

Willard, Ohio
February 4, 2019

The Council of the City of Willard met in regular session on Monday, February 4, 2019 with the Council President calling the meeting to order. The meeting was opened with the Pledge of Allegiance.

ROLL CALL: Daniel, Gerber, Johnson, Olson and Sattig were present. Danhoff and Elmlinger were absent.

MINUTES:

Minutes of the Work Session held on January 22, 2019 at 6:00 p.m. prior to the regular meeting were presented for approval. In that copies of these minutes were furnished to each Council person prior to the meeting, there was no request they be read. Moved by Olson seconded by Daniel that minutes be approved as received. In a called vote, Daniel, Gerber, Johnson, Olson and Sattig voted yea. Motion carried.

Minutes of the Regular Council meeting held on January 22, 2019 were presented for approval. In that copies of these minutes were furnished to each Council person prior to the meeting, there was no request they be read. Sattig requested a correction in the minutes, he was listed as making motion that Mary Ann Sellers be reappointed to City Development Commission, this was Olson. Moved by Olson seconded by Daniel that minutes be approved as corrected. In a called vote, Daniel, Gerber, Johnson, Olson and Sattig voted yea. Motion carried.

CITIZENS DISCUSSION:

We had a time of recognition for Greg Hartz who is retiring from the Fire Department after 45 years of service. There were a number of family members and Fire and Rescue Department members present in honor of him.

Mayor Daniel read the following Proclamation and then gave it to Captain Greg Hartz:

PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS, Captain Gregory Hartz retired on January 20, 2019 after nearly 44 continuous years' service as a volunteer/part-time firefighter and medic for the Willard Fire and Rescue Department; and

WHEREAS, Greg has always put the greater good of the department and community ahead of personal considerations; and

WHEREAS, over his years of public service, Greg has displayed the highest example of character, ethics, morals, and unselfish service; and

WHEREAS, Greg has acted as a confidant to many and has become a mentor and trusted advisor to both chiefs and newer, younger staff; and

WHEREAS, Greg has earned the admiration of those with whom he has come into contact, and the affection of his fellow public servants who are proud to call him "friend"; and

WHEREAS, the department and community will miss the leadership and dedication demonstrated by Captain Hartz; and

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Joe Daniel, Mayor of the City of Willard, Ohio, express my deepest gratitude for Gregory Hartz' countless contributions and exemplary service to the Willard Fire and Rescue Department and our community.

Set forth by my hand on this date, the 4th Day of February 2019.

Joe Daniel, Mayor

This was followed by a standing ovation.

BID PROPOSALS: None

SPECIAL ORDER OF BUSINESS: None

1. **Committee List** Gerber had talked with Neil Lydy and he said he was willing to do another 4-year term on City Development Commission. Moved by Gerber seconded by Olson that Neil Lydy be reappointed to the City Development Commission. In a called vote, Daniel, Gerber, Johnson, Olson and Sattig voted yea. Motion carried. Neil Lydy is reappointed for another 4-year term.

Gerber had talked with Nancy Eden and she said that she would do another 3-year term on Personnel Merit Board. Moved by Gerber seconded by Olson that Nancy Eden be reappointed to the Personnel Merit Board. In a called vote, Daniel, Gerber, Johnson, Olson and Sattig voted yea. Motion carried. Nancy Eden is reappointed for another 3-year term.

We still need to find a replacement for Dan McElhatten on the Zoning Board of Appeals and the City Tree Commission.

COMMUNICATIONS AND PETITIONS: None

TABLED ITEMS: None

REPORTS FROM COMMITTEES:

1. **Charter/Legislative-Danhoff, Gerber**
2. **Finance-Gerber, Sattig**
3. **Public Works-Daniel, Elmlinger**
4. **Safety-Elmlinger**
5. **Utilities-Danhoff, Daniel**

REPORTS FROM OFFICERS: None

REPORT FROM CITY MANAGER:

City Manager reported that one of our police officers got a lead which the department followed up on. This led to an arrest of 6 people on drug charges.

One of our persons at the Water Plant is retiring and going on permanent disability. We will be advertising for a person and will make this person licensed for the Water and Sewer Plant so that they can help out at either location.

There has been a significant decrease in revenue for January. At this point there is no cause for alarm, but we will be looking at a reason for this, as well as curbing some spending until we are back where we need to be. We will also be looking at budget items that we can put on hold for now, making sure we are sticking close to budget or below on our spending, watching spending on extras, looking at projects scheduled for this year, etc.

Council requested to accept the following donations to benefit the Clock Tower project: \$100 check from Valarie J. Bogner in memory of Aiden James, \$200 check from the sale of books, \$150 check including a contribution from Nancy Fink, \$100 check from Curtis and Janet Cok and \$600 cash from Don and Shirley Leininger.

Council requested to accept the following donation to benefit the Military Memorial Fund: \$3,105.47 check from Willard Moose #2153.

Council is also requested to accept a donation from Willard Moose Lodge #2153 of \$1,041.36 to the Police Taser Project. With this donation, the goal has been reached to acquire the state of the art tasers for our police officers. Willard Firelands Moose #2153 has donated nearly \$12,000 to this project. Sometime in the near future, we will publicly recognize the Willard Firelands Moose Lodge for their continued support over the years. We are very appreciative of their leadership and all they do for us.

Moved by Olson seconded by Daniel that these donations be accepted by Council. In a called vote, Daniel, Gerber, Johnson, Olson and Sattig voted yea. Motion carried.

Johnson asked if we knew about how many people have used the ice-skating rink. City Manager said he would say 30 to 40 people have. He believes there could be more if we had skates available and if the weather was more cooperative.

ORDINANCES & RESOLUTIONS:

ORDINANCE NO. 5817-19

AN ORDINANCE APPROVING THE EDITING AND INCLUSION OF CERTAIN ORDINANCES AS PARTS OF THE VARIOUS COMPONENT CODES OF THE CODIFIED ORDINANCES; PROVIDING FOR THE ADOPTION OF NEW MATTER IN THE UPDATED AND REVISED CODIFIED ORDINANCES; PROVIDING FOR THE PUBLICATION OF SUCH NEW MATTER; AND REPEALING ORDINANCES AND RESOLUTIONS IN CONFLICT THEREWITH, AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY, was presented by the Council President for its first reading by title only. Ordinance was read by the Clerk.

Moved by Olson seconded by Daniel that this Ordinance be declared an emergency measure, and the rule requiring the Ordinance to lay over for at least 7 days or until the next regular meeting of Council be waived. In a called vote therein Daniel, Gerber, Johnson, Olson and Sattig voted yea. Motion carried.

Moved by Olson seconded by Daniel that the Ordinance be adopted. In a called vote, Daniel, Gerber, Johnson, Olson and Sattig voted yea. Motion carried.

COUNCIL/MAYOR COMMENTS: Mayor Daniel – shared with Chief Chaffins who was present at the meeting that several people in the community have expressed to him their appreciation of the work our Police Dept. is doing in the fight against drugs; Gerber – also expressed appreciation for the work of our Police Dept.; also, appreciated them showing up for 3 fake alarms, working to get that fixed! Johnson – also commended the Police Dept. for their work, but expressed we can't think we are done and let our guard down but need to continue fighting the fight.

Moved by Olson seconded by Daniel that Council adjourn. In a called vote Daniel, Gerber, Johnson, Olson and Sattig voted yea. Motion carried.

President

Clerk of Council