

Record of Proceedings
Regular Council Meeting
January 14th, 2021

1 Presiding Officer, Mayor Nick Molnar called the January 14th, 2021 regular meeting to order at 7:30PM.

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3 **Present:** Council members Jessica Brandt, Dave Finley, Jeff Garvas, Jan Tulley and Vini J.
4 Ventura; Law Director Mark Guidetti and Council Clerk Amanda Trzaska.

5 **Absent: none**

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7 **PUBLIC HEARING @ 7:15PM:** ORDINANCE. NO. 69-2020
8 AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 1133 OF THE CODIFIED ORDINANCES OF THE CITY
9 OF MACEDONIA RELATIVE TO SIGN REGULATIONS

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11 **PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE** Lead by Mayor Nick Molnar

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13 **APPROVAL OF MINUTES** Mr. Ventura motioned for an amendment in the minutes, asking the clerk
14 to change line 11. Asking to change the minutes from saying unanimously to majority vote from those
15 minutes. Mrs. Tulley did ask that if there are any issues with the minutes please provide those to the clerk
16 prior to the meeting so there is a final draft ready for council's approval. Mrs. Tulley moved, Mr. Garvas
17 seconded, and motion carried unanimously on a voice vote to approve the minutes from the Regular
18 meeting on December 10th, 2020. Minutes were approved.

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20 **ELECTION OF COUNCIL OFFICERS**

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22 **COUNCIL PRESIDENT**

23 Ms. Brandt moved, nominating Mr. Ventura for Council President

24 Roll Call on motion nominating Mr. Ventura to the position of Council President:

25 Ayes: Ms. Brandt, Mr. Ventura

26 Nays: Mr. Finley, Mr. Garvas, Mrs. Tulley

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28 Mr. Finley moved, nominating Mrs. Tulley for Council President:

29 Roll Call on motion nominating Mrs. Tulley to the position of Council President:

30 Ayes: Mr. Finley, Mr. Garvas, Mrs. Tulley

31 Nays: Ms. Brandt, Mr. Ventura

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33 There being no further nominations were closed.

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35 **Mrs. Tulley Elected Council President for 2021**

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37 **COUNCIL VICE-PRESIDENT**

38 Mr. Finley moved, and Mr. Garvas seconded, nominating Mr. Ventura to the position of Council Vice
39 President.

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41 There being no further nominations, nominations were closed.

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43 Roll call on motion nominating Mr. Ventura to the position of Council Vice President:

44 Ayes: Ms. Brandt, Mr. Finley, Mr. Garvas, Mrs. Tulley, Mr. Ventura

45 Nays: None

46 **Mr. Ventura Elected Council Vice President for 2021**

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48 **COUNCIL REPRESENTATIVE TO THE PARKS AND RECREATION COMMISSION**

49 Mrs. Tulley moved, Mr. Ventura seconded, nominating Ms. Brandt to the position of Council
50 Representative to the Parks & Recreation Commission.

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52 There being no further nominations, nominations were closed.

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54 Roll call on motion nominating Ms. Brandt to the position of Council Representative to Parks &
55 Recreation Commission.

56 Ayes: Ms. Brandt, Mr. Finley, Mr. Garvas, Mrs. Tulley, Mr. Ventura

57 Nays: None

58 **Ms. Brandt elected Council Representative to Park & Recreation Commission for 2021**

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61 **PUBLIC COMMENTS: NONE**

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63 **CORRESPONDENCE FROM THE CLERK:** Regarding Resolution 86-2020 the majority consensus
64 that the residents of the City of Macedonia have relayed is that they believe that Gov. DeWine is doing
65 his best to stop the spread of COVID-19. That they have faith in his plans, and that he is not abusing his
66 power. Many residents were upset by the resolution and their emotions were very strong on the matter.
67 Between the phone calls and emails I received there were only a few in support of the resolution.
68 Residents do not believe that resolution 86-2020 should be passed. The clerk received 14 emails & 7
69 calls. 2 emails were for the Resolution, 1 call was for the resolution, showing that 12 emails were against
70 and 6 calls were also against the resolution.

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72 **INTRODUCTION, READINGS & ADOPTION OF LEGISLATION**

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74 **ORDINANCE. NO. 69-2020**

75 AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 1133 OF THE CODIFIED ORDINANCES OF THE CITY
76 OF MACEDONIA RELATIVE TO SIGN REGULATIONS was **offered by Mr. Finley** for its Third and
77 final reading by title only. **Seconded by Mr. Garvas** carried unanimously on a voice vote.

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79 Relative to Ord. 69-2020: Cleaning up the ordinance language. A public hearing was held during this
80 meeting at 7:15PM there were no public in attendance, nor any comments sent to the clerk. The clerk did
81 receive one phone call regarding the ordinance, the resident just wanted information, nothing further came
82 about.

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84 Mr. Finley moved, Mr. Garvas seconded, and motion carried unanimously on voice vote to adopt **ORD.**
85 **NO. 69-2020** and post according to law. **ORD. NO. 69-2020 declared and adopted.**

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88 **RESOLUTION. NO. 86-2020**

89 A RESOLUTION OPPOSING THE OHIO GOVERNOR'S COVID-19 EXECUTIVE ORDERS was
90 **offered by Mr. Finley** for a second reading by title only. A second is not required.

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92 Relative to ORD 86-2020: Mayor Molnar & Counselor Ventura would like residents to know that this
93 piece of legislation was done by Mr. Finley only not all of council nor administration. There has been a
94 lot of talk regarding this Resolution. Mr. Finley would like it to go to a third reading so residents can send
95 in more comments. Council will then make their decision at the January 28th, 2021 meeting.

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98 **ORDINANCE. NO. 87-2020**

99 AN ORDINANCE CREATING CHAPTER 1387 OF THE CITY OF MACEDONIA'S CODIFIED
100 ORDINANCES RELATIVE TO PORTABLE, ON-DEMAND STORAGE DEVICES ("PODS"),
101 CONSTRUCTION DUMPSTERS AND DUMPSTER BAGS was **offered by Mr. Ventura** for a second
102 and third reading by title only. Seconded by Ms. Brandt. This motion was then rescinded by Mr. Ventura
103 and moved to offer it for a second reading by title only. A second is not required.

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105 Relative to ORD 87-2020: Mr. Ventura had originally asked for a second and third reading, however there
106 was still a few things that needed updated with this piece of legislation before it was to be passed. The

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107 mayor was not in agreement of there being a \$5 fee for a permit is just adding another unnecessary step
108 for our residents and does not believe that there should be a permit or fee, Mr. Garvas agreed. It was put
109 on for a second reading for now to investigate these details further.

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111 **RESOLUTION. NO. 1 -2021**

112 AN EMERGENCY RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE ADVANCE OF LOCAL TAXES BY THE
113 SUMMIT COUNTY FISCAL OFFICE TO THE CITY OF MACEDONIA FOR 2020 TAX YEAR
114 PAYABLE IN 2021 was **offered by Mr. Garvas** and moved Council waive the requirement that it be
115 read by title on three different days, instructing the Clerk to read it by title only for all three readings.
116 **Second by Mr. Finley** carried unanimously on a voice vote.

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118 Roll call: Ayes: Brandt, Garvas, Tulley, Ventura

119 Nays: Finley

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121 Mr. Garvas moved, Mr. Finley seconded, and motion carried unanimously on voice vote to adopt **RESO.**
122 **NO. 1-2021** and post according to law. **RESO. NO.1-2021 declared and adopted.**

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124 **ORDINANCE. NO. 2-2021**

125 AN EMERGENCY ORDINANCE RATIFYING THE COLLECTIVE BARGAINING AGREEMENT
126 BETWEEN THE CITY OF MACEDONIA AND THE MACEDONIA FIREFIGHTERS,
127 INTERNATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF FIREFIGHTERS, LOCAL 3947 FOR THE YEARS 2020,
128 2021, AND 2022 was **offered by Mr. Ventura** and moved Council waive the requirement that it be read
129 by title on three different days, instructing the Clerk to read it by title only for all three readings. **Second**
130 **by Mrs. Tulley** carried unanimously on a voice vote.

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132 Mr. Ventura moved, Mrs. Tulley seconded, and motion carried unanimously on voice vote to adopt **ORD.**
133 **NO. 2-2021** and post according to law. **ORD. NO.2-2021 declared and adopted.**

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136 **ORDINANCE. NO. 3-2021**

137 AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO ENTER INTO A MEMORANDUM OF
138 UNDERSTANDING WITH THE SUMMIT SOIL AND WATER CONSERVATION DISTRICT AND
139 THE NORTHEAST OHIO REGIONAL SEWER DISTRICT FOR ASSISTANCE IN IMPLEMENTING
140 SOIL AND WATER CONSERVATION MEASURES was **offered by Ms. Brandt** and moved Council
141 waive the requirement that it be read by title on three different days, instructing the Clerk to read it by
142 title only for all three readings. **Second by Mr. Garvas** carried unanimously on a voice vote.

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144 Ms. Brandt moved, Mr. Garvas seconded, and motion carried unanimously on voice vote to adopt **ORD.**
145 **NO. 3-2021** and post according to law. **ORD. NO. 3-2021 declared and adopted.**

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148 **ORD. NO. 4-2021**

149 AN EMERGENCY ORDINANCE ESTABLISHING THE COMPENSATION SCHEDULE FOR THE
150 NON-UNION CITY EMPLOYEES OF MACEDONIA EFFECTIVE JANUARY 1, 2021 was **offered by**
151 **Mrs. Tulley** and moved Council waive the requirement that it be read by title on three different days,
152 instructing the Clerk to read it by title only for all three readings. **Second by Mr. Finley** carried
153 unanimously on a voice vote. Mrs. Tulley made a motion to amend the compensation table of 2022 for
154 paygrade 7 to make the maximum 28.68.

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156 Mrs. Tulley moved, Mr. Finley seconded, and motion carried unanimously on voice vote to adopt **ORD.**
157 **NO. 4-2021** and post according to law. **ORD. NO.4-2021 declared and adopted.**

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160 **MOTIONS / OTHER LEGISLATIVE ACTION**

161 Ms. Brandt motioned to accept the donation of a furnace inspection and control panel replacement, valued
162 at \$500, from Jackson Heating and Cooling for the Longwood Manor house. Seconded by Mrs. Tulley.

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165 **MAYOR'S REPORT**

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167 - Court Deposits from December 1-31, 2020: \$3,074

168 - Court Deposits from November 1-30, 2020: \$5,956

169 - Raising Canes is moving in to where Stake and Shake was! This will be a great addition to the
170 city. There is some movement to where the Golden Coral was.

171 - Property evaluations going up. The mayor did reach out to the Summit County Fiscal Officer and
172 she did reply. This will be up on our website. The state essentially denied any delay in increases.

173 - Thank you to Counselor Brandt and Counselor Garvas on the Are You Ok program. This
174 basically checks in on our seniors. It is a great program and working on getting up and running.

175 - Monday January 18th, 2021 City Hall will be closed, it is Martin Luther King Day.

176 - Do not drive distracted.

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COMMITTEE REPORTS

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180 **Parks & Recreation** Ms. Brandt thanked everyone for the confidence! Next meeting will be next
181 Wednesday at 6PM, it will be virtual.

182 **Cemetery Committee** Mrs. Tulley stated that sagamore drops off the board and Northfield does come
183 on. Working on getting a website up that will have all the cemetery deeds and plots available to view.

184 **JEDD** Mr. Ventura, Mr. Garvas & Mayor Molnar spoke on this: the mound & the army corps of
185 engineers, policing of the area near there. Meyer Steel looking at a property. Dunkin Donuts and the
186 carwash with a right in/right out.

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188 Mayor Molnar requested to have the names of the department heads on the agenda in alphabetical order
189 when the clerk makes the agenda.

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DEPARTMENT REPORTS

192 **Service Department:** Director Hnottavange- January 3rd started services night shift. To have a head start
193 on the roads. Thanks to ODOT district 4 for the clearing of the downed tree on December 1, 2020.

194 **Engineer:** Director Gigliotti- Guadalupe detention pond is finished!

195 **Parks and Recreation Department:** Jason Chadock- Congratulations to Counselor Brandt! The hot tub
196 is being worked on as we speak! The true leak was found in the hot tub, there was around 4 inches of
197 water a day that was leaking out of the hot tub. Lap pool heater went out two weeks ago, it did go down to
198 about 74 degrees. Steve Plata was able to make a temporary repair to the boiler while we wait for the
199 parts to be shipped. While all this went on, the activity pool also was having heating issues. The auction
200 items will be going up next week on the auction site.

201 **Finance Department:** Director Veres- wrapping up 2020. Gathering resumes for accounts receivable
202 administrator. Andrea May will be retiring in May 2021. Collecting resumes through next Thursday.

203 **IT Department:** Director Collins- looking at a replacement of our firewall. Options of a new website.
204 Thank you to counselor Brandt for help with an issue with our website.

205 **Fire Department:** Chief Ripley- 100 years ago the Macedonia fire department was founded! Working on
206 getting something going to celebrate this. About 200 calls less during the state shutdown. Made up for it
207 in the townships. People were afraid to call 911 because they were afraid, they were going to get COVID
208 in the hospitals. Call volume is back too normal. Most of the fire staff has now received the first round of
209 the vaccine. The 800 radios are getting ready to be installed.

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210 **Police Department:** Chief Golden- Please lock your vehicles. Do not leave your keys in your car, do not
211 leave any valuables visible. There are gangs coming out of Cleveland that are hitting the surrounding
212 areas.

213 **Law Department:** Director Guidetti- some insurance companies will deny claims if people leave their
214 keys in their car.

215 **HR:** Director Smith- Very busy closing out 2020. Getting benefits out through medical mutual so all
216 employees have their insurance.

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218 **Unfinished Business: none**

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220 **New Business:**

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222 Mrs. Tulley made a motion to move into an executive session Pursuant to R.C 121.22G1 to discuss the
223 appointment, employment, dismissal, discipline, promotion, demotion, compensation of the investigation
224 complaints concerning a public employee or official. Mr. Garvas seconded.

225 Roll Call: Brandt, Finley, Garvas, Tulley, Ventura

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227 There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned unanimously on voice vote at 9:17PM

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230 **Date:** _____

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Attest: _____
Amanda Trzaska, Clerk of Council

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237 **Mayor:** _____

238 Nicholas Molnar

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