

Willard, Ohio
January 4, 2021

The Council of the City of Willard, Ohio met in regular session on Monday, January 4, 2021, with the President of Council Pro Tem calling the meeting to order. The meeting was opened with prayer by Sister Diane Hay, Mercy Willard.

Roll Call: Babcock, Danhoff, Daniel, Johnson, Olson and Sattig present. Elmlinger was absent.

MINUTES: Minutes of the Council meeting held December 21, 2020 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 Olson seconded by Danhoff that they be approved as received. In a called vote therein Babcock, Danhoff, Daniel, Johnson, Olson and Sattig voted yea. Motion carried.

CITIZENS DISCUSSION: None

BID PROPOSALS: None

SPECIAL ORDER OF BUSINESS:

1. **Zoning Board of Appeals** ~ Mr. Sattig said Mr. David Smith has agreed to serve on the Zoning Board of Appeals. Olson moved to approve appointment. In a called vote, Babcock, Johnson and Olson voted yea. Motion carried.
2. **City Tree Commission** ~ this committee is still short one member. Olson said Linda Montgomery would complete Linda Veletean's term which ends January 2023. Jim Ebert will serve another 3-year term. Olson moved that Linda Montgomery and Jim Ebert be appointed to the City Tree Commission. In a called vote, Babcock, Danhoff, Daniel, Johnson, Olson and Sattig voted yea. Motion carried. One more person is still needed for this committee.

COMMUNICATIONS & PETITIONS: None

TABLED ITEMS: None

REPORTS FROM COMMITTEES:

1. **Charter/Legislative – Danhoff, Johnson**
2. **Finance – Johnson, Olson, Sattig**
3. **Public Works – Babcock, Daniel**
4. **Safety – Babcock, Daniel, Olson**
5. **Utilities – Danhoff, Daniel, Olson**

REPORTS FROM OFFICERS: There is no report for this meeting. However, Sattig asked Finance Director if she had anything to report or share. Huff said she would like to share that we were up and running with our new insurance and she is very impressed with our new Administrator and Representative and the people she has worked with so far. This is a nationwide network, where Medical Mutual was mostly Ohio.

CITY MANAGER'S REPORT:

ORDINANCES AND RESOLUTIONS:

Everyone on City staff that is dealing with COVID is doing well, nobody with any complications.

Fire Chief has reported a significant increase in EMS calls and mutual aid calls. Believe this increase could be due to COVID-19. This does put a strain on our department. Chief Reiderman has informed surrounding departments that they will do their best but cannot always be available for mutual aid.

Cares Act Money deadline did get extended for another year, so that will enable us to get that money spent.

Christmas lights and decorations, we are starting to take all of those down.

Council requested to accept donation from Mayor Joe Daniel to go to the Veterans memorial Fund.

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

COUNCIL/MAYOR COMMENTS:

Olson – just wanted to express again the many comments she has received about the Festival of Lights, people really appreciated them; Johnson – concern about EMS assisting neighboring communities, City Manager said he does not see us doing this on a regular basis at this time; diversity committee, how is this going? City Manger did not attend last meeting, Finance Director did, she reported that they spent a lot of time discussing concerns as to how the City handles different things. Biggest concern was communication, but Lori was not sure how to improve this. Daniel – appreciate the City employees and others that volunteered their time for Wreaths Across America; Johnson – again, the Festival of Lights was a great and positive thing.

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

President of Council

Clerk of Council