

**PORT CLINTON CITY COUNCIL MINUTES
REGULAR MEETING**

Due to the coronavirus pandemic, the November 24, 2020, regular meeting of the Port Clinton City Council was held via Zoom, rather than in the Linda Hartlaub City Hall Chambers. Lisa Sarty, President of Council, presided and the meeting opened at 6:00 p.m.

Mr. Tarolli moved to waive opening formalities and proceeded to roll call; seconded by Mrs. Hickman: all agreed.

The roll was called and the following council members were present: Pat Hovis, Beth Gillman, Margaret Phillips, Roseann Hickman, Brian Hild, Jerry Tarolli, and Gabe Below.

Mr. Tarolli moved to adopt minutes for November 10, 2020; seconded by Mr. Below: all agreed.

The chair noted certification had been received regarding the compliance with the rules and notification of this meeting.

GUEST PRESENTATION None

PUBLIC COMMENT None

PRESIDENT OF COUNCIL Due to the increase in positive COVID-19 cases all Council meetings will be conducted via Zoom until further notice.

Committee meeting can be conducted via Zoom. Committee chairman contact Mrs. Ostheimer to post announcement of meetings.

Ordinance 27-20, Ordinance 28-20, and Ordinance 29-20 will be assigned to the Finance Committee to review and advice.

Wishing all a healthy and safe Thanksgiving.

MAYOR’S REPORT

Michelle Bryant of Port Clinton has been hired as the new Tax Commissioner. Ms. Bryant’s first day will be Monday, December 7, 2020.

ODOT will be having a virtual public meeting regarding a proposed roundabout on State Road and State Route 53 north. Date: Wednesday, December 2, 2020 at 4:00 p.m. Further instructions have been posted on the City’s Facebook page.

Every Wednesday morning the Ottawa County Emergency Management Agency holds a COVID-19 update; many key individuals throughout the county are participants of the call. When a county is under a RED level in the state of Ohio all residents of a nursing home facility are locked down in their rooms. The Port Clinton City Schools (elementary and middle school) created cards and pictures for the residents of Ottawa County Riverview Healthcare Campus. Chief Johnson delivered the items and the staff and residence where delighted to receive them.

The Port Clinton Fire Department is having a food drive for local food pantries. Donations can be taken to the Port Clinton Fire Department through the first week of December. Any monetary donations please make the check payable to Port Clinton Fire Fighters Association.

The Port Clinton Fire Department is collecting candy. This candy will be bagged and provided to the students and staff at Immaculate Conception, Bataan Memorial Intermediate Elementary and Bataan Memorial Primary School. Candy donations will be accepted until Wednesday, December 2, 2020 by 12:00 p.m.

Operation Loud Rudolph will take place on Sunday, December 6, 2020 at 2:00 p.m. Santa will start his journey around town starting at the Port Clinton Fire Department and going the same route as the Mobile Car Shows this past summer.

The Gift of Light trees are currently at Adams Street Park. Contact the Port Clinton Area Chamber of Commerce if you would like to participate. Each tree is \$35.00.

Voting will begin Saturday, December 5th. Ballot boxes will be available at several locations throughout downtown Port Clinton. The winning tree (organization) will get to choose where all the money received will be donated.

Saturday, November 28, 2020, is "Small Business Saturday". Mayor Snider encourages all to shop at our local businesses.

Governor DeWine issued an order that masks must be worn when entering retail settings (employees and patrons) as an aid to reduce COVID-19. Ottawa County Emergency Agency has distributed masks to Port Clinton Chamber of Commerce to hand out free of charge.

The Christmas tree downtown was put in place on November 13th. On November 15nd there was a fierce wind and hailstorm that came through Port Clinton. Police Officer Curt Cochran radioed to dispatch that the Christmas tree was in need of assistance to survive the storm. When severe weather is predicted in the area there are several individuals at the Port Clinton Fire Station. A huge Thank You to Fire Chief Kent Johnson, Assistant Chief Chuck Zillman, Fire Lieutenant Trevor Johnson, Fire Engineer Lucas Johnson and Fire Fighter Karl Kopchak for saving the City's Christmas tree.

The downtown Christmas tree was lit on Friday, November 20th.

Have a safe and Happy Thanksgiving.

AUDITOR'S REPORT

Ordinance 27-20 is an appropriation ordinance for the first part of 2021. After the first of the year, he will meet with the Finance Committee to discuss further.

Have a safe and Happy Thanksgiving.

TREASURER'S REPORT

Mrs. Sarty announced Dock tax \$28,850.00. / Bed tax \$162,117.72

LAW DIRECTOR REPORT

Originally it was thought that the Infrastructure Ordinance would be three separate ordinances. However, they were able to be condensed to two ordinances.

Happy Thanksgiving.

SAFETY SERVICE

Happy and Safe Thanksgiving

POLICE CHIEF REPORT

Not present

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Mr. Below:

Finance Committee: Nothing to present

Economic & Community Development Committee: The Flag Design Competition survey will be available until December 4, 2020. The survey can be found on the City of Port Clinton Facebook page and portclinton.com.

Mrs. Hickman:

Environment & Public Works Committee: Nothing to present

Ms. Phillips:

Safety Services Committee: Nothing to present

Mrs. Gillman:

Arts & Culture Committee: Nothing to present

CORRESPONDANCE

None

WHEN THE FOLLOWING ORDINANCES WERE READ ALL COUNCIL MEMBERS WERE ABLE TO SEE AND HEAR VIA ZOOM.

THIRD READINGS

Ordinance 26-20

AN ORDINANCE TO APPROVE OCTOBER 2020 REPLACEMENT PAGES TO THE PORT CLINTON CODIFIED ORDINANCES AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

Mr. Below moved to retain the emergency clause of Ordinance 26-20; seconded by Mr. Tarolli.

Results of a voice roll call are as follows: Below, yes; Hovis, yes; Gillman, yes; Phillips, yes; Hickman; yes, Hild, yes; and Mr. Tarolli, yes. Motion carried, 7-0: per Mrs. Sarty.

Mr. Below moved to approve Ordinance 26-20; seconded by Ms. Phillips.

Results of a voice roll call are as follows: Below, yes; Hovis, yes; Gillman, yes; Phillips, yes; Hickman; yes, Hild, yes; and Mr. Tarolli, yes. Motion carried, 7-0: per Mrs. Sarty.

SECOND READINGS

FIRST READINGS

Ordinance 27-20

AN ORDINANCE APPROPRIATING CERTAIN FUNDS FOR THE OPERATION OF THE CITY OF PORT CLINTON, OHIO

No action taken – Ordinance 27-20 will be moved to a second reading on December 8, 2020, at the regular scheduled Council meeting.

Ordinance 28-20

AN ORDINANCE ESTABLISHING A MONTHLY INFRASTRUCTURE FEE TO FUND THE SANITARY SEWER, STORM SEWER, WATERLINE, AND ASSOCIATED PAVEMENT RESURFACING IMPROVEMENTS PORTION OF THE PORT CLINTON INFRASTRUCTURE IMPROVEMENT PROJECT AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

No action taken – Ordinance 28-20 will be moved to a second reading on December 8, 2020, at the regular scheduled Council meeting.

Ordinance 29-20

AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING AND DIRECTING THE DIRECTOR OF SAFETY AND SERVICE TO NEGOTIATE AND ENTER INTO AN AGREEMENT WITH A DESIGN ENGINEERING SERVICE COMPANY FOR THE FINAL DESIGN SERVICES OF THE PORT CLINTON INFRASTRUCTURE IMPROVEMENT PROJECT AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

No action taken – Ordinance 29-20 will be moved to a second reading on December 8, 2020, at the regular scheduled Council meeting.

BUSINESS FROM THE FLOOR

Mr. Hild – A replacement has been selected to fulfill the remainder of his term as he is moving out of Ward 2. An announcement will be made in the near future.

Have a wonderful Thanksgiving.

Ms. Phillips – Reminder to wear masks and stay six feet apart.
Happy Thanksgiving.

Mrs. Hickman – Suggested to Mayor Snider to present his park plan to each Council Member.

Wishing all a safe and Happy Thanksgiving

Ms. Hovis – Have a safe and Happy Thanksgiving

Mr. Below – Inquired with Ms. Shenker; the third ordinance that was mentioned at the presentation was to be authorization for financing?

Ms. Shenker advised that was correct. However, in reviewing the prior ordinance for the Safety Service Director to seek funding (loans) covered this part of the design phase of the Infrastructure Project.

Mr. Below addressed the email he sent to Council about a potential dog park at the Waterworks Park.

Mrs. Sarty assigned the potential dog park to Environment & Public Works Committee and Finance Committee to review and advice.

Discussion among the Council members ensued regarding cost, concerns about safety with a baseball field nearby, fencing, and rules.

Mrs. Gillman – Wishing everyone for a safe and Happy Thanksgiving.

Bistro 163 will be serving over 450 Thanksgiving dinners tomorrow evening.

Mr. Tarolli – Good Luck Mr. Hild. Have Happy Thanksgiving to all.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

None

ADJOURNMENT

With no further business to discuss Ms. Phillips moved to adjourn; seconded by Mr. Tarolli. With all those in favor, the meeting was adjourned at 6:51 p.m.

Sandra Ostheimer
Clerk of Council

Lisa Sarty
President of Council