

Willard, Ohio
September 8, 2020

The Council of the City of Willard, Ohio met in regular session on Tuesday, September 8, 2020, with the President of Council calling the meeting to order. The meeting was opened with prayer by Sister Diane Hay, Mercy Willard.

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

MINUTES: Minutes of the Council meeting held August 17, 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:

- 1. 110 Center, sealed bid opening 8/25/20 @ 12:30 pm,** for 110 Center on Myrtle Avenue, there were 2 bidders, with Roger Donnhammer being the highest and best bid for this property, legislation to award this bid is listed below on the agenda.
- 2. 716 Park Street, sealed bid opening 8/25/20 @ 12:30 pm,** for 716 Park Street, there were 5 bidders, with Robert Fusco being the highest and best bid for this property, legislation to award this bid is listed below on the agenda.

SPECIAL ORDER OF BUSINESS:

- 1. Public Hearing** for Ordinance AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER TO ENTER INTO CONTRACT WITH PRECISION PAVING, INC., MILAN, OHIO, TO AWARD BID NO. 2020-02a FOR THE 2020 EUCLID STREET IMPROVEMENT PROJECT-OPWC, IN THE AMOUNT OF \$91,457.25. 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.
- 2. Public Hearing** for Ordinance ADDING SECTION 452.19 OF THE CODIFIED ORDINANCES OF THE CITY OF WILLARD, OHIO, REGARDING TRAILER AND BOAT PARKING. 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.
- 3. Public Hearing** for Ordinance AMENDING CHAPTER 1323 OF THE CODIFIED ORDINANCES OF THE CITY REGARDING THE PROPERTY MAINTENANCE CODE. 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** ~ *The Finance Committee met for the purpose of considering various methods of financing the water plant and associated water related issues. Committee met on Monday, August 28th @ 6:00 p.m. Complete minutes are on file in the Clerk of Council's office.*
- 3. Public Works – Babcock, Daniel**
- 4. Safety – Babcock, Daniel, Olson**
- 5. Utilities – Danhoff, Daniel, Olson**

REPORTS FROM OFFICERS: None

Executive Session: Moved by Olson seconded by Babcock that Council go into Executive Session to discuss Pending or Imminent Court Action. In a called vote Babcock, Daniel, Elmlinger, Johnson, Olson and Sattig voted yea. Council went into Executive Session at 7:05 pm. Council returned at 7:21 pm.

City Manager's Report:

Robert Fusco was the high bidder for the Park Street address at \$28,550, and Roger Donnamiiller was the high bidder for the Myrtle Avenue address at \$42,500. Pomerich asked that Council approve both bids and that they allow City Manager to enter into both contracts. They did realize that there was a parking lot also at 110 Center, we will have to go out on a separate bid for this since we did not include it with the original bid.

Pomerich passed out chart with current(current rates), ordinance rates(what is currently set for 2021) and proposed (changes) rates for 2021 for water, sewer and capital. City Engineer is currently working on reviewing these and preparing legislation for Council's approval. Also looking at lowering minimum from 2,000 gallons to 1,000 gallons. This would help our Senior citizens. Discussion on what rates they felt were needed.

The Willows at Willard Trilogy Independent Living Center had its Open House on September 3rd. The Villas at Willard are currently taking applications for their available units. Several units are already taken and have started moving in. Pomerich is impressed with these units and is grateful for the investment from the Willows at Willard and Mercy Hospital at Willard. This independent living option will serve a great need that our community has.

The Huron County Land Bank is seeking 123 Motson Street in Willard. This property has been vacant since July of 2017. It is the Land Bank's intention to sell this property to someone that will rehab this home, preferably back into a single family home.

The Diversity Council has scheduled its first meeting for September 10th at 4:30 pm. Currently have around ten people that have confirmed they will attend. Pomerich will be asking group to pick someone to lead this Council, wanting it to be community driven. City Manager, Finance Director and Police Chief will be a part of this group, and at least one of them will attend each meeting.

We have already received and used at least some COVID-19 funds, will be receiving more this week and possibly another in the future. Some of this will be used for Small Business Grants to businesses that apply in Willard. Huron County Development Council is helping us with that.

On August 27th City Manager received a Notice to Negotiate from each of the three Police Unions. We will begin these negotiations soon.

Sextons' Landscaping will be planting the new trees on Myrtle Avenue. We appreciate that Sexton's Landscaping has been very helpful to the City for several projects.

Council requested to accept donation from the Willard Firelands Lodge No. 2153 Loyal Order of the Moose for the amount of \$4,670.65 to go to the Recreation Fund.

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

Johnson asked if/and or when Burger King was going to complete their outside work.

Sattig made a motion to allow the Law Director to enter into agreement with Firelands Wind regarding the turbines as long as they won't negatively affect the flight patterns of the helicopters for the hospital. Seconded by Babcock. In a called vote, Babcock, Daniel, Elmlinger, Johnson, Olson and Sattig voted yea. Motion carried.

ORDINANCES AND RESOLUTIONS:

ORDINANCE NO. 5858-20

AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER TO ENTER INTO CONTRACT WITH PRECISION PAVING, INC., MILAN, OHIO, TO AWARD BID NO. 2020-02a FOR THE 2020 EUCLID STREET IMPROVEMENT PROJECT-OPWC, IN THE AMOUNT OF \$91,457.25, was presented by Council President for its final reading by title only. This was done by the Council Clerk.

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

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

ORDINANCE NO. 5859-20

AN ORDINANCE ADDING SECTION 452.19 OF THE CODIFIED ORDINANCES OF THE CITY OF WILLARD, OHIO, REGARDING TRAILER AND BOAT PARKING, was presented by Council President for its final reading by title only. This was done by the Council Clerk.

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

ORDINANCE NO. 5860-20

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 1323 OF THE CODIFIED ORDINANCES OF THE CITY REGARDING THE PROPERTY MAINTENANCE CODE, was presented by Council President for its first reading by title only. This was done by the Council Clerk.

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

ORDINANCE NO. 5861-20

AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE SALE OF 716 PARK AVENUE IN THE CITY OF WILLARD FOR \$28,500.00, AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY, was presented by Council President for its final reading by title only. This was done by the Council Clerk.

Moved by Olson seconded by Daniel that Ordinance be amended to read \$28,550.00, instead of \$28,500.00 as was typed within the Ordinance. In a called vote, Babcock, Daniel, Elmlinger, Johnson, Olson and Sattig voted yea. Motion carried.

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

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

ORDINANCE NO. 5862-20

AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE SALE OF 110 & 112 MYRTLE AVENUE IN THE CITY OF WILLARD FOR \$42,500.00, AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY, was presented by Council President for its final reading by title only. This was done by the Council Clerk.

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

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

RESOLUTION NO. 2509-20

A RESOLUTION ACCEPTING THE AMOUNTS AND RATES AS DETERMINED BY THE BUDGET COMMISSION AND AUTHORIZING THE NECESSARY TAX LEVIES AND CERTIFYING THEM TO THE COUNTY AUDITOR, was presented by Council President for its first reading by title only. This was done by the Clerk.

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

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

COUNCIL/MAYOR COMMENTS:

Mayor – congratulations to Dave Lillo on his retirement, we wish him the best; noticed the improvements that Jack Kousma has made to the property on E. Pearl, looks very nice; congratulations and thanks to Mr. Fusco for improving a property in Willard; thank you to the Maintenance crew and the work that they do. Babcock – a shout out to the Recreation Dept. for all their work. Johnson – would also like to thank Mr. Fusco; Sattig – felt Council would like administration to go ahead with water proposals; Elmlinger – would also like to thank Dave Lillo and wish him the best.

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

President of Council

Clerk of Council