



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, May 5, 2015

7:00 PM

Town Hall

1. Call to Order

Mayor Currin called to order the meeting of Hudson City Council at 7:00 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. Griffith, Hudson Public Power, Systems Supervisor; Mr. Hannan, City Planner; Mr. Knoblauch, Finance Director; Mr. Leiter, Production Assistant; Mr. Powell, Public Works Superintendent - Utilities; Ms. Roberts, Communications Manager; Mr. Sheridan, City Engineer.

4. Executive Session

A motion was made by Mr. DeSaussure, seconded by Mr. Wooldredge, that Council enter into executive session to interview applicants for the Architectural and Historic Board of Review. Mayor Currin recessed the meeting at 7:03 p.m. after the motion carried by the following vote:

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

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

5. Approval of the Minutes

- A. [15-0057](#) **MINUTES OF PREVIOUS COUNCIL MEETINGS.**
Executive Summary: Draft minutes of previous meetings are provided for City Council's review and approval.
Attachments: [April 21, 2015 Council Meeting Minutes - DRAFT](#)
[April 28, 2015 Council Workshop Minutes - DRAFT](#)

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

6. Proclamations

- A. [15-0059](#) **Proclamation: Special Recognition of "Public Service Recognition Week."**
Executive Summary: This Proclamation recognizes the week of May 3-9, 2015 as "Public Service Recognition Week" in Hudson, Ohio, in honor of public employees who serve at all levels of government.
Attachments: [Proclamation](#)
- Ms. Howington accepted the Proclamation, and she thanked Mayor Currin and City Council members for acknowledging Public Service Recognition Week. She noted that the recognition is not only for paid staff, but also for volunteers in the community, a very necessary part of the local government. Mayor Currin thanked employees for their competence, dedication and loyalty to the City.*
- Mayor Currin read this Proclamation in its entirety, acknowledging the week of May 3-9, 2015 as "Public Service Recognition Week."**

7. Public Hearings

A. [15-58](#) **AN ORDINANCE AMENDING SECTIONS 1048.02 AND 1048.04 OF THE STREETS, UTILITIES AND PUBLIC SERVICES CODE TO ADOPT AN ADJUSTED ELECTRIC RATE STRUCTURE AND SCHEDULE OF CHARGES.**

Executive Summary: The City's Public Works Department has completed an electric rate and cost of service study with consultants Courtney & Associates. The consulting firm has developed an electric rate adjustment proposal for City Council consideration.

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[Ordinance No. 15-58](#)

Mayor Currin opened the public hearing at 7:35 p.m.

Mr. Jerry Lynch, co-owner of LifeCenter Plus Health & Fitness Center and resident of 2772 Ira Road, Akron, Ohio, spoke against passage of proposed Ordinance No. 15-58. He commented that information provided on Hudson's electric bill is not detailed enough for customers to discern how the proposed rate increase will affect their future bills. Additionally, he felt that the consultant's report did not give ample information explaining the need for a rate increase. He asked Council members to consider the effects of this rate increase and to pursue other solutions before taking action on this Ordinance.

There being no other comments regarding Ordinance No. 15-58, Mayor Currin closed the public hearing at 7:43 p.m.

A public hearing was held for Ordinance No. 15-58.

B. [15-64](#) **A RESOLUTION APPROVING THE APPLICATION FOR PLACEMENT OF LAND IN A NEW AGRICULTURAL USE DISTRICT FOR PURPOSES OF O.R.C. 929.02 FOR JOHN E. AND SUSAN L. HAZENFIELD, 5457 STOW ROAD, HUDSON, OHIO.**

Executive Summary: Mr. and Mrs. Hazenfield have submitted the attached new Application for Placement of Farmland in an Agricultural District for their property on Stow Road.

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[Code Enforcement Memo 4-16-15](#)
[Resolution No. 15-64](#)

Mayor Currin opened the public hearing at 7:43 p.m.

Mr. John Hazenfield, 5457 Stow Road, spoke to Council, asking for their support of Resolution No. 15-64. He explained that he and his wife own a horse farm on this property, and they are in the process of selling it.

Mr. Greg Garwood, 5618 Humelsine Drive, said that he lives adjacent to the subject property, and he expressed concerns regarding the potential future property owner and possible issues concerning drainage, noise, and odors. He said that he did not have any problems with how the current property owners have operated the farm until now. Mayor

Currin urged Mr. Garwood to contact the Community Development Department for additional information.

Mr. John Hazenfield said that he has never had any complaints from neighbors in the years he has owned the farm. He said that the land is zoned as District 1, and that he could sell it for a potential housing development but prefers to sell it as a horse farm.

There being no other comments regarding Ordinance No. 15-64, Mayor Currin closed the public hearing at 7:49 p.m.

A public hearing was held for Ordinance No. 15-64.

8. Public Comments

None.

9. Correspondence and Council Comments

Mr. Hanink thanked all community volunteers who pitched in to help beautify the parks on Saturday, May 2, 2015, during Community Service Day.

Mr. Basil thanked Ms. Howington for her participation and assistance in the Ward 2 Open Forum held on April 27, 2015.

10. Report of Manager

Ms. Howington applauded Hudson Community First for coordinating Community Service Day on May 2, 2015.

She announced that a "Bike and Brainstorm" will be held on May 9, 2015, which will provide an opportunity for community members to express their opinions regarding bicycling. She noted that City Council members have a prior commitment during this time and will not be able to attend.

Ms. Howington said that the draft Comprehensive Plan Report will be available soon, the City will have an open house in early June to receive public input and answer questions, and City Council will discuss the matter during a July workshop before it is sent to the Planning Commission for review and recommendation. She expected that Council will consider the Planning Commission's recommendation in August.

11. Presentations

A. [15-0060](#)

Recognition of Hudson Public Power Receiving the American Public Power Associations (APPA) RP3 (Reliable Public Power Provider) Designation.

Executive Summary: The Hudson Public Power Division has been consistently striving towards achieving the APPA RP3 designation. Over the past four years, HPP staff has been working diligently to meet requirements in best management practices, safety management training and implementation, as well as electric system maintenance and reliability improvements.

In April 2015, the Hudson Public Power Division received the APPA RP3 Gold membership. The following employees were instrumental in HPP receiving this significant award: Kevin Powell, Public Works Superintendent for Utilities; Russ Brunstetter, Assistant Superintendent; Dave Autz, Systems Supervisor; and Dave Griffith, Systems Supervisor.

Mr. Powell and Mr. Griffith accepted this award on behalf of all the hard-working employees at Hudson Public Power. Ms. Howington noted that out of 2,000 public power entities, Hudson Public Power is one of only 184 that have achieved this level of success. Mr. Hanink applauded Hudson Public Power employees for their hard work and diligent efforts in keeping the lights on, and Mayor Currin congratulated and thanked them on behalf of the Hudson community.

Mayor Currin read the staff report regarding this significant achievement and presented an APPA RP3 Award plaque to Hudson Public Power employees.

12. Appointments

A motion was made by Mr. DeSaussure, seconded by Mr. Basil, that Ms. Allyn Marzulla and Mr. Jim Seiple be appointed to the Architectural and Historic Board of Review for terms commencing on June 21, 2015 and expiring on June 20, 2019. The motion carried by the following vote:

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

13. Suspension of the Rules for the Consent Agenda

A motion was made by Mr. Wooldredge, seconded by Mr. Smith, to suspend the rules as provided in Section 220.03 of the Codified Ordinances to allow for passage of 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

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. Kelemen, Mr. Smith, Dr. Williams, Mr. Wooldredge, Mr. Basil, Mr. DeSaussure, and Mr. Hanink

A. [15-65](#)

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING ORDINANCE NO. 14-139 MAKING APPROPRIATIONS FOR THE CURRENT EXPENSES AND OTHER EXPENDITURES OF THE CITY OF HUDSON DURING THE FIRST QUARTER OF THE FISCAL YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 2015 BY MAKING ADDITIONAL AND/OR AMENDED APPROPRIATIONS.

Executive Summary: This Ordinance will amend the 2015 budget for additional and/or amended appropriations as listed in the attached Exhibit A.

Attachments: [Exhibit A - 1st Q Approp 2015 - Amended](#)
[Ordinance No. 15-65](#)

Ordinance No. 15-65 was approved on the Consent Agenda.

B. [15-67](#)

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER TO ENTER INTO A CONTRACTUAL AGREEMENT WITH THE CITY OF SOLON FOR JAIL SERVICES FOR CITY OF HUDSON PRISONERS; AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

Executive Summary: This resolution will allow the Stow Municipal Court judges to give sentenced misdemeanants (for crimes committed in Hudson) jail time as is appropriate for certain offenses.

Attachments: [Resolution No. 15-67](#)

Resolution No. 15-67 was approved on the Consent Agenda.

14. Legislation

A. [15-43](#)

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING SUBSECTION (d)(2) OF SECTION 1205.09 OF THE LAND DEVELOPMENT CODE TO PERMIT THE PRINCIPAL PERMITTED USES IN ZONING DISTRICT 6 OF ASSISTED LIVING, CONTINUING CARE RETIREMENT COMMUNITY, AND INSTITUTIONAL RESIDENTIAL FOR THE ELDERLY AND HANDICAPPED TO BE LOCATED ON LOTS FRONTING ON AND/OR LOCATED NORTH OF BOSTON MILLS ROAD IN DISTRICT 6.

Executive Summary: The amendment would allow these uses in the only remaining developable land in District 6.

Attachments: [20150413 PC Decision](#)
[Zoning Map](#)
[District 6 North of Boston Mills](#)
[Ordinance No. 15-43](#)
[Ordinance No. 15-43 \(as amended\)](#)

Mayor Currin read the title of Resolution No. 15-43 (as amended), which constituted its second reading, and he said that a public hearing is scheduled on May 19, 2015.

B. [15-51](#)

AN ORDINANCE VACATING THE UNIMPROVED RIGHT-OF-WAY KNOWN AS GLENGARY DRIVE.

Executive Summary: The legislation would remove this “paper” street and deed the land to the adjoining property owners.

Attachments: [Vicinity Map](#)
 [PC Decision 3-9-2015](#)
 [Proposed Plat](#)
 [1930 Lake Forest Subdivision](#)
 [PC Staff Report](#)
 [Ordinance No. 15-51](#)

A motion was made by Mr. Wooldredge, seconded by Dr. Williams, that Ordinance No. 15-51 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

C. [15-58](#)

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Mayor Currin read the title of Ordinance No. 15-58, which constituted its second reading.

D. [15-59](#)

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING SECTION 1480.01 OF THE BUILDING AND HOUSING CODE TO ADOPT THE 2015 EDITION OF THE INTERNATIONAL PROPERTY MAINTENANCE CODE AND DECLARING AND EMERGENCY.

Executive Summary: The legislation would replace the 2003 version specified in the Codified Ordinances with the most recent edition of the International Property Maintenance Code.

Attachments: [Ordinance No. 15-59](#)

Mayor Currin read the title of Ordinance No. 15-59, which constituted its second reading.

- E. [15-62](#) **A RESOLUTION AMENDING SECTION 7 “ROADWAY,” AND SECTION 10 “ELECTRICAL REQUIREMENTS,” OF THE ENGINEERING STANDARDS FOR INFRASTRUCTURE CONSTRUCTION.**

Executive Summary: Sections 7 and 10 of the City of Hudson Engineering Standards for Infrastructure Construction were last updated in 2001. Staff would like to update these sections to reflect various changes that have occurred since 2001.

Attachments: [Section 7 - DRAFT Revisions \(4-14-15 Workshop\)](#)
 [Section 10 - DRAFT Revisions \(4-14-15 Workshop\)](#)
 [Section 7 - FINAL Revisions](#)
 [Section 10 - FINAL Revisions](#)
 [Resolution No. 15-62](#)

Mayor Currin read the title of Ordinance No. 15-62, which constituted its second reading.

- F. [15-63](#) **AN ORDINANCE AMENDING AND REPEALING VARIOUS SECTIONS OF CHAPTER 474 OF THE TRAFFIC CODE THAT REGULATE THE USE OF BICYCLES WITHIN THE CITY OF HUDSON.**

Executive Summary: This Ordinance has been prepared at Mr. DeSaussure’s request.

Attachments: [Ordinance No. 15-63](#)

Mayor Currin read the title of Ordinance No. 15-63, which constituted its second reading.

- G. [15-64](#) **A RESOLUTION APPROVING THE APPLICATION FOR PLACEMENT OF LAND IN A NEW AGRICULTURAL USE DISTRICT FOR PURPOSES OF O.R.C. 929.02 FOR JOHN E. AND SUSAN L. HAZENFIELD, 5457 STOW ROAD, HUDSON, OHIO.**

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Mayor Currin read the title of Resolution No. 15-64, which constituted its first reading.

- H. [15-66](#) **AN ORDINANCE ESTABLISHING THE RESIDENTIAL DEVELOPMENT ALLOCATION FOR THE 2015-2016 ANNUAL ALLOCATION PERIOD UNDER SECTION 1211.07 OF THE CODIFIED ORDINANCES.**
Executive Summary: This Ordinance would establish the Annual Growth Management Allocation at 240 for the 2015-2016 allocation period as recommended by the City Manager and Planning Commission.
Attachments: [Exec. Summary - Annual Review Report](#)
[GM Annual Review Report](#)
[20150413 PC Decision](#)
[Ordinance No. 15-66](#)

Mayor Currin read the title of Ordinance No. 15-66, which constituted its first reading and said that a public hearing is scheduled on May 19, 2015.

15. Executive Session

A motion was made by Mr. DeSaussure, seconded by Mr. Wooldredge, to enter into executive session to discuss pending litigation. Mayor Currin recessed the meeting at 8:08 p.m. after 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 reconvened the meeting at 9:40 p.m.

16. Adjournment

There being no further business, Mayor Currin adjourned the Council meeting at 9:40 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.