



**CITY OF WORTHINGTON**  
**Worthington City Council Minutes**

February 12, 2018

6550 N. High Street  
Worthington, Ohio 43085

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**CALL TO ORDER – Roll Call, Pledge of Allegiance**

Worthington City Council met in Regular Session on Monday, February 12, 2018, in the John P. Coleman Council Chambers of the Louis J.R. Goorey Municipal Building, 6550 North High Street, Worthington, Ohio. President Michael called the meeting to order at or about 7:30 PM.

**ROLL CALL**

**Members Present:** Rachael R. Dorothy, Douglas Foust, Beth Kowalczyk, Scott Myers, David Robinson, Douglas K. Smith, and Bonnie D. Michael

**Member(s) Absent:**

**Also present:** Assistant City Manager Robyn Stewart, Director of Law Tom Lindsey, Director of Finance Scott Bartter, Director of Service & Engineering Dan Whited, Director of Planning & Building Lee Brown, Director of Parks & Recreation Darren Hurley, Chief of Fire & EMS John Bailot, Chief of Police Jerry Strait.

There were three visitors present.

**MOTION** Mr. Myers made a motion to appoint Lee Brown as Temporary Clerk of Council. The motion was seconded by Ms. Dorothy and passed unanimously.

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

*President Michael invited all to stand and join in reciting the Pledge of Allegiance to the flag.*

*President Michael asked for a moment of silence in recognition of the two Westerville Police Officers who were killed in the line of duty on Saturday, Eric Joehring and Anthony Morelli. At the conclusion of the moment of silence, President Michael indicated she would like to send a letter of condolence to the City of Westerville. The City Council concurred with her suggestion.*

## **NEW LEGISLATION TO BE INTRODUCED**

### **Resolution No. 08-2018**

Appointing Sean Maxfield to Serve as Mayor's Court Magistrate when the Mayor and Vice Mayor are Not Available

**Introduced by Ms. Kowalczyk.**

### **MOTION**

Mr. Robinson made a motion to adopt Resolution No. 08-2018. The motion was seconded by Mr. Foust.

**There being no comments, the motion to adopt Resolution No. 03-2018 carried unanimously by a voice vote.**

## **REPORTS OF CITY OFFICIALS**

### Policy Item(s)

- Financial Report – January 2018

*Mr. Bartter provided the following highlights for the City's financial report for January:*

- *The Fund balances for all funds increased from \$26,697,378 on January 1, 2018 to \$26,789,454 as of January 31, 2018.*
- *The General Fund balance decreased from \$13,491,664 as of January 1, 2018 to \$13,337,982 as of January 31, 2018.*
- *Expenditures across all funds tracked at 85.37% of appropriations; General fund expenditures are at 77.82% of appropriations.*
- *Year to date income tax collections are above 2017 year to date collections by 281,444 or 13.48%.*

*Ms. Dorothy noted the net profits amount included in the report reflects the funds the State of Ohio plans to collect. Mr. Bartter confirmed that is the case.*

### **MOTION**

Mr. Myers made a motion to accept the Financial Report. The motion was seconded by Mr. Smith.

**The motion carried unanimously by a voice vote.**

## Information Item(s)

- Ohio Ethics Commission Training Videos

*President Michael noted the majority of this meeting will focus on a training video on the Ohio Ethics Law. Ms. Stewart explained that since it has been a while since training on the Ohio Ethics Law was provided during a City Council meeting, this agenda item was scheduled. It will involve the hour-long video provided by the Ohio Ethics Commission which overviews key provisions in the Ethics Law. The 2018 Ethics Law Overview video was shown.*

*President Michael asked about service on a board or commission that grants funds for municipalities when the membership of the board is comprised primarily of representatives of local governments. Can a board member participate in the discussion and/or vote if one of the grant applicants is a municipality for which the member is a public official? Mr. Lindsey replied the member should certainly abstain from the vote. Additionally, he would suggest complete recusal from the discussion to avoid any appearance of a conflict.*

*The City Council completed the video and scored 100% on the quiz included in the video.*

## **REPORTS OF COUNCIL MEMBERS**

*Mr. Lindsey provided an update on the HB49 litigation. The cities presented oral arguments today and the State will present tomorrow.*

*Mr. Smith inquired about two topics: (1) how to request the construction of bathroom facilities in parks, specifically Wilson Hill Park, and (2) how to request a stop sign at Pingree & Clearview. Ms. Stewart replied that the staff will follow up on each of these items.*

*Ms. Dorothy announced a reminder about the Enchanted Evening event at the McConnell Arts Center on February 23<sup>rd</sup>.*

*President Michael thanked the Council members and the staff for the work that went into the City Council retreat. She appreciated the work, effort and time dedicated to it.*

*Ms. Stewart reminded the group that since City offices will be closed next Monday for Presidents Day, the City Council meeting will be held on Tuesday, February 20<sup>th</sup>.*

*Mr. Foust reminded the group that City Council will meet early next week for another boards and commissions interview.*

**ADJOURNMENT**

**MOTION**            Mr. Myers made a motion to adjourn. The motion was seconded by Mr. Smith.

**The motion carried unanimously by a voice vote.**

President Michael declared the meeting adjourned at 8:53 p.m.

/s/ Lee Brown  
Temporary Clerk of Council

*APPROVED by the City Council, this  
5<sup>th</sup> day of March, 2018.*

/s/ Bonnie D. Michael  
Council President