



## CITY OF PATASKALA

### COUNCIL MEETING

January 17, 2023

The Council of the City of Pataskala met in regular session on January 17, 2023 at 7:00 PM in Council Chambers, located at 621 W. Broad Street. The pledge of allegiance was given. Roll Call: Walther, Epperson, Dandurand, Hampshire, Galik, and Lee-present. Mayor Michael W. Compton presiding and Brian Zets, Law Director were present.

#### **Citizens Comments**

There were no comments.

#### **Interviews for the Parks and Recreation Board**

Celia Galens, Chris Harbert, Rob Karssen, and Katie Slaymaker were interviewed for appointment to the Parks and Recreation Board. Paul Benedict was interviewed later in the meeting. These interviews are available through the office of the Clerk of Council in accordance with the retention schedule.

#### **Interview for the Licking County Senior Citizens Levy Board**

Timothy Allen was interviewed for an appointment to the Licking County Senior Citizens Levy Board. This interview is available through the office of the Clerk of Council in accordance with the retention schedule.

Mayor Compton announced he would not be making the Parks and Recreation Board tonight. He wanted additional time to consider the matter.

#### **Executive Session**

Walther made a motion to go into Executive Session pursuant to R.C. Section 121.22(G)(4) preparing for, conducting, or reviewing negotiations or bargaining sessions with public employees concerning their compensation or other terms and conditions of their employment. To be invited in: Mayor Compton, Bruce Brooks Police Chief, Deputy Chief Boals, Jeff Stankunas Legal Counsel, Jamie Nicholson Finance Director, Tim Hickin City Administrator and Brian Zets Law Director. Seconded by Epperson. Roll Call: Walther, Epperson, Dandurand, Hampshire, Galik, and Lee-yes. Mayor Compton declared the motion passed.

Council entered into Executive Session at 7:31 PM.

Walther made a motion to come out of Executive Session. Seconded by Epperson. Roll Call: Walther, Epperson, Dandurand, Hampshire, Galik, Lee, and Walther-yes. Mayor Compton declared the motion passed.

Council returned to open session at 7:41 PM.

## **Discussion and approval of Consent Agenda matters**

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

The Consent Agenda included the Administrator's Report, Department Reports, approval of the January 3, 2023 Council Organizational Meeting Minutes, January 3, 2023 Council Meeting Minutes, a motion to excuse the absence of Andy Walther from all meetings held on January 3, 2023, a motion to excuse the absence of Tom Lee from all meetings held on January 3, 2023, and adoption of Resolution 2023-00, Resolution 2023-004, and Resolution 2023-005 .

## **Reports**

Mayor Compton reported on an upcoming meeting of the SWLCW&SD to discuss what went right and what went wrong during the past year. He reminded the Council to be sure to File their Financial Disclosure Statements by the deadline. Mayor Compton addressed upcoming events.

Andy Walther, Council President thanked Council for their support and addressed the new seating plan. He also thanked Tom Lee for his service.

Tim Hickin, City Administrator noted the Assistant Administrator's position is posted. Mr. Hickin accepted questions from Council. He reported we had not received any applications for Ward 2 and Walther recommended a motion to repost the position with a noon, January 30<sup>th</sup> deadline and further recommended a special council meeting be held the evening of January 30<sup>th</sup> to interview and make an appointment for this position.

Jamie Nicholson gave an update on department activities and the offer made to an applicant for Assistant Finance Director. Mr. Nicholson accepted questions from Council.

Chris Sharrock gave an update on department activities and accepted questions from Council.

Alan Haines, Director of Public Services accepted questions from Council.

Scott Fulton, Planning Director gave an update on the JEDD activities and accepted questions from Council.

Lenier Crawford, Park Manager gave an update on department activities and accepted questions from Council.

Chief Brooks gave an update on new security camera. He also accepted questions from Council.

## **Committee Chair Reports**

There were none.

## **Unfinished Business**

Walther made a motion to have the third reading of Ordinance 2022-4433. Seconded by Epperson. The Clerk read the following:

**ORDINANCE 2022-4433** Third Reading An ordinance to amend the City of Pataskala Schedule of Municipal Fees and thereby amend Section D (Parks and Recreation)

Walther made a motion to adopt Ordinance 2022-4433. Seconded by Epperson. Roll Call: Hampshire, Galik, Lee, Walther, Epperson, and Dandurand-yes. Mayor Compton declared the motion passed.

Walther made a motion to have the second reading of Ordinance 2022-4443. Seconded by Epperson. The Clerk read the following:

**ORDINANCE 2023-4443** Second Reading An ordinance authorizing and directing the City Administrator to execute a guaranty agreement with the Ohio Department of Transportation

Walther made a motion amend Ordinance 2023-4443 to substitute an updated version of Exhibit A. Seconded by Epperson. Roll Call: Lee, Walther, Epperson, Dandurand, Hampshire, and Galik-yes. Mayor Compton declared the motion passed.

Walther made a motion to dispense with the third reading of Ordinance 2023-4443 as provided for in Section 4.04 of the Charter of the City of Pataskala. Seconded by Epperson. Roll Call: Walther, Epperson, Dandurand, Hampshire, Galik, and Lee-yes. Mayor Compton declared the motion passed.

Walther made a motion to adopt Ordinance 2023-4443. Seconded by Epperson. Roll Call: Walther, Epperson, Dandurand, Hampshire, Galik, and Lee-yes. Mayor Compton declared the motion passed.

### **New Business**

Epperson made a motion to have the first reading of Ordinance 2022-4440. Seconded by Lee. The Clerk read the following:

**ORDINANCE 2022-4440** First Reading An ordinance to rezone property located at 7164 Hazelton-Etna Road Parcel Number 064-153276-00.000, totaling 4.63 +/- acres in the City of Pataskala, from the local Business (LB) Zoning Classification to the Planned Development District (PDD) Zoning Classification.

Walther made a motion to have the first reading of Ordinance 2022-4444. Seconded by Epperson. The Clerk read the following:

**ORDINANCE 2023-4444** First Reading An ordinance to make supplemental appropriations for current expenses and other expenditures during the fiscal year ending December 31, 2023, and declaring an emergency.

Walther made a motion to dispense with the readings on three separate dates as provided for in Section 4.04 of the Charter of the City of Pataskala and declare an emergency. Seconded by Epperson. Roll Call: Hampshire, Galik, Lee, Walther, Epperson, and Dandurand-yes. Mayor Compton declared the motion passed.

Walther made a motion to adopt Ordinance 2023-4444. Seconded by Epperson. Roll Call: Galik, Lee, Walther, Epperson Dandurand, and Hampshire-yes. Mayor Compton declared the motion passed.

Discussion of Resolution 2023-004 was regarding the bidding, the alternate, and the scope of the project.

Walther made a motion to adopt Resolution 2023-004, a resolution authorizing and directing the City Administrator, or his designee, to advertise, receive, and review bids for the Freedom Park Improvement Project. Seconded Epperson. Roll Call: Lee, Walther, Epperson, Dandurand, Hampshire, and Galik-yes. Mayor Compton declared the motion passed.

Walther made a motion to repost the Ward2 Council position with a deadline to submit of noon, January 30<sup>th</sup> and furthermore call a Special Council Meeting for January 30 at 6:00 PM to interview, discuss and possibly take action on the submitted applications. Seconded by Epperson. Roll Call: Walther, Epperson, Dandurand, Hampshire, Galik, and Lee-yes. Mayor Compton declared the motion passed.

Walther made a motion to appoint Tim Allen to the Licking County Senior Citizens Levy Board. Seconded by Lee. Roll Call: Walther, Epperson, Dandurand, Hampshire, Galik, and Lee-yes. Mayor Compton declared the motion passed.

### **Additional Citizens' Comments**

There were none.

### **Committee Meeting Announcements, Scheduling Issues & General Comments**

Mayor Compton announced the Mayor's meeting will be held at 9:30 AM tomorrow.

Lee congratulated the new Council leadership.

Galik thanked all the applicants.

Walther suggested 45 minutes for the Utility Committee Meeting. He also recommended looking for an intern or a part time position to keep up with Facebook and updates to the City Web Site.

Dandurand was pleased to have great applicants for these positions.

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

Meeting Adjourned.

Minutes approved \_\_\_\_\_, 2023.

ATTEST:

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Kathy M. Hoskinson, Clerk of Council

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Andrew Walther, Council President

