

**COUNCIL MINUTES
REGULAR MEETING OF
WASHINGTON COURT HOUSE CITY COUNCIL
6/10/2020
9:00 A.M.**

Council met in regular session at 9:00 A.M. in the second floor Council Chambers located at 105 N. Main Street, Washington Court House, with Chairperson Jim Chrisman presiding. Mr. Hawk led the invocation. Mr. Blair led the pledge of allegiance.

Present at said meeting were, Mr. Joe Denen, City Manager, Mr. Mark Pitstick City Attorney and Mrs. Kelley Ford, Clerk of Council. At roll call, the following Council members were present: Mr. Dale Lynch, Mr. Steve Shiltz, Mr. James Blair, Mr. Ted Hawk, and Mr. Jim Chrisman. Mr. Caleb Johnson and Ms. Kendra Hernandez were absent.

Mr. Shiltz moved and Mr. Hawk seconded the following motion:

Motion: That Ms. Hernandez be excused from the meeting.

At roll call the vote resulted as follows: Mr. Lynch, "Aye"; Mr. Shiltz, "Aye", Mr. Blair, "Aye"; Mr. Hawk, "Aye"; and Mr. Chrisman, "Aye".

Motion carried.

Mr. Shiltz moved and Mr. Hawk seconded the following motion:

Motion: That Mr. Johnson be excused from the meeting.

At roll call the vote resulted as follows: Mr. Lynch, "Aye"; Mr. Shiltz, "Aye", Mr. Blair, "Aye"; Mr. Hawk, "Aye"; and Mr. Chrisman, "Aye".

Motion carried.

Mr. Lynch moved and Mr. Shiltz seconded the following motion:

Motion: That the minutes of the Regular Council meeting held May 27, 2020 be approved as presented.

At roll call the vote resulted as follows: Mr. Lynch, "Aye"; Mr. Shiltz, "Aye", Mr. Blair, "Aye"; Mr. Hawk, "Aye"; and Mr. Chrisman, "Aye".

Motion carried.

COMMUNICATION

There was none.

COUNCIL COMMITTEES

Mr. Hawk presented the minutes of the Service, Safety and Recreation Committee meeting held June 1, 2020.

Mr. Lynch moved and Mr. Shiltz seconded the following motion:

MOTION: That the minutes of the Service, Safety and Recreation Committee meeting held February 3, 2020 be approved as presented.

At roll call the vote resulted as follows: Mr. Lynch, "Aye"; Mr. Shiltz, "Aye", Mr. Blair, "Aye"; Mr. Hawk, "Aye"; and Mr. Chrisman, "Aye".

Motion carried.

CITY MANAGER REPORT (in writing)

Mr. Denen respectfully addressed Council and expressed his appreciation of the playground equipment being opened June 10th.

Mr. Denen reported that the splash pad would be opening on June 19th.

Mr. Denen reminded all that Covid19 was still a threat. Denen recommended that to help reduce risk that citizens continue to practice safe virus hygiene habits and social distancing.

Mr. Denen noted that the Service Department would be addressing broken construction equipment.

Mr. Denen reported that a vacancy would need to be filled for a water plant position.

Mr. Denen thanked citizens for their patience for the siphon station work being completed at Katherine Court.

Mr. Denen reviewed new legislation. Mr. Denen thanked Mr. Caleb Johnson for contribution to the proposed legislation regarding the events for June 2, 2020.

Mr. Denen congratulated Mrs. Kim Pittser on her new position as Superintendent of Miami Trace Local School District.

Mr. Shiltz inquired about the status of the shelter house at the Washington Park splash pad? Mr. Denen noted only the concrete slab would be poured at this time until further direction was given regarding social distancing by the Governor.

Mr. Hawk inquired what services were rendered by Mr. Johnson concerning the legislation. Mr. Denen advised guidance in wording.

DIRECTOR OF FINANCE

Mr. Tom Riley, Director of Finance was absent.

CITY ATTORNEY

City Attorney, Mr. Mark Pitstick stated that he had no report.

LOCAL RESIDENTS AND TAX PAYERS

There was none.

C. LEGISLATION

A. ORDINANCE NO. 6 -2020 (third reading)

AN ORDINANCE ENACTING AND ADOPTING A SUPPLEMENT TO THE CODE OF ORDINANCES OF THE CITY OF WASHINGTON COURT HOUSE, FAYETTE COUNTY, OHIO.

Mr. Lynch moved and Mr. Hawk seconded the following motion:

MOTION: That Ordinance No. 6-2020 be placed on third reading.

At roll call the vote resulted as follows: Mr. Lynch, "Aye"; Mr. Shiltz, "Aye", Mr. Blair, "Aye"; Mr. Hawk, "Aye"; and Mr. Chrisman, "Aye".

Motion carried.

Mr. Lynch moved and Mr. Shiltz seconded the following motion:

MOTION: That Ordinance No. 6-2020 be passed.

At roll call the vote resulted as follows: Mr. Lynch, "Aye"; Mr. Shiltz, "Aye", Mr. Blair, "Aye"; Mr. Hawk, "Aye"; and Mr. Chrisman, "Aye".

Motion carried.

A. RESOLUTION NO. R18-2020 (second reading)

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING AND DIRECTING TOM RILEY, FINANCE DIRECTOR OR HIS DESIGNEE, TO CREATE FUND 102, CORONA VIRUS RELIEF FUND.

Mr. Shiltz moved and Mr. Blair seconded the following motion:

MOTION: That Resolution No. R18-2020 be placed on second reading.

In discussion, Mr. Blair inquired if there were any updates on the designation of funding? Mr. Denen noted that registration would need to be completed with the state. Mr. Denen explained that Fayette County first receives the funding and then the city. Mr. Denen advised that the city is required to spend the funding in accordance with the federal statute.

Mr. Shiltz inquired about the use of the funding?

Mr. Denen noted that the Administration would look for guidance from Council regarding how to spend the money within the limits of federal statute. Mr. Denen continued and noted that Fund 102 could not be used for revenue replacement.

Mr. Denen noted that a review would be completed regarding the expenses with the Police and Fire Departments in relation to Covid19.

At roll call the vote resulted as follows: Mr. Lynch, "Aye"; Mr. Shiltz, "Aye", Mr. Blair, "Aye"; Mr. Hawk, "Aye"; and Mr. Chrisman, "Aye".

Motion carried.

Mr. Lynch moved and Mr. Shiltz seconded the following motion:

MOTION: That Resolution No. R18-2020 be adopted.

At roll call the vote resulted as follows: Mr. Lynch, "Aye"; Mr. Shiltz, "Aye", Mr. Blair, "Aye"; Mr. Hawk, "Aye"; and Mr. Chrisman, "Aye".

Motion carried.

2. New Legislation (in writing)

A. RESOLUTION NO. R19-2020 (first reading)

A RESOLUTION RECOGNIZING EVENTS ON JUNE 2, 2020.

Mr. Lynch moved and Mr. Shiltz seconded the following motion:

MOTION: That Resolution No. R19-2020 be adopted.

In discussion, Mr. Hawk expressed his appreciation of the leadership of the City Administration. Mr. Hawk continued and noted his appreciation that all Council was considered when doing acts such as the proposed legislation in question. Mr. Hawk expressed his support of the legislation.

Mr. Shiltz noted his agreement with Mr. Hawk's statement.

Mr. Blair inquired how the legislation would be published to social media and "Fayette County Let's Chat" Facebook page? Mr. Denen advised that legal notices are completed and sent to the news media once legislation was passed.

At roll call the vote resulted as follows: Mr. Lynch, "Aye"; Mr. Shiltz, "Aye", Mr. Blair, "Aye"; Mr. Hawk, "Aye"; and Mr. Chrisman, "Aye".

Motion carried.

MISCELLANEOUS

Mr. Shiltz expressed his appreciation of Mr. Steve Armstrong regarding he and other members of the community placing approximately 3,000 flags around the community. Mr. Shiltz stated that the flags would remain through Independence Day. Mr. Shiltz encouraged citizens to place flags out at their homes in support.

Mr. Blair referenced a quote from John Maxwell, "The greatest mistake we can make is living in constant fear we will make one."

Mr. Lynch referenced a quote, "Sometimes all you have to do is shift your perspective to see someone else's truth."

Mr. Hawk expressed his appreciation of the Police Department. Mr. Hawk encouraged citizens support of the departments.

Mr. Hawk expressed his appreciation of the flags being placed on Washington Avenue.

Mr. Chrisman agreed with Mr. Hawk regarding the Police Department and noted the good job that is done.

Mr. Chrisman noted the report of the rise in Covid19 cases since the reopening of businesses.

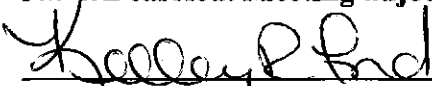
ADJOURNMENT

Mr. Lynch moved and Ms. Shiltz seconded the following motion:

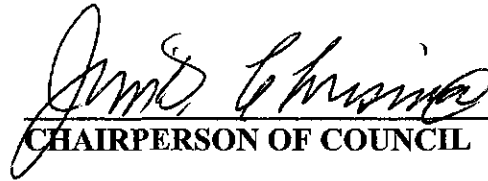
Motion: That the Regular Meeting be adjourned.

At roll call the vote resulted as follows: Mr. Lynch, "Aye"; Mr. Shiltz, "Aye"; Mr. Blair, "Aye"; Mr. Hawk, "Aye"; and Mr. Chrisman, "Aye".

Motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 09:34 a.m.



CLERK OF COUNCIL



CHAIRPERSON OF COUNCIL