

Willard, Ohio  
July 19, 2021

The Council of the City of Willard, Ohio met in regular session on Monday, July 19, 2021, with the President of Council calling the meeting to order. The meeting was opened with prayer by Pastor Steve McKnight, CMA.

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

**MINUTES:** Minutes of the Council meeting held July 6, 2021, 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. Olson requested that her name be removed for making a motion as she was not present, Clerk will take care of. Moved by Olson seconded by Danhoff that they be approved as corrected. In a called vote therein Babcock, Danhoff, Daniel, Elmlinger, Johnson, Olson and Sattig voted yea. Motion carried.

**CITIZENS DISCUSSION:** None

**BID PROPOSALS:** None

**SPECIAL ORDER OF BUSINESS:**

1. **Public hearing** for Ordinance INCREASING THE SALARY OF MEMBERS OF COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WILLARD, OHIO. There were no comments oral or written, for or against the Ordinance received by the Clerk or Council members. There were no citizens present to voice any comment. It is listed below for its Final Reading.

**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:** Finance Report for June 2021 was presented by Finance Director. Moved by Olson seconded by Danhoff that Council accepts the Finance Director's report for June 2021. In a called vote, Babcock, Danhoff, Daniel, Elmlinger, Johnson, Olson and Sattig voted yea. Motion carried.

**CITY MANAGER REPORT:**

Tree Commission meets tomorrow night at 5:00 p.m.

The next scheduled food giveaway is Wednesday, July 28<sup>th</sup> from 3:00-5:00 pm at the Willard City Park. There will also be a walk-up site at Keefer Street Park.

Concerts in the park continue tomorrow evening with a local group, Drew Allen. Next week will be the band Sandtown, a variety band from Sandusky.

US 224 Force Main cleaning took place July 6<sup>th</sup> and 7<sup>th</sup>. During the event, only 4 of the 5 "pigs" were able to be sent through the line due to a portion of pipe near the end of the cleaning being in poor condition. We are currently getting quotes to replace this line, will look at whether we can do it in house or will need to hire a contractor.

An old water line in the intersection of Keefer and Spring Street was recently replaced. The waterline only fed the fire hydrant at this intersection. The line ruptured last month and was patched; however, due to the age of the line, it was decided to replace the rest of the line before putting new asphalt over a vulnerable old waterline. This intersection is now included in the 2021 Street Resurfacing Program.

Columbia Gas (NiSource) work has slowed down recently due to the heavy amounts of rainfall that we have had. All the mainlines that were scheduled to be replaced have been done with 80 service lines still needing to be replaced. Rain has also slowed down restoration; however, they still hope to be completed by mid-August.

American Rescue Act Funds. The State of Ohio has recently opened the online portal for the cities under 50,000 residents to request their allotted funds. The initial estimate we received by the Federal Government estimated that we would be receiving 1.3 million dollars; unfortunately, they forgot to include townships in their count. Thus, our total has been revised and we will be receiving an estimated number of \$630,000. Half or \$315,000 will be distributed this year and the other half at least 12 months after receiving the first distribution. This money must be spent by 2026.

The Village of Plymouth abruptly lost their Operator of Record for their water system, which is required by the Ohio EPA. Following the Memorandum of Understanding signed in 2020, we have agreed to help them out for three weeks, giving them time to hire a new Operator of Record. We are only providing the minimum requirements for their system, a total of 3 visits totaling 1 ½ hours a week.

Our Fire Department recently received a grant from the Ohio Division of Emergency Medical Services for \$4,226.14. This money will be used to provide E.M.S. equipment such as I.V. pumps.

We began offering swim lessons July 11<sup>th</sup> with a total of 95 students enrolled. Two rain out days will be made up this week.

City properties have been advertised to be sold by sealed bid on August 12<sup>th</sup> at 12:30 p.m.

We will be testing for the Income Tax Clerk on July 28<sup>th</sup>, we have people that have applied to take the test.

Mosquito spraying has begun

Council requested to accept the following donations

\$10,000 from the Willard Moose and \$100 from Don and Shirley Leininger towards the Clock Tower Fund;

\$500 from Mayor Joe Daniel towards the General Fund for the Police Department;

\$331.31 from the Willard Moose towards the Decoration Fund;

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

#### **ORDINANCES AND RESOLUTIONS:**

##### **ORDINANCE NO. 5893-21**

AN ORDINANCE INCREASING THE SALARY OF MEMBERS OF COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WILLARD, OHIO, was presented by Council President for its final reading by title only. This was done by the Council Clerk.

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

##### **RESOLUTION NO. 2530-21**

A RESOLUTION DETERMINING EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT SERVICE FOR THE CITY OF WILLARD, was presented by Council President for its first reading by title only. This was done by the Clerk.

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

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

**COUNCIL/MAYOR COMMENTS:**

Mayor – thank you for the color police reports, appreciate that; thank you for getting the pot holes in the alley; thank you to the City team that participated in the golf outing; Babcock – would like to thank Bryson, I had some concerns and he got me the answers that I needed; Olson – nothing, thank you; Danhoff – nothing; Sattig – nothing.

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

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President of Council

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Clerk of Council