

CITY OF PATASKALA

COUNCIL MEETING

January 3, 2022

The Council of the City of Pataskala met in regular session on January 3, at 7:00 PM in Council Chambers, located at 621 W. Broad Street. The pledge of allegiance was given. Roll Call: Carter, Walther, Epperson, Barstow, Hampshire, Galik, and Lee-present. Mayor Michael W. Compton presiding and Brian Zets, Law Director were present.

Lee made a motion to amend the agenda to include the meeting date being January 3, 2022, Ordinance 2022-4408, and to include Ordinance 2022-4409 and Ordinance 2022-4410. Seconded by Walther. Roll Call: Walther, Epperson, Barstow, Hampshire, Galik, Lee, and Carter-yes. Mayor Compton declared the motion passed.

Citizens Comments

There were no Citizens Comments.

Interviews

Parks and Recreation Board

Brian McGuire interviewed for the position.

Walther made a motion to confirm the appointment of Brian McGuire to the Parks and Recreation Board. Seconded by Epperson. Roll Call: Epperson, Barstow, Hampshire, Galik, Lee, Carter and Walther-yes. Council President Lee declared the motion passed.

Walther made a motion to confirm the Licking Heights School Board appointment of Jean Backs to the Parks and Recreation Board. Seconded by Barstow. Roll Call: Barstow, Hampshire, Galik, Lee, Carter, Walther, and Epperson. Council President Lee declared the motion passed.

Personnel Board of Review

Becky Smith and Mary Walker interviewed for positions on the Personnel Board of Review.

Walther made a motion to appoint Becky Smith to the Personnel Board of Review. Seconded by Barstow. Roll Call: Hampshire, Galik, Lee, Carter, Walther, Epperson, and Barstow-yes. Council President Lee declared the motion passed.

Walther made a motion to appoint Mary Walker to the Personnel Board of Review. Seconded by Barstow. Roll Call: Galik, Lee, Carter, Walther, Epperson, Barstow and Hampshire-yes. Council President Lee declared the motion passed.

Travel and Tourism

Tyler Hampshire interviewed for a position on Licking County Travel and Tourism Board.

Walther made a motion to confirm the appointment of Tyler Hampshire to the Licking County Travel and Tourism Board. Seconded by Lee. Roll Call: Lee, Carter, Walther, Epperson, Barstow, Hampshire, and Galik-yes. Council President Lee declared the motion passed.

Discussion and approval of Consent Agenda matters

Walther asked that Resolution 2022-001 and Resolution 2022-002 be placed on the regular agenda under New Business.

Walther made a motion to approve the Consent Agenda. Seconded by Barstow. Roll Call: Carter, Walther, Epperson, Barstow, Hampshire, Galik, and Lee-yes. Mayor Compton declared the motion passed.

The Consent Agenda included the Administrator's Report, Department Reports, approval of the December 6, 2021, Council Public Hearing Minutes, approval of the December 6, 2021, Council Meeting Minutes, a motion to advertise to fill vacancies on any boards or commissions, and the adoption of Resolution 2022-003, Resolution 2022-004, and Resolution 2022-005.

Reports

Mayor wished everyone a Happy New Year.

Lee expressed his appreciation for being elected to continue in the position of Council President.

Mayor Compton acknowledged Mr. Lee's donation to the Fire Fighters Association.

Tim Hickin, City Administrator noted the increase in Covid cases. He also gave an update on the work of the Wards and Boundaries Commission and expected the necessary legislation will be before Council at the next meeting. Mr. Hickin accepted questions from Council.

Jamie Nicholson, Finance Director noted the department was in the process of closing the books for 2021 and were working on the Liability Insurance Renewal. Mr. Nicholson accepted questions from Council.

Chris Sharrock, Utility Director gave a staffing update. Mr. Sharrock accepted questions from Council.

Mr. Hickin on behalf of Alan Haines, Director of Public Services addressed current projects and department activities. Mr. Hickin accepted questions from Council.

Scott Fulton, Planning Director, addressed current department activities. Mr. Fulton accepted questions from Council.

Lenier Crawford, Park Manager, will provide an update at the next meeting. He accepted questions from Council.

Chief Brooks gave an update on department activities and personnel. He accepted questions from Council.

Committee Chair Reports

Development Committee: Lee provided an update on the meeting held on December 13, 2021.

Unfinished Business

There was no unfinished business.

New Business

Walther made a motion to have the first reading of Ordinance 2022-4408. Seconded by Lee. The Clerk read the following:

ORDINANCE 2022-4408 First Reading An ordinance to amend section III (fees) of the City of Pataskala Public Records Policy

Walther made a motion to have the first reading of Ordinance 2022-4409. Seconded by Lee. The Clerk read the following:

ORDINANCE 2022-4409 First Reading An ordinance authorizing all actions necessary to effect a Governmental Electricity Aggregation Program with opt-out provisions pursuant to R.C. 4928.20 and directing the Licking County Board of Elections to submit a ballot question to the electors.

Walther made a motion to have the first reading of Ordinance 2022-4409. Seconded by Lee. The Clerk read the following:

ORDINANCE 2022-4410 <u>First Reading</u> An ordinance authorizing all actions necessary to effect a Governmental Natural Gas Aggregation Program with opt-out provisions, pursuant to R.C. 4929.26, and directing the Licking County Board of Elections to submit a ballot question to the electors.

Walther made a motion to adopt **RESOLUTION 2022-001**, a resolution authorizing all actions necessary to effect a Governmental Natural Gas Aggregation Program with optout provisions, pursuant to R.C. 4929.26, and directing the Licking County Board of Elections to submit a ballot question to the electors. Seconded by Lee. Roll Call: Barstow, Hampshire, Galik, Lee, Carter, Walther, and Epperson-no. Mayor Compton declared the motion failed.

Walther made a motion to adopt **RESOLUTION 2022-002**, a resolution authorizing all actions necessary to effect a Governmental Electricity Aggregation Program with opt-out provisions pursuant to R.C. 4928.20 and directing the Licking County Board of Elections to submit a ballot question to the electors. Seconded by Lee. Roll Call: Hampshire, Galik, Lee, Carter, Walther, Epperson, and Walther-no. Mayor Compton declared the motion failed.

Walther made a motion to appoint Mr. Lee to the West Licking Joint Fire District Board as the City's Representative. Seconded by Barstow. Roll Call: Galik, Lee, Carter, Walther, Epperson, Barstow, and Hampshire-yes. Mayor Compton declared the motion passed.

Additional Citizens' Comments

There were none.

Committee Meeting Announcements, Scheduling Issues & General Comments

Epperson wished everyone a Happy New Year.

Carter wished everyone a Happy New Year.

Galik wished everyone a Happy New Year.

Lee wished everyone a Happy New Year.

Walther expressed his thanks to Miss Brown and Mr. Sharrock and his department. They did a fantastic job and is to be commended.

Hampshire welcomed Tyler Hampshire to public service.

Barstow made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Seconded by Carter. Roll Call: Lee, Carter, Walther, Epperson, Barstow, Hampshire, and Galik-yes. Mayor Compton declared the motion passed.

Meeting Adjourned.

Minutes approved January 18, 2022.

ATTEST:

Kathy M. Hoskinson, Clerk of Council

Thomas Lee, Council President