

Canal Winchester

*Town Hall
10 North High Street
Canal Winchester, OH 43110*



Meeting Minutes - FINAL

October 5, 2020

6:00 PM

Council Work Session

*Mike Coolman - Chair
Jill Amos
Will Bennett
Bob Clark
Patrick Lynch
Chuck Milliken
Mike Walker*

A. Call To Order

Coolman called Work Session to order at 6:00 p.m.

B. Roll Call

Present 7 – Amos, Bennett, Clark, Coolman, Lynch, Milliken, Walker

C. Also In Attendance

Mayor Ebert, Matt Peoples, Lucas Haire, Amanda Jackson

D. Request for Council Action**RES-20-009**

Finance

A Resolution In Support Of Stormwater Awareness Week (**Resolution**)

- Request to move to full Council

Peoples: This is an annual resolution we do; storm water week is coming up in two weeks; we work with Franklin Water Reclamation District to promote our storm water program; we have compliance with the National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System through the Ohio EPA; just one of the public information and outreach programs that we have; we do a little bit of a social media campaign; we usually do it the same time Dick Miller does his tire sweep; just something to bring awareness.

A motion was made by Amos to move RES-20-009 to full Council, seconded by Bennett. The motion carried with the following vote:

Yes 7 – Amos, Bennett, Clark, Coolman, Lynch, Milliken, Walker

ORD-20-045

Public Service

An Ordinance To Authorize The Mayor To Enter Into Contracts With The Director Of Transportation Necessary To Replace Guardrail End Treatments (**Ordinance**)

- Request to move to full Council

Peoples: Thank you Mr. Coolman; ODOT has identified guardrail end treatments on State Route 664 that could be improved; there is a new standard that is safer; ODOT will garnish the funds; it is free to us; they just ask for consent legislation since they will be working in our corporate limits.

Bennett: Mr. Peoples, we have done ordinances in the past like this before; when similar work was being done?

Peoples: Yes, this is pretty standard. Had to do one with the Gender Rd Urban Paving Program where they paved 674. We've done it signs, did it on the bridge, did it when they did a mill and overlay on 33.

Lynch: Mr. Peoples, in reading this it said they will be taking care of the replacement. Anything over and above the city would be responsible for. Do you see anything over and above. Peoples: We finalized the plans back in May; this is a very specific project; when they did the 674 paving anything like guardrails or traffic loops, that type of thing; we would have had to pay extra for; this one is very narrow in scope; so we don't anticipate anything extra.

A motion was made by Bennett to move ORD-20-045 to full Council, seconded by Lynch. The motion carried with the following vote:

Yes 7 – Bennett, Lynch, Amos, Clark, Coolman, Millikan, Walker**E. Reports**

Matt Peoples – Thank you Mr. Coolman; just from my written report; we had our transition with Rumpke last week and it went very well; I met a couple crews out and they said everything was going good; it was a light day for trash; I did see a lot of recycle containers that were packed; there were a few a residents that did not get their carts; we got that rectified pretty quickly; they will be back on Thursday; if the public has any issues or comments please let me know; we are working on the Capital Improvements Plan, if anyone has any projects they would like to see on that let me know; the Gender Road Synchronization; a technician will be coming to do some visual inspections this week and make sure everything is operating the way it should; and Westchester Park is completely done.

Amos: The stress fractures in the posts at Westchester Park, did those get fixed? Peoples: Yeah, they originally poured concrete on there and they all cracked; so we had pre casted concrete put on there; they look a lot better.

Lucas Haire – Just a few items to highlight my written report; we had an open house at North Pointe; we did a drive through open house; hopefully we have a tenant in there pretty soon; also Shooters, is no longer moving forward; a casualty of COVID.

Lynch: So with Shooters out there...that's what 20 percent up out of the ground; is it just going to sit there until someone else claims it? Haire: Um, they never started construction on that project; the building that is completed in front of Meijer is a medical office building for Pediatric Associates. Lynch: It has been awhile since I've been over there.

Amanda Jackson – Thank you Mr. Coolman; bed tax grants applications are not available on our website; they are due November 30th by closed of business at 4:30; I will be working with our new Events and Communication Coordinator Hannah, to get the word out that those are available; and as I put in my written report we are finalizing the 2021 budget; so you should be seeing that in a couple of weeks; and the actual legislation will come to you in November.

Clark: I missed the date. Jackson: We will bring it to you for first reading at first meeting in November; so you can get your three readings in by the end of the year; but I will get you a draft to review by the end of the month. Clark: The Bed Tax application. Jackson: Oh, the Bed Tax that is due by November 30th.

F. Items for Discussion**G. Old/New Business**

Amos: Mr. Peoples, is there an update on the Health Department Visit? Peoples: I just got an email from them last week; they are looking at the November 2nd meeting.

Bennett: Since we have a little time; I don't know if it's an opportune time to talk about the email I shared with the rest of council this week; I had a conversation with Joel Brown who was the former Ohio Retired Police Chief Association; we talked about how to talk to residents about when is the right time to start a police force; and how do you know; I have a pdf.doc. that I shared with all of you; it is very interesting; it

details what we are doing; sub-contracting the service instead of starting you own force; it kind of reaffirms what we are doing; he also shared that he does those types of reports; they have an option that is within that 5k price range; I asked for some samples of studies; I copied Sergeant Hendershot on that; some of the statistics in there; I don't know how to read that; I just wanted to bring that forth to council as an option to consider; as we have talked about how we are sizing Fairfield's contract; it's good to do those checks and balances.

Coolman: I thought the information was pretty good; what it confirmed for me was the detail Hendershot puts on his reports is right on target; each community is different and they have different needs; I will continue to go through it; but I think we are using the right demographic characteristics; I was enthused to see that; thank you Will for putting that together.

Lynch: We should pursue some type of evaluation of where we are and where we should be; and how do we get to where we should be; there are a lot of factors; I think it would be good for us to get the evaluation done; so we have something to go by; in addition, so we can come up with some kind of plan; as we grow as a city; what guidelines do we need to go by to actually increase the force over time; we need a plan on how to grow down the road.

Mike Walker: Mayor Ebert, have you spoke with anyone yet, as far as a study? No, not in regards to a study; I would like to say one comment about the study; you could take cities with the same population as Canal in Ohio and they all will have different needs of police force.

Jackson: Mr. Coolman, if I may; Chief York contacted me from Madison Township Police Department; he would like to speak with you in two weeks at the next Council meeting; so would you prefer him to come in person or virtually? Coolman: Which would he prefer? Jackson: He said he is fine with either. Coolman: I would prefer in person. Jackson: I will let him know.

Bennett: Mr. Coolman, if it would interest Council; I could ask Mr. Sabransky to come in during Work Session. Clark: I am fine with that. Walker: Is there any charge for that? Bennett: I would think it would be virtually.

Milliken: I have a rough draft regarding a resolution regarding condemning racism in Canal Winchester, I shared this with Ms. Amos; just wanted to touch base on the timeline; I would like to present this at the first meeting in November; Ms. Amos have you done anything with what I sent you? Or where are we at? Amos: I have a lot of notes on my own that I have wrote down; I believe we are waiting on the Board of Health; that is why I kind of haven't moved forward; so I have a lot of notes on my own that I have written down. Milliken: The last we heard was; Amos: November 2nd. Milliken: Oh OK, I must have missed that. Coolman: Are we just waiting on Franklin County or Fairfield County as well? Amos: I would have to defer to Mr. Peoples about that. Walker: Franklin County covers all of Canal Winchester; even the Fairfield County portion. Coolman: So the update is that we are waiting on that health official to visit and then we will finalize.

H. Adjournment @ 6:27 p.m.

A motion was made by Bennett to adjourn, seconded by Clark. The motion carried with the following vote:

Yes 7 – Bennett, Clark, Amos, Coolman, Lynch, Milliken, Walker