

Record of Proceedings
Regular Council Meeting
August 12th, 2021

1 Presiding Officer, Mayor Nicholas Molnar called the August 12th, 2021 regular meeting to order at
2 7:30p.m..
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4 **Present:** Council members Jessica Brandt, Jeff Garvas, and Jan Tulley. Also present: Law Director
5 Mark Guidetti and Clerk of Council Jon Hoover

6 **Absent:** Council members Dave Finley and Vini J. Ventura
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8 **INVOCATION & PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE** Chaplain Tom O'Brien of Nordonia Hills American
9 Legion 801
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11 **APPROVAL OF MINUTES**
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13 Ms. Tulley moved, and Ms. Brandt seconded, a motion to approve the minutes of the regular meeting of
14 July 22, 2021 as received from the Clerk of Council. The motion carried unanimously upon a voice vote.
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16 **PUBLIC COMMENTS:**
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20 **CORRESPONDENCE:**
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22 An e-mail was read from resident Joseph Biber of Crow Drive regarding the issue of sidewalk repair and
23 his belief that the trees chosen by the city arborist to be planted on tree lawns have incorrect root
24 structure. He has anxiety that IF the city forces residents to repair the sidewalk, many will choose to
25 remove the trees to avoid the problem happening again, thus deteriorating the image of the city.
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27 **INTRODUCTION, READINGS & ADOPTION OF LEGISLATION**
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29 **ORDINANCE NO. 39-2021**

30 AN EMERGENCY ORDINANCE DECLARING IMPROVEMENTS TO CERTAIN PARCELS OF
31 REAL PROPERTY TO BE A PUBLIC PURPOSE, DESCRIBING THE PUBLIC IMPROVEMENTS
32 TO BE MADE WHICH DIRECTLY BENEFIT SUCH PARCELS, REQUIRING THE OWNERS OF
33 THE IMPROVEMENTS ON SUCH PARCELS TO MAKE SERVICE PAYMENTS IN LIEU OF
34 TAXES, & ESTABLISHING A "BIG CARROT" MUNICIPAL PUBLIC IMPROVEMENT TAX
35 INCREMENT EQUIVALENT FUND FOR THE DEPOSIT OF SUCH SERVICE PAYMENTS
36 PURSUANT TO OHIO REVISED CODE §§ 5709.40, 5709.42 AND 5709.43 was offered by Mr. Garvas
37 for its **second reading by title only**.
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40 **RESOLUTION NO. 46-2021**

41 A RESOLUTION ACKNOWLEDGING A CITY OF MACEDONIA POLICY AS TO BLANKET
42 PURCHASE ORDERS was offered by Mr. Garvas for **first reading by title only**.
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45 **ORDINANCE NO. 47-2021**

46 AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO ENTER INTO AN AGREEMENT WITH THE
47 TOWNSHIP OF SAGAMORE HILLS, OHIO TO PROVIDE EMERGENCY FIRE AND MEDICAL
48 SERVICES TO THE TOWNSHIP was offered by Ms. Tulley for **first reading by title only**.
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51 **ORDINANCE NO. 48-2021**

52 AN ORDINANCE PROVIDING FOR A SENIOR SNOW REMOVAL PROGRAM FOR THE 2021-
53 2022 WINTER SEASON was offered by Ms. Brandt for **first reading by title only**.

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ORDINANCE NO. 49-2021

AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO ENTER INTO AN AGREEMENT WITH VALLEY VIEW PROPERTY MAINTENANCE LLC FOR A SENIOR GUTTER CLEANING PROGRAM FOR THE FALL 2021 SEASON was offered by Ms. Tulley for **first reading by title only**.

ORDINANCE NO. 50-2021

AN ORDINANCE PROVIDING FOR AND AUTHORIZING A REFUSE COLLECTION SUBSIDY FOR SENIOR CITIZENS AND MAKING APPROPRIATION FOR THAT SUBSIDY was offered by Ms. Brandt for **first reading by title only**.

Ms. Tulley noted that in regards to Ordinances 48, 49 and 50 that the City had begun providing these services a number of years ago and asked Dir. Guidetti to explain what the requirements are to receive these services.

Dir. Guidetti explained that there is a number of requirements set forth in the legislation that interested individuals can receive a copy of or access via the City website. The main requirements are age and income level as set by the Department of Housing and Urban Development.

MOTIONS / OTHER LEGISLATIVE ACTION

Ms. Tulley moved, Mr. Garvas seconded to enter into executive session pursuant to Ohio R.C. 121.22(G)(1),(3) & (4) to discuss the employment, dismissal, discipline, promotion, demotion, or compensation of a public employee or official; to discuss pending or imminent litigation and; to discuss negotiations with public employees concerning terms and conditions of employment.

Roll call: Ayes: Ms. Brandt, Mr. Garvas, Ms. Tulley
Nays: None
The motion carried unanimously

At 7:58pm, Council reconvened into its regular meeting

Ms. Tulley moved, Mr. Garvas seconded to authorize the Mayor to take all necessary action to accept and enter into the Participation Agreement for the “One Ohio Subdivision Settlement” with McKesson Corporation, Cardinal Health, Inc., and AmerisourceBergen Corporation pursuant to the “OneOhio Memorandum of Understanding” and consistent with the material terms of the July 21, 2021 proposed National Opioid Distributor Settlement Agreement.

Roll call: Ayes: Ms. Brandt, Mr. Garvas, Ms. Tulley
Nays: None
The motion carried unanimously

Dir. Guidetti explained there has been litigation pending amongst multiple defendants in the northern district of Ohio, Judge Polster presiding, known as the Multi-district Opioid Litigation. This is a proposed settlement to the State of Ohio and all its political subdivisions in regards to three specific distributors of opioids. The proposed settlement is dependent upon the amount of political subdivisions in the state of Ohio that participate. If certain thresholds are reached, the settlement agreement will go into effect and the exact distributions will be contingent upon the exact percentage of participants.

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107 **MAYOR'S REPORT**

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- 109 - The Rec Center will be repaved the week of August 16
 - 110 - The Mural Project on the I-271 bridge over Rte. 82 by Speedway will be moving along quickly
 - 111 and should be completed within 60 days. It will be a tribute to the Nordonia area.
 - 112 - The Mayor reiterated that the new Flock system is not “watching” residents, but is looking for
 - 113 flagged plates. Multiple stolen vehicles have been reclaimed, but the system could also help
 - 114 during Amber alerts and if an individual with dementia is driving, amongst other benefits.
 - 115 Speeding tickets will not be sent using this camera while the current Mayor is in office. The City
 - 116 also will not sell data collected by the cameras.
 - 117 - Please do not drive distracted

118 **COMMITTEE REPORTS**

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- 120 **Parks & Recreation Committee** Ms. Brandt stated the committee will have its first in-person meeting on
- 121 August 18 at 6pm upstairs in the Rec Center.
- 122 **Finance Committee** Mr. Garvas stated the committee is tentatively scheduled to meet on September 30
- 123 and October 7 to go over the annual budget review.
- 124 **Cemetery Board** No report

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128 **DEPARTMENT REPORTS**

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130 **Service Department:** Director Karas- Mechanics have been performing maintenance on the leaf

131 machines for the upcoming Fall leaf collections. Fields are being prepared for the Fall softball leagues.

132 Roadside mowing continues; ditching has been completed on Meadowlawn Drive and begun on Summit

133 Drive. The Service Dept. provided multiple vehicles/machinery to the Touch a Truck event held on

134 August 12 at the Rec Center parking lot.

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136 **Engineer:** Director Gigliotti- Repaving of the Rec Center parking lot begins on August 16. Crack/seal

137 work will be conducted on Rte. 82 at night. Repainting lines of roads city-wide will take place over the

138 next few weeks.

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140 **Parks and Recreation Department:** Director Chadock – Parking lot project and maintenance shutdown

141 of the Rec Center begins the week of August 16. Facility will re-open the week of August 23 with an

142 alternate entrance. Thanked the Service, Fire and Police department and Cindy Funk for their help with

143 the Touch a Truck event. Fall Fest will be on September 18 in the pavilion area of Longwood Park. Fall

144 sports begin week of August 16, including co-ed and men’s softball leagues. New recreation coordinator

145 of marketing and special events, Samantha Edgar, will begin on August 16.

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147 **Finance Department:** Director Veres- Finance department continues the transition to new software.

148 Reminded residents that the last day to file for the Macedonia city income tax refund is Monday, August

149 16.

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151 **Fire Department:** Chief Ripley- Reported severe storm damage in Sagamore Hills. Please be aware that

152 fallen trees could have live wires tangled in them and to call the Fire Dept. if there is a concern. Hydrant

153 flushing has been completed thanks to the three individuals that performed the task.

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155 **Police Department:** Chief Golden- Answers to questions related to the Flock camera system can be

156 found on NordoniaHills.news. If solicitors come to your door and you are on the “no knock” list you can

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157 call the police to report. Stickers indicating your home to be a “no knock” can be picked up from the City
158 Center.

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160 The Mayor requested that the answers to the Flock camera questions also be posted on the City website.

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163 **HR Department:** Director Smith – Preparing for drug-free workplace and safety training that will take
164 places from August to the end of October. Completed police department training for timeclock system,
165 and the fire department will be next. In regards to medical plan, the City is below the industry standard
166 percentage of claims to premiums for the first 6 months of the year. If this trend continues for the second
167 6 months, the City should be looking at a nice renewal. Task force is being put together to evaluate
168 renewal numbers.

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170 **IT Department:** Director Collins- The IT Department closed 48 tickets. Major projects include
171 repairing a Spectrum internet issue at one of the Service garages, and completion of the new camera
172 installation at the City Center. Rec Center is halfway done, police department is complete, and awaiting
173 backordered cameras for the two Service garages.

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175 The Mayor noted Director Collins is a department of one and thanked him for his work on all the
176 upgrades he has completed.

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178 **Law Department:** No report

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182 **UNFINISHED BUSINESS:**

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184 Ms. Tulley reminded everyone the August 26 Council meeting was cancelled, and the next will be
185 September 9. She also noted speed limits throughout the City are posted, but unfortunately many are not
186 heeding them. Children, people walking their dogs and cyclists are out—we want to keep our residents
187 safe.

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189 **NEW BUSINESS:**

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193 There being no further business, Ms. Brandt moved, second by Mr. Garvas, to **adjourn the meeting**. The
194 motion passed **unanimously** pursuant to a voice vote and the meeting was adjourned at approximately
195 8:16p.m.

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198 **Date:** _____

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201 **Attest:** _____
202 Jon Hoover, Clerk of Council

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205 **Mayor:** _____
206 Nicholas Molnar

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