



Council Chambers

December 21, 2018 ~ 6pm

A) CALL TO ORDER

The Council for the City of Norwood met in regular session on the above date with Mrs. Donna Laake presiding. The meeting opened with a prayer and the Pledge of Allegiance.

B) PRAYER

C) PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

D) ROLL CALL

On roll call, the following members answered present: Mr. Bonsall, Mr. Clark, Mr. Thompson, Mr. Sanker, and Mr. Breadon; Ms. Stevenson and Mrs. Hanrahan were absent.

E) AMENDMENT OF AGENDA

On a motion by Mr. Clark, seconded by Mr. Thompson, it was moved to amend the agenda as follows: move the resolution honoring Deb Robison to appear next on the agenda; add a communication from Mayor Williams regarding Executive Session. All members present voted, "Yes."

F) MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING

G) REQUEST TO ADDRESS COUNCIL ON AGENDA ITEMS

Assistant Fire Chief Tom McCabe Re: Ordinance Setting Chief Pay

Assistant Fire Chief McCabe addressed Council regarding the ordinance appearing on the agenda that set the salary range for the Fire Chief and Chief of Police; he is not opposed to the ordinance setting the salary, but he doesn't think it is a wise move as the ordinance is constructed. For an Assistant Fire Chief to move into the Fire Chief position, it would now require a cut in pay, based on the range in the ordinance. Assistance Fire Chief McCabe thinks the right thing to do with the ordinance is to place it into Council's Public Safety Committee for discussion; this would allow for citizens and impacted employees to join in on the discussion.

Pastor Sonny James Re: Ordinance for Clerks Permanent Part-Time

Mr. James, of Hopkins Avenue, addressed Council regarding the ordinance dealing with permanent part-time clerks; he challenges Council to look at how we go about the things that we do. Mr. James believes public job postings are not taking place in the community; everything should be made public. Mr. James stated it is time to stop the old processes and step into the new.

H) REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES OF COUNCIL

There were no reports of standing committees.

I) THIRD READING OF ORDINANCES

1) ORDINANCE MAKING PERMANENT APPROPRIATIONS FOR THE EXPENDITURES OF THE CITY OF NORWOOD, OHIO FOR THE CALENDAR YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 2019, AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

On a motion by Mr. Bonsall, seconded by Mr. Thompson, it was moved to hear the third reading of the ordinance. All members present voted, "Yes."

On a motion by Mr. Bonsall, seconded by Mr. Clark, it was moved to pass the ordinance. All present voted, "Yes."

J) SECOND READING OF ORDINANCES

1) ORDINANCE AUTORIZING THE MAYOR OR SERVICE-SAFTEY DIRECTOR TO SIGN A LETTER APPROVING ASSIGNMENT OF COMMUNITY REINVESTMENT AREA AGREEMENT WITH THE UROLOGY GROUP REAL ESTATE HOLDING COMPANY, LLC, AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

On a motion by Mr. Sanker, seconded by Mr. Breadon, it was moved to hear the second reading of the ordinance. All members present voted, "Yes."

2) ORDINANCE SETTING SALARY RANGES FOR FIRE CHIEF AND CHIEF OF POLICE.

On a motion by Mr. Thompson, it was moved to place this matter into the Finance, Budget, and Audit Committee; due to the lack of a second, the motion failed.

Mr. Thompson spoke about the salary range and determining a benchmark for similar positions within Hamilton County and the state of Ohio. Mr. Clark stated this matter warrants more discussion. Mr. Thompson stated there is no current contract for the Fire Chief and it is important to get this right.

On a motion by Mr. Clark, seconded by Mr. Bonsall, it was moved to place the ordinance into Committee of the Whole. Mr. Sanker voted "No." All other members present voted, "Yes."

K) INTRODUCTORY READING OF ORDINANCES

1) ORDINANCE TO CHANGE APPROPRIATIONS FOR THE YEAR 2018, AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY. (Line Item Veto)

On a motion by Mr. Bonsall, seconded by Mr. Clark, it was moved to override Mayor Williams' six line-item-vetoes.

Mr. Bonsall stated the 2018 appropriations must balance; the veto puts the appropriations out of balance for the end of the year. Mr. Bonsall also stated most of the items vetoed are individual funds that were not fully used.

All members present voted, "Yes."

2) ORDINANCE TO CHANGE APPROPRIATIONS FOR THE YEAR 2018, AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

On a motion by Mr. Bonsall, seconded by Mr. Thompson, it was moved to hear the first reading of the ordinance.

Mr. Bonsall stated there was one change; Fund 97. Fund 97 is a pass-through fund for the Building Department, and grants that they receive. Mr. Thompson asked about the timing and having to get this passed by the end of the year; Mr. Bonsall confirmed this would have to be passed before the end of 2018.

All members present voted, "Yes."

3) ORDINANCE AMENDING ORDINANCE NO. 33-2009 TO ADD "CLERKS (PERMANENT PART-TIME)", AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

On a motion by Mr. Bonsall, seconded by Mr. Clark, it was moved to hear the first reading of the ordinance.

Mr. Bonsall stated there are individuals operating as employees but being paid as contractors; this will set a salary range. Clerks can be funded through personnel services with a salary range.

All members present voted, "Yes."

K) INTRODUCTORY READING OF RESOLUTIONS

1) RESOLUTION HONORING DEB ROBISON.

(resolution was considered immediately following the amendment to the agenda)

Mrs. Laake asked Ms. Robison to address Council to provide an update on Safe Routes to School; Ms. Robison stated each school area has work being accomplished and the grant totals are just under \$800,000.

On a motion by Mr. Thompson, seconded by Mr. Bonsall, it was moved to hear the first reading of the resolution in its entirety.

Mrs. Laake presented the resolution to Ms. Robison. Ms. Robison stated she is honored by the recognition; she loves Norwood and expressed her thanks to Mrs. Laake and Council.

All members present voted, "Yes."

L) ADMINISTRATION REPORTS

There were no administrative reports.

M) OTHER REQUESTS TO ADDRESS COUNCIL

Pastor Sonny James Re: Community

Mr. James stated he loves this community. Mr. James stated "good people can make mistakes," and asked for an apology from and the resignation of a member of council, based upon a 911 tape that was recently revealed.

N) UNFINISHED BUSINESS

There was no unfinished business.

O) NEW BUSINESS

Mr. Bonsall stated the city would benefit by passing the appropriations ordinance and the part-time clerk ordinance prior to the end of the year. Mrs. Laake announced Special Council Meetings to take place at 6pm on December 26th and December 27th. The three ordinances and one resolution that were not passed tonight will appear on the agenda.

Mr. Thompson requested a moment of silence to acknowledge the passing of Lisa Tanner; a moment of silence was observed by everyone in Council Chambers.

P) COMMUNICATIONS

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1) Ohio Division of Liquor Control

Re: Bravo Brio

On a motion by Mr. Sanker, seconded by Mr. Bonsall, it was moved receive and file the letter and to approve the change. All present voted, "Yes."

2) Letter from Mayor Williams

Re: Appointment: Norwood Civil Service Commission (Dolores Roettgers)

On a motion by Mr. Bonsall, seconded by Mr. Cark, it was moved to receive and file the letter. All present voted, "Yes."

3) Letter from Mayor Williams

Re: Executive Session (at the 1/22/19 meeting)

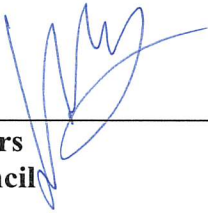
On a motion by Mr. Bonsall, seconded by Mr. Breadon, it was moved receive and file the letter, and place Executive Session on the January 22nd agenda. All present voted, "Yes."

Q) EXCUSE ABSENT MEMBER/S


On a motion by Mr. Thompson, seconded by Mr. Clark, it was moved to excuse Ms. Stevenson's and Mrs. Hanrahan's absence. All present voted, "Yes."

R) ADJOURNMENT

On a motion by Mr. Breadon, seconded by Mr. Clark, it was moved to adjourn. All members present voted, "Yes."



Joseph S. Geers
Clerk of Council



Donna M. Laake
President of Council