

Willard, Ohio
June 15, 2020

The Council of the City of Willard, Ohio met in regular session on June 15, 2020, with the President of Council calling the meeting to order. The meeting was opened with prayer by Pastor Janet Wittenmyer, Trinity Lutheran.

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

MINUTES: Minutes of the Council meeting held June 1, 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, Elmlinger, Johnson, Olson and Sattig voted yea. Motion carried.

CITIZENS DISCUSSION: None

BID PROPOSALS: None

SPECIAL ORDER OF BUSINESS:

1. **Public Hearing** for Ordinance PROVIDING FOR THE ISSUANCE AND SALE OF NOTES IN THE PRINCIPAL AMOUNT OF \$864,500 IN ANTICIPATION OF THE ISSUANCE OF BONDS, FOR THE PURPOSE OF (i) PAYING COSTS OF THE REFUNDING IN OCTOBER, 2009, OF ALL OF THE CITY'S FIRE TRUCK BONDS WHICH WERE ISSUED FOR THE PURPOSE OF PAYING A PORTION OF THE COST OF ACQUIRING A LADDER FIRE TRUCK, (ii) PAYING A PORTION OF THE COST OF IMPROVING THE MUNICIPAL WASTEWATER SYSTEM BY RENOVATING AND IMPROVING THE WASTEWATER TREATMENT PLANT, AND OTHERWISE IMPROVING THAT SYSTEM (iii) ACQUIRING A FIRE TRUCK, AND (iv) ACQUIRING A LIFE SQUAD AMBULANCE WITH LIFT ASSIST, INCLUDING RELATED EQUIPMENT AND APPARATUS, ALL TOGETHER WITH THE NECESSARY APPURTENANCES THERETO. There were no comments oral or written, for or against the proposed Ordinance received by the Clerk or Council members. There were no citizens present to voice their concerns. Ordinance 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 Director ~ Lori Huff has a letter to send to Mr. Dave Thompson, CPA, Chief of Local Government Services, respectfully requesting a 30-day extension beyond the June 29th, 2020 deadline in the filing of our Basic Financial Statements (BFS) in accordance with Generally Accepted Accounting Principles (GAAP) for the year ended December 31, 2019. Additional time is needed to thoroughly complete the City's 2019 BFS. Moved by Olson seconded by Danhoff approval of Finance Director's letter and request. Finance Director needs the signature of Council President also.

Moved by Olson seconded by Danhoff that Finance Director's report for May 2020 be approved and placed on file. In a called vote, Babcock, Danhoff, Daniel, Elmlinger, Johnson, Olson and Sattig voted yea. Motion passed.

City Manager's Report:

Our employees continue to remain healthy. Willard does at this time have three hot spots, 1 business outside of town, 1 business in town and a neighborhood.

Swimming pool is scheduled to open Wednesday, June 17 and will be open 5 days per week ~ Sunday, Monday, Wednesday, Thursday and Friday. Hours will be 1:00-3:30 and 4:00-6:30 allowing staff to sanitize between sessions. Pickleball courts are open and the playgrounds are now open.

Our tentative plan for July 4th is a parade at 7:00 pm, followed by a concert with food trucks and ending with fireworks.

Beginning Monday, June 8th the traffic light at Main Street and Laurel Street will be activated. On Monday, June 15th the downtown lights will be activated. All will go to flashing from 8:00 pm to 8:00 am.

There will be another food giveaway on June 23rd.

Ashland Railway has fixed the crossing on St. Rt. 99.

R. A. Bores has been hired to complete the patching of the waterline trench on Euclid St. for \$25,915.

Police and fire calls are down approximately 30%, however with warmer weather they are starting to see a slight increase.

Police Dept. is reviewing and updating their policies.

Received reports of people leaving dog waste out at reservoir, discovered it is from the geese.

Chamber is looking at moving into Judges office in City Hall, will see how that works out.

Ohio EPA is telling Municipalities that as of July 10th they can start turning water off for nonpayment again. Interim City Manager asked what Council's wishes were on late fees? Council said they did not wish to reinstate the late fee at this time.

Council requested to accept donation from Joyce Ludban for \$200 and JoAnne Kaylor for \$200 to go to the Clock Tower Fund for a brick.

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

Sattig asked who was working on the Police Dept. policy? Interim City Manager said he is working with members of the Police Dept. and then will have it reviewed by the Law Director.

Johnson asked if there was going to be another rail put up for the new steps at the reservoir, Pomerich said no, the code only calls for one rail for that width of steps. Johnson also commented that he had talked with someone from another community about Tree City USA and they could not believe Willard has done it for 40 years. Willard should be proud of this accomplishment.

ORDINANCES AND RESOLUTIONS:

ORDINANCE NO. 5855-20

AN ORDINANCE PROVIDING FOR THE ISSUANCE AND SALE OF NOTES IN THE PRINCIPAL AMOUNT OF \$864,500 IN ANTICIPATION OF THE ISSUANCE OF BONDS, FOR THE PURPOSE OF (i) PAYING COSTS OF THE REFUNDING IN OCTOBER, 2009, OF ALL OF THE CITY'S FIRE TRUCK BONDS WHICH WERE ISSUED FOR THE PURPOSE OF PAYING A PORTION OF THE COST OF ACQUIRING A LADDER FIRE TRUCK, (ii) PAYING A PORTION OF THE COST OF IMPROVING THE MUNICIPAL WASTEWATER SYSTEM BY RENOVATING AND IMPROVING THE WASTEWATER TREATMENT PLANT, AND OTHERWISE IMPROVING THAT SYSTEM (iii) ACQUIRING A FIRE TRUCK, AND (iv) ACQUIRING A LIFE SQUAD AMBULANCE WITH LIFT ASSIST, INCLUDING RELATED EQUIPMENT AND APPARATUS, ALL TOGETHER WITH THE NECESSARY APPURTENANCES THERETO, was presented by Council President for its final reading by title only. This was done by the Clerk.

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

RESOLUTION NO. 2502-20

A RESOLUTION ALLOWING FOR CORONAVIRUS AID, RELIEF, AND ECONOMIC SECURITY ACT PURSUANT TO H. B. 481 DISTRIBUTION OF FUNDS, 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 NO. 2503-20

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.

COUNCIL/MAYOR COMMENTS:

There were no comments from the Mayor or Council.

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

President of Council

Clerk of Council