPATION OF THE ISSUANCE OF BONDS, FOR THE PURPOSE OF PAYING COSTS OF IMPROVING CITY-OWNED PROPERTY LOCATED AT 5810 HUDSON DRIVE BY CONSTRUCTING, FURNISHING EQUIPPING AND OTHERWISE IMPROVING (i) A NEW SALT STORAGE FACILITY AND (ii) A NEW BUS MAINTENANCE AND STORAGE FACILITY AND CLEARING, IMPROVING AND EQUIPPING THE SITE, AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

Executive Summary: This ordinance is for the approval of the issuance of notes to pay for the costs incurred to date for the new salt dome and bus garage as part of the Downtown Phase 2 Project.

Attachments: [Fiscal Officer's Certificate](#)
[Ordinance No. 17-193](#)

Mayor Basil read the title of Ordinance No. 17-193, which constituted its first reading.

A motion was made by Dr. Williams, seconded by Mr. Wooldredge, to suspend the rule requiring three readings to allow for passage of Ordinance No. 17-193. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: 7 - Dr. Williams, Mr. Wooldredge, Mrs. Bigham, Mr. DeSaussure, Mr. Hanink, Mr. Kelemen and Mr. Weinstein

A motion was made by Mr. Wooldredge, seconded by Mr. DeSaussure, to pass Ordinance No. 17-193. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: 7 - Mr. Wooldredge, Mrs. Bigham, Mr. DeSaussure, Mr. Hanink, Mr. Kelemen, Mr. Weinstein and Dr. Williams

D. [17-194](#)

AN ORDINANCE PROVIDING FOR THE ISSUANCE AND SALE OF \$805,000 OF NOTES, IN ANTICIPATION OF THE ISSUANCE OF BONDS, FOR THE PURPOSE OF PAYING COSTS OF IMPROVING THE CITY'S WATER SYSTEM BY CONSTRUCTING WATER MAINS, AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

Executive Summary: This allows for the renewal of notes issued for the water improvement portion of the North Main Street Project.

Attachments: [Fiscal Officer's Certificate](#)
[Ordinance No. 17-194](#)

Mayor Basil read the title of Ordinance No. 17-194, which constituted its first reading.

A motion was made by Mr. Wooldredge, seconded by Mr. DeSaussure, to suspend the rule requiring three readings to allow for passage of Ordinance No. 17-194. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: 7 - Mrs. Bigham, Mr. DeSaussure, Mr. Hanink, Mr. Kelemen, Mr. Weinstein, Dr. Williams and Mr. Wooldredge

A motion was made by Mr. Wooldredge, seconded by Dr. Williams, to pass Ordinance No. 17-194. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: 7 - Mr. DeSaussure, Mr. Hanink, Mr. Kelemen, Mr. Weinstein, Dr. Williams, Mr. Wooldredge and Mrs. Bigham

- E. [17-195](#) AN ORDINANCE PROVIDING FOR THE ISSUANCE AND SALE OF \$2,535,000 OF NOTES, IN ANTICIPATION OF THE ISSUANCE OF BONDS, FOR THE PURPOSE OF PAYING COSTS OF IMPROVING CITY STREETS BY CONSTRUCTING, RECONSTRUCTING, WIDENING, RESURFACING, GRADING, DRAINING, CURBING AND PAVING, AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.
- Executive Summary:** This ordinance authorizes the re-issuance of notes for the North Main Street Project and Barlow Road Widening/Resurfacing Project.
- Attachments:** [Fiscal Officer's Certificate](#)
[Ordinance No. 17-195](#)

Mayor Basil read the title of Ordinance No. 17-195, which constituted its first reading.

A motion was made by Mr. Wooldredge, seconded by Mr. DeSaussure, to suspend the rule requiring three readings to allow for passage of Ordinance No. 17-195. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: 7 - Mr. Hanink, Mr. Kelemen, Mr. Weinstein, Dr. Williams, Mr. Wooldredge, Mrs. Bigham and Mr. DeSaussure

A motion was made by Mr. Wooldredge, seconded by Mr. DeSaussure, to pass Ordinance No. 17-195. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: 7 - Mr. Kelemen, Mr. Weinstein, Dr. Williams, Mr. Wooldredge, Mrs. Bigham, Mr. DeSaussure and Mr. Hanink

- F. [17-196](#) AN ORDINANCE PROVIDING FOR THE ISSUANCE AND SALE OF \$740,000 OF TAXABLE ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT NONTAX REVENUE BOND ANTICIPATION NOTES, IN ANTICIPATION OF THE ISSUANCE OF BONDS, FOR THE PURPOSE OF PAYING COSTS OF ACQUIRING APPROXIMATELY 4.0 ACRES OF REAL PROPERTY LOCATED NEAR THE SOUTHWEST CORNER OF OWEN BROWN STREET AND MORSE ROAD FOR SALE OR LEASE FOR PRIVATE REDEVELOPMENT, APPROPRIATING THE PROCEEDS OF THE NOTES AND AUTHORIZING THE EXPENDITURE OF THOSE PROCEEDS FOR THAT PURPOSE, AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

Executive Summary: This ordinance allows for the issuance of notes to pay for the former Windstream purchased as part of the downtown project.

Attachments: [Ordinance No. 17-196](#)

Mayor Basil read the title of Ordinance No. 17-196, which constituted its first reading.

A motion was made by Mr. DeSaussure, seconded by Mr. Hanink, to suspend the rule requiring three readings to allow for passage of Ordinance No. 17-196. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: 7 - Mr. Weinstein, Dr. Williams, Mr. Wooldredge, Mrs. Bigham, Mr. DeSaussure, Mr. Hanink and Mr. Kelemen

A motion was made by Mr. Wooldredge, seconded by Mr. DeSaussure, to pass Ordinance No. 17-196. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: 7 - Dr. Williams, Mr. Wooldredge, Mrs. Bigham, Mr. DeSaussure, Mr. Hanink, Mr. Kelemen and Mr. Weinstein

15. Executive Session

A motion was made by Mr. Wooldredge, seconded by Mr. Hanink, to enter into executive session to consider the following matters: the purchase of property for public purposes; the sale of property; and a personnel matter concerning the employment of a public employee. Mayor Basil recessed the meeting at 8:45 p.m. after the motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: 7 - Mr. Wooldredge, Mrs. Bigham, Mr. DeSaussure, Mr. Hanink, Mr. Kelemen, Mr. Weinstein and Dr. Williams

Mayor Basil reconvened the regular meeting at 9:30 p.m.

16. Adjournment

There being no further business, Mayor Basil adjourned the Council meeting at 9:30 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.

