

Willard, Ohio
January 2, 2018

The Council of the City of Willard, Ohio met in regular session on January 2, 2018, with the Clerk of Council calling the meeting to order. The meeting was opened with prayer by Pastor Luigi Perez, Grace UMC.

The Law Director gave the Oath of Office to the four Ward Council people who will take office at this meeting: Joseph Daniel, Charles Danhoff, David Sattig and Michael Elmlinger. They were elected at the November 7th municipal election for a 4 yr. term.

Roll Call: Danhoff, Daniel, Elmlinger, Gerber, Johnson, Olson and Sattig present.

Mr. Gerber nominated James Johnson as President of Council. Moved by Gerber seconded by Daniel that nominations be closed and a unanimous ballot be cast for Mr. Johnson. In a called vote therein Danhoff, Daniel, Elmlinger, Gerber, Olson and Sattig voted yea. Johnson abstained. Motion carried.

Johnson took over the meeting.

Mrs. Olson nominated Michael Elmlinger as President of Council Pro Tem. Moved by Olson seconded by Daniel that nominations be closed and a unanimous ballot be cast for Mr. Elmlinger. In a called vote therein Danhoff, Daniel, Elmlinger, Gerber, Olson and Sattig voted yea. Elmlinger abstained. Motion carried, Mr. Elmlinger elected President of Council Pro Tem.

Mrs. Olson nominated Mrs. Teresa Arnold as Clerk of Council. Moved by Olson seconded by Elmlinger that nominations be closed and a unanimous ballot be cast for Mrs. Arnold. In a called vote therein Danhoff, Daniel, Elmlinger, Gerber, Johnson, Olson and Sattig voted yea. Motion carried, Mrs. Arnold elected Clerk of Council.

Mrs. Olson nominated Bridget Tipton for Clerk of Council Pro Tem. Moved by Olson seconded by Elmlinger that nominations be closed and a unanimous ballot be cast for Mrs. Tipton. In a called vote therein Danhoff, Daniel, Elmlinger, Gerber, Johnson, Olson, and Sattig voted yea. Motion carried, Mrs. Tipton elected Clerk of Council Pro Tem.

Mr. Gerber nominated Mr. Joseph Daniel as Mayor. Moved by Gerber seconded by Danhoff that nominations be closed and a unanimous ballot be cast for Mr. Daniel. In a called vote, Danhoff, Elmlinger, Gerber, Johnson, Olson and Sattig voted yea. Daniel abstained. Motion carried, Mr. Joseph Daniel elected Mayor.

Mr. Sattig nominated Mr. Charles Danhoff for Vice Mayor. Moved by Sattig seconded by Olson that nominations be closed and a unanimous ballot be cast for Mr. Danhoff. In a called vote therein Daniel, Elmlinger, Gerber, Johnson, Olson and Sattig voted yea. Danhoff abstained. Motion carried, Mr. Danhoff was elected as Vice Mayor.

At this time the Law Director administered the Oath of Office to the above parties.

MINUTES: Minutes of the Council meeting held December 18, 2017 were presented for approval. In that copies of the minutes were furnished each Councilperson prior to the meeting, there was no request they be read. Moved by Elmlinger seconded by Gerber that they be approved as presented. In a called vote therein Danhoff, Daniel, Elmlinger, Gerber, Johnson, Olson and Sattig voted yea. Motion carried.

CITIZENS DISCUSSION:

Past President Diana Olson read a Proclamation for outgoing Mayor Todd Shininger:

PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS, Mayor Todd Shininger has faithfully and conscientiously served the City of Willard and its citizens as its Mayor for twenty years and on Council for 28 years and is deserving of this special recognition by the City of Willard, Ohio, for his many contributions, and,

WHEREAS, Mayor Todd Shininger also served as Chamber Director for 19 years during which period of time numerous projects were initiated through his leadership which will continue to have a revitalization and growing impact on the City of Willard and,

WHEREAS, these years of service have been marked by exemplary dedication to the best interest of the community, and he has worked constantly for the betterment of its economic, cultural and aesthetic development; and

WHEREAS, Mayor Todd Shininger has earned the admiration and high regard of those with whom he has come into contact and of his fellow public servants;

WHEREAS, the citizens of our Community wish to join together to express our sincere appreciation and thanks, as well as that of our citizens, to Mayor Shininger, for his distinguished service to the City of Willard.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Diana Olson, City Council President of the City of Willard, Ohio, do hereby extend, on behalf of the Willard community, our heartfelt Congratulations and Best Wishes to Mayor Todd Shininger.

Set forth by my hand on this date, the 2nd day of January, 2018.

Diana M. Olson
City Council President

BID PROPOSALS: None

SPECIAL ORDER OF BUSINESS:

1. **City Development Commission** – need to appoint Robert Benfer for another 4 year term or someone else to fill this term. Benfer was contacted by Council and agreed to another term.
2. **Personnel Merit Board**, one member's, Van Ramsay, term was up. Elmlinger had talked with Ramsay, he is willing to serve another term.
3. **Personnel Appeals Board** – Council members had spoken with the members of this Board and they were all interested in staying on and keeping the same members.
4. **Board of Review on Income Tax** – City Manager said he had spoken with Mrs. Renee Steinmetz, and she was willing to serve another term. Council had contacted Randy Wagner and David Frye, they were both willing to served another term.
5. **City Tree Commission** – Sattig currently Council Representative, said he would serve another one year term. Ludban had talked with Karen Shellhammer and she did not want to serve another 3 year term. Ludban presented Alan Babcock for appointment to the City Tree Commission.

Moved by Elmlinger seconded by Olson that above appointments be approved by Council. In a called vote, Danhoff, Daniel, Elmlinger, Gerber, Johnson, Olson and Sattig voted yea. Motion carried.

6. **Zoning Board of Appeals** – need to appoint 5 members to Board serving a two year term. Mr. Daniel is still waiting to hear from Mrs. Rhonda Dickerson for Ward I. Mr. Danhoff had not yet spoken to Mr. Robert Owens. Mr. David Hirschy is not interested in serving another term for Ward III, do not have a replacement. Mr. Elmlinger reappointed Mr. Andy Reiderman for Ward IV. Gerber, Johnson and Olson voted yea for Mr. Andy Reiderman. Motion carried. Wards I, II and III will have to be filled at a later date. Mr. Gerber moved to appoint Nick Kousma as At-Large member. Danhoff, Daniel, Elmlinger and Sattig voted yea. Motion carried. Nick Kousma will serve another 2 year term.

Other appointments will be made at a later date.

Council committee members will be appointed at the January 16th meeting.

COMMUNICATIONS & PETITIONS: None

CITY MANAGER'S REPORT: The City Manager reviewed his report as presented in Council packets.

Crews reported a water line break about 4:30 p.m. today, they will get line shut down and work on repairing it tomorrow in the day light.

Would like to invite everyone to stay for coffee and cake in honor of Mayor Todd Shininger's retirement following the meeting.

City Manager asked for acceptance of two donations, \$10,000 from Donald M. Graham & Associates and \$4,000 from book sales. Moved by Olson seconded by Gerber that donations be accepted and designated to the Willard Clock Tower Fund. In a called vote, Danhoff, Daniel, Elmlinger, Gerber, Johnson, Olson and Sattig voted yea. Motion carried.

Elmlinger asked if we have more salt coming. Ludban said we do.

Gerber reported that he had complaints about snow plowing over the weekend and asked City Manager to check into it.

Council set a Work Session for Monday, January 22nd at 6:00 p.m.

ORDINANCES AND RESOLUTIONS:

ORDINANCE NO.

AN ORDINANCE TO APPROPRIATE FUNDS IN THE ISSUE I FUND IN THE AMOUNT OF SEVENTY-NINE THOUSAND, EIGHT HUNDRED SEVENTEEN DOLLARS (\$79,817.00) AND TO AMEND THE 2018 ANNUAL APPROPRIATIONS IN THE SAME AMOUNT IN ORDER TO RECORD PAYMENTS MADE DIRECTLY TO CONTRACTORS IN 2017 BY THE OHIO PUBLIC WORKS COMMISSION, was presented by Council President for its first reading by title only. This was done by the Council Clerk.

ORDINANCE NO.

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING ORDINANCE 5776-17 AND FIXING THE WAGES OF CERTAIN CITY OFFICIALS, FIRE DEPARTMENT PERSONNEL, AND OTHER CITY EMPLOYEES, AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY, was presented by Council President for its first reading by title only. This was done by the Council Clerk.

Moved by Elmlinger seconded by Danhoff 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 Danhoff, Daniel, Elmlinger, Gerber, Johnson, Olson and Sattig voted yea. Motion carried.

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

RESOLUTION NO. 2459-18

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER, CITY OF WILLARD, OHIO, TO ADVERTISE FOR BIDS FOR PURCHASE OF MATERIALS, SUPPLIES, INSURANCE, EQUIPMENT AND SERVICES, FOR USE BY THE CITY OF WILLARD FOR THE CALENDAR YEAR 2018, was presented by the Council President for its first reading by title only. Resolution was read by the Clerk.

Moved by Elmlinger seconded by Gerber that the rules be suspended and the Resolution adopted on its first reading. In a called vote, Danhoff, Daniel, Elmlinger, Gerber, Johnson, Olson and Sattig voted yea. Motion carried.

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

COUNCIL/MAYOR COMMENTS:

Mayor Shininger thanked Council for Council's support and allowing him to serve Willard as Mayor; Olson – congratulations to Mr. Shininger on his retirement and thanked him for his years of service; Elmlinger – thanked Mr. Shininger for all of his years of serving Willard; Gerber – asked about air quality at Waste Water plant that Scott mentioned in his report, CM said it is a long standing problem that they have been working on and continue to work on, does not cause a hazard; asked about snow plowing on US Rt. 224, needs cleaned up some in the center; Johnson – thanked Council for appointing him President, will try to maintain standards that have preceded him, thanked Shininger for his years of serving the community.

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

President of Council

Clerk of Council