

Record of Proceedings
Regular Council Meeting
December 9th, 2021

1 Presiding Officer, Mayor Nicholas Molnar called the December 9th, 2021 regular meeting to order at
2 7:34p.m..

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4 **Present:** Council members Jessica Brandt, Jeff Garvas, Jan Tulley, and Vini J. Ventura. Also
5 present: Law Director Mark Guidetti and Clerk of Council Jon Hoover.

6 **Absent:** Councilor Dave Finley

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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, second by Mr. Ventura, to approve the minutes of the regular meeting of November
14 11, 2021 as received from the Clerk of Council. The motion carried unanimously upon a voice vote.

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17 **PUBLIC COMMENTS:** None

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19 **CORRESPONDENCE:** None

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

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24 **ORDINANCE NO. 67-2021**

25 AN ORDINANCE PROVIDING FOR THE 2022 ANNUAL APPROPRIATIONS FOR THE CITY OF
26 MACEDONIA, OHIO was offered by Mr. Garvas for **third reading by title only**. Seconded by Ms.
27 Tulley.

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29 Dir. Veres thanked Council for participating in several Finance Committee meetings leading up to this
30 point and echoed Ms. Tulley's previous comments on the importance of having a budget passed before
31 the next year starts.

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33 Mr. Garvas moved, second by Ms Tulley, to **adopt ORD.NO. 67-2021 and post the same according to**
34 **law**. Motion carried unanimously by a voice vote. **ORD.NO. 67-2021 declared and adopted.**

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37 **RESOLUTION NO. 70-2021**

38 AN EMERGENCY RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO TAKE ALL NECESSARY
39 ACTION TO ACCEPT AND ENTER INTO THE "ONE OHIO SUBDIVISION SETTLEMENT" WITH
40 JANSSEN/JOHNSON & JOHNSON PURSUANT TO THE "ONEOHIO MEMORANDUM OF
41 UNDERSTANDING" AND CONSISTENT WITH THE MATERIAL TERMS OF THE JULY 21, 2021
42 PROPOSED NATIONAL OPIOID SETTLEMENT AGREEMENT was offered by Ms. Tulley for **first,**
43 **second and third reading by title only**. Seconded by Ms. Brandt The motion carried unanimously by a
44 voice vote.

45 Dir. Guidetti stated this resolution is similar to a settlement Council had previously authorized, this
46 specific piece for the companies stated in the resolution. Potential proceeds that would be awarded to the
47 City range from \$17,000 to a little over \$24,000. The specific amount is dependent on how many
48 political subdivisions within Ohio decide to participate.

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50 Ms. Tulley moved, second by Ms Brandt, to adopt RES.NO. 70-2021 and post the same according to
51 law. Motion carried unanimously by a voice vote. RES.NO. 70-2021 declared and adopted.
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53 **RESOLUTION NO. 71-2021**

54 A RESOLUTION ACKNOWLEDGING RECEIPT OF THE CURRENT FEE SCHEDULE FOR THE
55 CITY OF MACEDONIA RECREATION CENTER was offered by Ms. Brandt for first, second and
56 third reading by title only. Seconded by Mr. Garvas. The motion carried unanimously by a voice vote.

57 Dir. Chadock explained this resolution allows the Parks & Recreation Department to identify the prices
58 for various membership levels as well as rental rates for both inside and outside facilities.
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60 Ms. Brandt asked whether there are any changes to the fee schedule from last year, to which Dir. Chadock
61 responded the only change was light rental on playing fields will now be \$10 instead of \$35.
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63 Ms. Brandt moved, second by Mr. Garvas, to adopt RES.NO. 71-2021 and post the same according to
64 law. Motion carried unanimously by a voice vote. RES.NO. 71-2021 declared and adopted.
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66 **RESOLUTION NO. 72-2021**

67 A RESOLUTION CONFIRMING THE REAPPOINTMENT BY THE MAYOR OF BARBARA
68 LUCZYWO TO THE PARKS AND RECREATION COMMISSION was offered by Ms. Brandt for first,
69 second and third reading by title only. Seconded by Mr. Ventura. The motion carried unanimously by a
70 voice vote.

71 The Mayor explained this resolution reappoints Ms. Luczywo to another term after she had finished
72 filling a vacated seat on the Commission.
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74 Ms. Brandt commented that Ms. Luczywo has been a great addition to the Commission, and was voted
75 Chairperson shortly after being added to the Commission.
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77 Ms. Brandt moved, second by Mr. Ventura, to adopt RES.NO. 72-2021 and post the same according to
78 law. Motion carried unanimously by a voice vote. RES.NO. 72-2021 declared and adopted.
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80 **RESOLUTION NO. 73-2021**

81 A RESOLUTION CONFIRMING THE REAPPOINTMENT BY THE MAYOR OF STACI SZUGYE
82 TO THE PARKS AND RECREATION COMMISSION was offered by Ms. Brandt for first, second and
83 third reading by title only. Seconded by Mr. Ventura. The motion carried unanimously by a voice vote.

84 Ms. Brandt stated that Ms. Szugye is a unique voice on the Commission and is grateful that she makes
85 time for them.
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87 Ms. Brandt moved, second by Mr. Ventura, to adopt RES.NO. 73-2021 and post the same according to
88 law. Motion carried unanimously by a voice vote. RES.NO. 73-2021 declared and adopted.
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90 **RESOLUTION NO. 74-2021**

91 A RESOLUTION AMENDING RESOLUTION NO. 128-2018 RELATIVE TO THE APPOINTMENT
92 OF KAREN BARTOLOZZI TO THE PARKS AND RECREATION COMMISSION was offered by Ms.
93 Brandt for first, second and third reading by title only. Seconded by Ms. Tulley. The motion carried
94 unanimously by a voice vote.

95 Dir. Guidetti explained this resolution corrects a typographical error in the original legislation from 2018
96 and adds a year to her term, ending on December 31, 2023.
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98 Ms. Brandt moved, second by Ms. Tulley, to adopt RES.NO. 74-2021 and post the same according to
99 law. Motion carried unanimously by a voice vote. RES.NO. 74-2021 declared and adopted.

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101 **RESOLUTION NO. 75-2021**

102 A RESOLUTION CONFIRMING THE REAPPOINTMENT BY THE MAYOR OF KENT SHELLKO
103 TO THE BOARD OF ZONING AND BUILDING CODE APPEALS was offered by Ms. Tulley for first,
104 second and third reading by title only. Seconded by Mr. Garvas. The motion carried unanimously by a
105 voice vote.

106 The Mayor stated that Mr. Shellko has been a valuable member to the Board and has agreed to serve an
107 additional term.

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109 Ms. Tulley moved, second by Mr. Garvas, to adopt RES.NO. 75-2021 and post the same according to
110 law. Motion carried unanimously by a voice vote. RES.NO. 75-2021 declared and adopted.

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112 **RESOLUTION NO. 76-2021**

113 A RESOLUTION CONFIRMING THE APPOINTMENT OF SHANE BARKER TO THE CITY OF
114 MACEDONIA CIVIL SERVICE COMMISSION was offered by Mr. Ventura for first, second and
115 third reading by title only. Seconded by Ms. Brandt. The motion carried unanimously by a voice vote.

116 The Mayor explained that Melissa Hunter is moving out of Macedonia and thus has resigned her seat on
117 the Commission. Mr. Barker has experience as a captain with the Summit County Sheriff's Department
118 and lends had to different ideas that should prove valuable to the Civil Service Commission.

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120 Mr. Ventura moved, second by Ms. Brandt, to adopt RES.NO. 76-2021 and post the same according to
121 law. Motion carried unanimously by a voice vote. RES.NO. 76-2021 declared and adopted.

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123 **RESOLUTION NO. 77-2021**

124 A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING AND DIRECTING THE MAYOR TO ENTER INTO AN
125 AGREEMENT TO PROVIDE DISPATCH SERVICES TO THE VILLAGE OF NORTHFIELD was
126 offered by Ms. Tulley for first, second and third reading by title only. Seconded by Mr. Garvas. The
127 motion carried unanimously by a voice vote.

128 The Mayor stated that Macedonia currently offers dispatch services to the Village of Northfield, and this
129 extends that agreement another ten years. If there is expansion at the casino, there is the option to revisit
130 and potentially revise the agreement.

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132 Ms. Tulley moved, second by Mr. Garvas, to adopt RES.NO. 77-2021 and post the same according to
133 law. Motion carried unanimously by a voice vote. RES.NO. 77-2021 declared and adopted.

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135 **ORDINANCE NO. 78-2021**

136 AN ORDINANCE APPROVING USE OF THE CITY OF MACEDONIA PLANNED CAPITAL
137 PURCHASE PROGRAM FOR CERTAIN PLANNED CAPITAL PURCHASES was offered by Mr.
138 Garvas for first, second and third reading by title only. Seconded by Mr. Ventura. The motion carried
139 unanimously by a voice vote.

140 Dir. Veres stated this ordinance allows for an open vendor purchase order to carry-over. At the end of
141 this year, the City will have set aside \$596,500 for planned capital purchases.

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143 Mr. Garvas moved, second by Mr. Ventura, to adopt ORD.NO. 78-2021 and post the same according
144 to law. Motion carried unanimously by a voice vote. ORD.NO. 78-2021 declared and adopted.

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146 **ORDINANCE NO. 79-2021**

147 AN ORDINANCE AMENDING ORDINANCE NO. 74-2020 RELATIVE TO CURRENT EXPENSES
148 AND OTHER EXPENDITURES OF THE CITY OF MACEDONIA FOR THE PERIOD OF JANUARY
149 1, 2021 TO DECEMBER 31, 2021 was offered by Mr. Garvas for first, second and third reading by
150 title only. Seconded by Ms. Brandt. The motion carried unanimously by a voice vote.

151 Dir. Veres explained a number of reasons for this last amendment of the year, including an increase in
152 income tax from the original estimate (up roughly 10% from last year). Also included is \$110,000 for the
153 purchase cost of a senior van.

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155 Mr. Garvas moved, second by Ms. Brandt, to adopt **ORD.NO. 79-2021** and post the same according to
156 law. Motion carried unanimously by a voice vote. **ORD.NO. 79-2021** declared and adopted.

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158 **ORDINANCE NO. 80-2021**

159 AN ORDINANCE AMENDING SECTION 1365.08(c) OF THE CITY OF MACEDONIA CODIFIED
160 ORDINANCES RELATIVE TO THE REGULATION OF MOTOR VEHICLES IN THE
161 MAINTENANCE STANDARDS PORTION OF THE BUILDING CODE was offered by Mr. Ventura
162 for first reading by title only. Seconded by Mr. Garvas.

163 Commissioner Rodic explained the purpose of this ordinance is to assist in the maintenance standards,
164 particularly the exterior property areas where inoperable and unlicensed motor vehicles could be stored.
165 The intent of this legislation is to eliminate those types of vehicles.

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167 **ORDINANCE NO. 81-2021**

168 AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR, BUILDING COMMISSIONER, SERVICE
169 DIRECTOR, AND FINANCE DIRECTOR TO ESTABLISH PROCEDURES FOR AND ENGAGE IN
170 THE PROCESS OF LETTING ONE OR MORE CONTRACTS WITH ONE OR MORE QUALIFIED
171 ENTITIES FOR DESIGN AND CONSTRUCTION OF A SERVICE BUILDING AS SET FORTH
172 WITHIN THE OHIO REVISED CODE RELATED TO DESIGN-BUILD CONTRACTING FOR THE
173 PURPOSES OF THE CONSTRUCTION OF A NEW SERVICE BUILDING AND SALT DOME, AND
174 AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO ENTER INTO A CONTRACT WITH BIALOSKY CLEVELAND
175 TO ASSIST THE CITY AS ITS CRITERIA ARCHITECT TO ACCOMPLISH THE SAME was offered
176 by Ms. Brandt for first, second and third reading by title only. Seconded by Mr. Ventura. The motion
177 carried unanimously by a voice vote.

178 The Mayor stated this ordinance is an early step of many to build a new Service Building, as the current
179 facilities are dilapidated. If approved by Council, the hope is to break ground by April of 2022.

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181 Ms. Brandt moved, second by Mr. Ventura, to adopt **ORD.NO. 81-2021** and post the same according
182 to law. Motion carried unanimously by a voice vote. **ORD.NO. 81-2021** declared and adopted.

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185 Ms. Brandt moved to add **ORD.NO. 82-2021** to the agenda and waive the 48-hour notice rule of Council.
186 Seconded by Mr. Ventura. The motion carried unanimously by a voice vote.

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188 **ORDINANCE NO. 82-2021**

189 AN EMERGENCY ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO ENTER INTO A CONTRACT
190 WITH GREVE CHRYSLER JEEP DODGE FOR THE PURCHASE OF SIX (6) DODGE DURANGOS
191 FOR THE CITY POLICE DEPARTMENT IN AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$360,000.00
192 WITHOUT THE NECESSITY OF ADVERTISEMENT AND FORMAL BIDDING was offered by Ms.

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193 Brandt for first, second and third reading by title only. Seconded by Mr. Ventura, The motion carried
194 unanimously by a voice vote.

195 Chief Golden explained the current fleet of vehicles for the Police Department is failing and all of the
196 major car manufacturers have declined to have a state bid. A dealer in western Ohio was identified as
197 having stock and the hope is purchase these as soon as possible to bolster the fleet.
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199 The Mayor added that these vehicles were in the planned capital budget for 2022 anyway, but given the
200 manufacturer's wish to sell to private owners at a profit rather than government entities, this was an
201 opportunity that urgently called for action.
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203 Ms. Brandt moved, second by Mr. Ventura, to adopt **ORD.NO. 82-2021** and post the same according
204 to law. Motion carried unanimously by a voice vote. **ORD.NO. 82-2021** declared and adopted.
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207 **MOTIONS / OTHER LEGISLATIVE ACTION**

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209 Ms. Tulley moved, second by Ms. Brandt to accept the following donations:

210 ~Donation in the amount of \$100 from Josephine Arceci to be utilized for the City of Macedonia Law
211 Enforcement Education Fund

212 ~Donation in the amount of \$13,000 from Specialty Lubricants to be utilized towards the purchase of an
213 all-terrain vehicle for the City's Fire Department

214 ~Anonymous donation in the amount of \$1,200 to be utilized for the purchase of a "Task Force Tip"
215 piercing nozzle by the Fire Department

216 ~Donation in the amount of \$1,000 from Home Depot to be utilized by the Fire Department.

217 Motions carried unanimously by a voice vote.
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219 The Mayor welcomed Steve Bugenske of Specialty Lubricants, who explained they have a soft spot for
220 the first responders of Macedonia after a severe accident about twelve years ago when Kathy's son Ryan
221 was involved in snowmobile accident on the company's property. Mr. Bugenske believes that if it were
222 not for the training and expertise of Macedonia's first responders, Ryan would not be here today. It is
223 their privilege to make this donation to the Fire Department.
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225 The Mayor thanked the Bugenskes for what they do in this community.
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227 Mr. Bugenske stated that his family was lucky that Life Flight was able to land on their property, but for
228 situations where access is not as easy, it is vital to have equipment like this all-terrain vehicle to aid in
229 life-saving operations.
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231 **MAYOR'S REPORT**

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233 - November revenue from Mayor's Court was \$12,000.50.

234 - Leon Karas resigned as the Service Director for the City, and his replacement will probably be
235 chosen in January. Steve Dzurnak is filling in as interim director.

236 - The \$75,000 grant for the senior bus was not quite enough, so an adjustment to the budget was
237 necessary.

238 - The Service Department has done a great job during leaf season

239 - The City tree lighting took place on Sunday, December 5

240 - Veteran's Park bathroom will be installed over the winter to connect the water and sewer

241 - Councilor Vini J. Ventura was awarded at the 13th annual Chamber Bright Star awards

242 presentation of the Northern Ohio Chamber of Commerce for throwing himself into the world of

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- 243 volunteerism and they are better because of it. No job is too big or small and he does it all with a
244 laugh and a smile.
245 - Happy Holidays, Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year!
246 - Please don't drive distracted! Put the phones down and drive the vehicle.
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248 **COMMITTEE REPORTS**

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250 **Parks & Recreation Commission** Ms. Brandt stated the Parks & Recreation Commission had their final
251 meeting of the year on Wednesday, November 17. The trails are still being looked at by the engineer and
252 Service Department. Dir. Chadock was asked to look into the cost of electric after the upgrades were
253 made and found that savings were realized. The Parks & Recreation Department will have a section on
254 the new City website that will also incorporate the Manor House and senior center. HVAC is still being
255 worked on in the building. 2021 saw the Recreation Center earn its third highest revenue in department
256 history. Thanks to those who served on the Commission this year, and to Council for approving Ms.
257 Luczywo and Ms. Szugye to new terms.
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259 **Cemetery Board** Ms. Tulley reported the Board will be meet on December 15 for the end-of-year
260 meeting. Macedonia will cycle off of the Board for 2022 before rejoining in 2023. Thanks to Dan the
261 handyman for all his hard work this year.
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263 **DEPARTMENT REPORTS**

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266 **Service Department:** Interim Director Steve Dzurnak – The final round of leaf collection will begin the
267 week of December 13. All activities can be found on the City's website.
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269 **Engineer:** Director Gigliotti- Good progress made on the new entrance monument sign at the right-
270 in/right-out at Golden Link. The sign is the last part of the overall right-in/right-out project.
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272 Mr. Ventura shared the positive feedback he's received from residents on the new pavement at Springhill
273 Drive.
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275 Ms. Tulley mentioned the new traffic lights on Olde 8 are now functional.
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277 **Parks and Recreation Department:** Director Chadock – Thanked Interim Director Dzurnak on getting
278 holiday lights up at the Recreation Center. Toys are being collected for "By The Dawn's Early Light". A
279 "Deck the House" holiday decoration competition is happening. Thanked Council for reappointments of
280 Parks and Recreation Commission members, as well as Deb Mikulski of the Longwood Manor Historical
281 Society for their efforts.
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283 **Fire Department:** Chief Ripley- Thanked Specialty Lubricants and Home Depot for their donations.
284 Noted Mr. Garvas has been instrumental in organizing the tracking of the Santa Delivery program. Please
285 do not overload outlets and extension cords with holiday decorations. Covid is still out there and the Fire
286 Department is dealing with it more now than it was six months ago.
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288 **Police Department:** Chief Golden - Thanked Council for passage of Ord.No. 82-2021. If residents are
289 holiday shopping, make sure to secure purchases in their vehicles.
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291 **HR Department:** Director Smith – HR is working to close out 2021 by updating employee files and
292 getting everyone on board with insurance plans.
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294 **Building Department:** Commissioner Rodic – Planning Commission has a number of items on the
295 agenda for this month, including: a sign for IHOP, parking lot for Peak Nano, new façade for Burlington
296 Coat Factory and adding tenants to that space. A new proposal was also received for a car wash by the
297 KFC on Highland Road. Optima Dermatology expects to break ground after the first of the year.
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299 **IT Department:** Director Collins – All computers at the satellite fire stations have been replaced.
300 Worked with Spectrum/Charter Communications to fix a firewall issue at the Recreation Center, and
301 made progress on approving wire frame for the new City website.
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303 **Finance Department:** Director Veres -- Thanked Council for approving the last amendment for this year.
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305 **Law Department:** Director Guidetti – No report
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308 **UNFINISHED BUSINESS:** None
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310 **NEW BUSINESS:**

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312 Ms. Tulley reference an article in the Akron Beacon-Journal on Mayor's Courts and how Stow City
313 Council is trying to get neighboring communities to abandon their Mayor's Courts in favor of Stow
314 Municipal Court.
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316 The Mayor stated that Stow Municipal Court often charges exorbitant fees to settle minor items like
317 traffic tickets and he has no intention of ever dismantling Mayor's Court. The legislation from Stow City
318 Council was simply a suggestion, and not binding in any way, shape or form.
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320 Dir. Guidetti stated he believes Mayor's Court are an essential part of the system and responses to
321 sentencing can be tailored. In Mayor's Court you tend to work with the individual more to make sure
322 they don't end up back in that same place.
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324 Mr. Ventura referenced a problem with a judicial figure in Stow Municipal Court, where discipline is
325 being sought because of the failure to be able to work with people. One of the purposes of a Mayor's
326 Court is to help individuals out of a "vicious circle" and on the right path.
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328 Ms. Tulley noted that Mr. Ventura, Ms. Brandt and herself will be sworn in for new terms on Council
329 January 5 at 5:30pm by Dir. Guidetti.
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331 Mr. Garvas invited those in the community to visit his home from the street to view the animated light
332 display and listen along to music at 87.9FM.
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334 Ms. Brandt wished everyone a Merry Christmas, Happy Holidays and Happy New Year! Thanks to the
335 Service Department for the amazing light displays, the Directors and employees for a fantastic year.
336 Thanks to the residents for voting—she is humbled and excited to get going on another four years.
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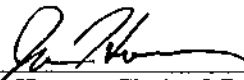
338 Ms. Tulley thanked Mr. Hoover for exceeding expectations as the Clerk of Council.
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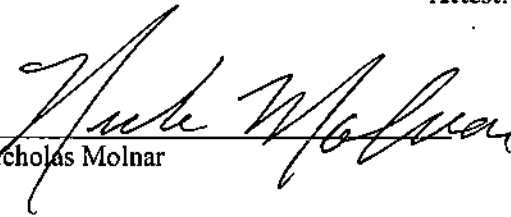
340 There being no further business, Mr. Ventura moved, second by Mr. Garvas, to **adjourn the meeting**.
341 The motion passed **unanimously** pursuant to a voice vote and the meeting was adjourned at
342 approximately 8:28p.m.
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345 Date: January 13, 2022
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Attest: 
Joh Hoover, Clerk of Council

Mayor: 
Nicholas Molnar