



CITY OF PATASKALA

COUNCIL MEETING

November 20, 2023

The Council of the City of Pataskala met in regular session on November 20, 2023 at 7:00 PM in Council Chambers, located at 621 W. Broad Street. The pledge of allegiance was given. Roll Call: Hite, Walther, Epperson, Dandurand, Hampshire, Galik and Lee -present. Mayor Michael W. Compton presiding and Brian Zets, Law Director were present.

Walther made a motion to amend the agenda to move #5 item, the two executive sessions, between item #10 and item #11. Seconded by Epperson. Roll Call: Walther, Epperson, Dandurand, Hampshire, Galik, Lee, and Hite – yes. Mayor Compton declared the motion passed.

Citizens Comments

Mayor presented a proclamation to the MSSA Pataskala Lady Celtics Fall 2023 Soccer Team.

Kathy Bright, Eileen DeRolf, Fred Kintner, Greg Whited, Anna Rehl, Margaret Howe, Sean Smith, Michael Harvell, Kathy Brooks, Sue Mazonarni, Vincent Zeno, and John Kent addressed City Council. These Comments are available by audio recording through the Office of the Clerk of Council in accordance with the City's record retention schedule.

Discussion and approval of Consent Agenda matters

Walther made a motion to approve the Consent Agenda. Seconded by Epperson. Roll Call: Hite, 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 November 6, 2023 Council Meeting Minutes and a Motion to excuse the absence of Dustin Epperson from all meetings held on November 6, 2023, and approved the following Resolutions:

RESOLUTION 2023-081 – A resolution authorizing and directing the City Administrator to execute a service contract with the City of Columbus for snow and ice removal services and supplies.

RESOLUTION 2023-083 – A resolution authorizing and directing the City Administrator, or his designee, to advertise, receive, and review bids / proposals for General Engineering and Plan Review Services in 2024.

RESOLUTION 2023-084 – A resolution authorizing and directing the City Administrator, or his designee, to advertise, receive, and review bids / proposals for GIS services in 2024.

RESOLUTION 2023-085 – A resolution authorizing the Licking County Commissioners to act as the purchasing agent and governmental aggregator for the City of Pataskala Natural Gas Aggregation Program and authorizing the City Administrator to execute all documents necessary to participate in this program.

RESOLUTION 2023-086 – A resolution authorizing the Licking County Commissioners to act as the purchasing agent and governmental aggregator for the City of Pataskala Electric Aggregation Program and authorizing the City Administrator to execute all documents necessary to participate in this program.

RESOLUTION 2023-087 - A resolution authorizing and directing the City Administrator to execute a contract with Tuson LLC. for construction services for the Creek Road Force Main Upgrade Project.

Reports

Mayor Compton laid down the annual summary of Grow Licking County on everyone's desks.

Walther addressed Zets to answer the questions that were asked at the last council meeting. Those responses are available by audio recording through the Office of the Clerk of Council in accordance with the City's record retention schedule and on the City's YouTube channel for this specific meeting.

Lee also asked about the tax abatement for this specific property.

Tim Hickin, City Administrator had placed a map for the Cookie Walk on everyone's desks and it will take place December 2, 2023 from 3pm to 6pm and the parade will follow from 6pm to 7pm, the answers from the last meeting regrading the Red Rock property have been typed up and are on the table by the sign in sheet, also wanted to remind everyone that Ordinance 2022-4424 in order to defeat that rezoning would take 5 no votes, a super majority since it was a recommendation from the Planning and Zoning Commission and then accepted questions from Council.

Chris Sharrock, Assistant City Administrator mentioned there was a sound issue from the November 6th meeting on the YouTube channel but the audio recording was still working, posted to our Facebook Page of the technical difficulties the same night and then posted the audio recording to our website the next day, the 3 furnaces in the building for the maintenance program were inspected and all 3 were replaced and accepted questions from Council.

Jamie Nicholson, Finance Director mentioned that Ordinance 2023-4461 is a year-end housekeeping clean up type of supplemental and accepted questions from Council.

Trent Howell Utility Director accepted questions from Council.

Alan Haines, Director of Public Services talked to AEP about Main St. and accepted our agreement, Vine St. is wrapping up this week, Refugee will open up at the end of this week as well and accepted questions from Council.

Scott Fulton, Planning Director accepted questions from Council.

Bruce Brooks, Chief of Police advised that the Cookie Walk meeting with the Lions Club and City will happen next week and accepted questions from Council.

Committee Chair Reports

Building and Grounds Committee: Galik gave an update on the meeting.

Unfinished Business

Walther made a motion to have the third reading of Ordinance 2022-4424. Seconded by Epperson. The Clerk read the following:

ORDINANCE 2022-4424 – Third Reading - An ordinance to rezone property located at 10391 Hollow Road SW, parcel number 063-141936-00.000, totaling 160 +/- acres in the City of Pataskala, from the Agricultural (AG) Zoning Classification to the Planned Development District (PDD) Zoning Classification.

Walther made a motion to adopt Ordinance 2022-4424. Seconded by Epperson. Zets explained that in order to defeat the rezoning it would take 5 no votes, a super majority since it was a recommendation from the Planning and Zoning Commission. Roll Call: Hampshire, Galik, Epperson, Lee, Walther, and Epperson – yes. Hite and Dandurand – No. Mayor declared motion to adopt passed.

Walther made a motion to have the third reading of Ordinance 2023-4456. Seconded by Epperson. The Clerk read the following:

ORDINANCE 2023-4456 – Third Reading – An ordinance amending Ordinance 2022-4431 establishing the Allocation of Income Tax Collections received by the City of Pataskala pursuant to Ordinance 2010-3959.

Walther made a motion to adopt Ordinance 2023-4456. Seconded by Epperson. Roll Call: Galik, Lee, Hite, Walther, Epperson, Dandurand, and Hampshire – yes. Mayor declared motion to adopt passed.

Walther made a motion to have the third reading of Ordinance 2023-4457. Seconded by Epperson. The Clerk read the following:

ORDINANCE 2023-4457 - Third Reading – An ordinance to make appropriations for current expenses and other expenditures of the City of Pataskala, State of Ohio, during the fiscal year ending December 31, 2024, and to authorize approved interfund transfers.

Walther made a motion to adopt Ordinance 2023-4457. Seconded by Epperson. Roll Call: Hite, Walther, Epperson, Dandurand, Hampshire, Galik, and Lee – yes. Mayor declared motion to adopt passed.

Walther recused himself from the reading of Ordinance 2023-4459.

Galik made a motion to have the third reading of Ordinance 2023-4459. Seconded by Lee. The Clerk read the following:

ORDINANCE 2023-4459 - Third Reading - An ordinance declaring improvements to certain real property within the City of Pataskala, Ohio, to be a public purpose; describing the Public Infrastructure Improvements to be made to benefit or serve such property; requiring annual service payments in lieu of taxes; creating a Municipal Public Improvement Tax Increment Equivalent Fund for the deposit of such service payments; and authorizing the execution of a Tax Increment Financing Agreement with the owners of such property.

Epperson made a motion to adopt Ordinance 2023-4459. Seconded by Galik. Roll Call: Epperson, Dandurand, Hampshire, Galik, Lee, and Hite – yes. Mayor declared motion to adopt passed.

Walther made a motion to have the third reading of Ordinance 2023-4460. Seconded by Epperson. The Clerk read the following:

ORDINANCE 2023-4460 – Third Reading - An ordinance amending sections 171.03, 171.05, and 171.18 of the City of Pataskala Codified Ordinances (Municipal Income Tax Code)

Walther made a motion to adopt Ordinance 2023-4460. Seconded by Epperson. Roll Call: Hampshire, Galik, Lee, Hite, Walther, Epperson, and Dandurand – yes. Mayor declared motion to adopt passed.

New Business

Walther made a motion to have the first reading of Ordinance 2023-4461. Seconded by Epperson. The Clerk read the following:

ORDINANCE 2023-4461 – First Reading - An ordinance to make supplemental appropriations for current expenses and other expenditures during the fiscal year ending December 31, 2023.

Walther wanted to point out that in order to get approved this year, a reading will have to be waived and wanted to make sure Council was comfortable with that.

Walther made a motion to amend Ordinance 2023-4461. Seconded by Epperson. Roll Call: Lee, Hite, Walther, Epperson, Dandurand, Hampshire, and Galik – yes. Mayor declared motion to amend passed.

Additional Citizens' Comments

Eileen DeRolf, Kathy Brooks, Sean Smith, Erin Massara, Michael Harvell, Shannon Prior, Kathy Bright, and Eilee Burton addressed City Council. These Comments are available by audio recording through the Office of the Clerk of Council in accordance with the City's record retention schedule.

Walther made a motion to go into Executive Session pursuant to R.C. 121.22 (G)(3) To conference with an attorney for the public body concerning disputes involving the public body that is the subject of imminent court action to be included: Chris Sharrock, Trent Howell, Tim Hickin, and Brian Zets and Part A of Executive Session pursuant to R.C. 121.22 (G)(1) To consider the compensation of a public official and employee. To be included: Tim Hickin, Chris Sharrock, James Nicholson, and Brian Zets with a Part B not including Tim Hickin or Chris Sharrock. Seconded by Epperson. Roll Call: Hite, Walther, Epperson Dandurand, Hampshire, Galik, and Lee – yes. Mayor declared motion passed and went into executive session at 8:23pm

Part B of the second Executive session started at 8:57pm.

Walther made a motion to come out of executive session at 9:15pm. Seconded by Epperson. Roll Call: Epperson, Dandurand, Hampshire, Galik, Lee, Hite, and Walther – yes. Mayor declared motion passed.

Committee Meeting Announcements, Scheduling Issues & General Comments

Walter wanted to thank the Lady Celtics for coming out and wanted to congratulate them on their hard work.

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

Meeting Adjourned.

Minutes approved _____, 2023.

ATTEST:

Jessica M. Cumbo, Interim Clerk of Council

Andrew Walther, Council President

