## Minutes of WEST CARROLLTON CITY COUNCIL REGULAR Meeting

Held September 12, 2023

The meeting was called to order by Mayor Sanner at 6:30 p.m. The Pledge of Allegiance and Roll Call followed.

PRESENT: Mayor Jeff Sanner, Councilmembers Rick Barnhart, Angie Fryman, Keith Tilton, Rick Dobson, Jill Tomlin, and Amanda Zennie. City Staff – City Manager Brad Townsend, Law Director Lori Denlinger, Service Director Rich Norton, Finance Director Julie Duffy, and Clerk of Council Tracy Moore.

## **MINUTES**

Mrs. Fryman moved, seconded by Mrs. Zennie to approve the regular meeting minutes of August 22, 2023. A vote was taken: Mr. Barnhart-yes, Mrs. Fryman-yes, Mr. Tilton-yes, Mr. Dobson-yes, Mrs. Tomlin-abstain, Mrs. Zennie-yes, and Mayor Sanner-yes.

#### PUBLIC HEARINGS

None

## **COMMUNICATIONS AND PRESENTATIONS**

Oath of Office & Badge Pinning for Police Officer Luka Savic

Mayor Sanner stated this will be postponed to a later date.

<u>Resolution 32-2023</u> – A Resolution Acknowledging The Appreciation Of The Citizens And Public Officials Of The City Of West Carrollton For Services Rendered Unto Said City By Kirk A. Bragg.

Mayor Sanner moved, seconded by Mrs. Fryman to approve Resolution 32-2023. A vote was taken: Mr. Barnhart-yes, Mrs. Fryman-yes, Mr. Tilton-yes, Mr. Dobson-yes, Mrs. Tomlin-yes, Mrs. Zennie-yes, and Mayor Sanner-yes.

<u>Resolution 33-2023</u> – A Resolution Acknowledging The Appreciation Of The Citizens And Public Officials Of The City Of West Carrollton For Services Rendered Unto Said City By Tonya S. Buerschen.

Mayor Sanner moved, seconded by Mrs. Tomlin to approve Resolution 33-2023. A vote was taken: Mr. Barnhart-yes, Mrs. Fryman-yes, Mr. Tilton-yes, Mr. Dobson-yes, Mrs. Tomlin-yes, Mrs. Zennie-yes, and Mayor Sanner-yes.

Mr. Norton gave a brief background on Mr. Bragg and Mrs. Buerschen's career history with the city. He thanked them for their service, and also congratulated them on their retirement.

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### COMMENTS BY THE AUDIENCE

Melissa Enterman, from 3390 Carlin Drive, addressed Council to relay her personal experience of what occurred at her residence on August 12, 2023 involving the protests.

Lucas Van Ausdoll, from 2170 West Alex-Bell Road, addressed Council to express concerns about what happened with the incidents that occurred with the condemned property on Central Avenue.

Melea Butcher, from 13 Reddington Court, addressed Council to inquire if any resolution or determination was made after the review of incidents that occurred with the condemned property on Central Avenue.

### **UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

None

#### **NEW BUSINESS**

Ordinance 3756 – An Ordinance To Make Appropriations For Current Expenses And Other Expenditures Of The City Of West Carrollton, State Of Ohio, During The Fiscal Year Ending December 31, 2023, Amending Ordinance 3751, And Repealing Any Ordinances In Conflict Herewith.

Mrs. Duffy presented Ordinance 3756. She explained this ordinance will increase the city's fiscal appropriation in effect for 2023 to cover some unknown expenditures. The request is to increase the total appropriation by \$152,500, which will add \$92,500 to the general fund and \$60,000, to other funds.

Mayor Sanner asked if there were any questions for Mrs. Duffy. There were none. Mayor Sanner stated this is the first reading of Ordinance 3756, and it will be on the agenda at the next meeting.

#### REPORTS BY OFFICERS

Mr. Norton provided some construction updates. He reminded everyone the paving program will begin on Monday, September 18, 2023, weather permitting. The roads to be paved are in the Lindbergh Avenue area, Maplehill Drive area, East Main Street area, and a few alleys in town. Mr. Norton also stated the Well #5 project began on Monday by Moody's drilling the well at the well field.

Cheryl Dillin gave a statement on her interactions with the chief code enforcement officer. She also gave updates on the following events:

 Rockin' the River will be held on Saturday, September 30th at the park by the river. Tickets are currently being sold online for \$5, but will increase to \$10. The

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- performer is the Michael Jackson Tribute Band. All of the proceeds will benefit the Montgomery County Law Enforcement Memorial.
- The City of West Carrollton will be "soft" launching a new website. Yvonne, PR/Communication Manager, is heading up this project. Any issue should be reported to Yvonne.
- MVCC will provide a link to view the Whitewater Presentation that took place at the High School on Thursday, September 7th. This link will be available through the city's social media.
- The new city logo apparel will be rolling out to Council and members of City Staff first, with plans to roll it out to others at a later date.

## **UNSCHEDULED BUSINESS**

## Comments by the Audience

Lucas Van Ausdoll, from 2170 West Alex-Bell Road, addressed Council regarding the body camera footage. He also inquired if the investigation was complete.

Melea Butcher, from 13 Reddington Court, addressed Council to clarify if the investigation was concluded.

Lucas Van Ausdoll, from 2170 West Alex-Bell Road, addressed Council to advise he would provide additional information if needed.

## Comments by Council

Mrs. Fryman made a statement, and provided her point of view regarding the situation that occurred on Central Avenue.

Mr. Barnhart stated he reviewed the situation on Central Avenue, and provided his point of view.

Mr. Tilton advised the redacted body camera footage is public record, along with Mr. Townsend's report. He also advised due to lack of interest, MVCC will not pursue gas aggregation. Finally, he explained the electric aggregation is an opt-out program.

Mr. Dobson clarified his point of view regarding the situation on Central Avenue. He also mentioned MVCC has a broadcast of the Whitewater Presentation from September 7, 2023. Finally, he mentioned a fundraising event, Pirate Island Fest, to benefit the West Carrollton Athletic Board. This event will take place on September 23, 2023.

Mrs. Tomlin made an apology for assuming condemnation orders on Central Avenue were because the water was shut off, and apologized for her comments on Facebook. She clarified that she did not know Mr. Van Ausdoll was a part of the Fire Department. Finally, she shared her point of view on what occurred with this situation.

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## **RECESS**

Mayor Sanner moved, seconded by Mr. Barnhart to recess to an executive session pursuant to Ohio Revised Code 121.22(G)(1) to consider the appointment, employment, or compensation of a public employee, to return for adjournment. A vote was taken: Mr. Barnhart-yes, Mrs. Fryman-yes, Mr. Tilton-yes, Mr. Dobson-yes, Mrs. Tomlin-yes, Mrs. Zennie-yes, and Mayor Sanner-yes.

## **EXECUTIVE SESSION**

PRESENT: Mayor Jeff Sanner, Councilmembers Rick Barnhart, Angie Fryman, Keith Tilton, Rick Dobson, Jill Tomlin, and Amanda Zennie. City Staff – Law Director Lori Denlinger.

Council met in executive session pursuant to Ohio Revised Code 121.22 (G)(1) to consider the appointment, employment, or compensation of a public employee.

### **ADJOURNMENT**

With no further business, Mayor Sanner moved, seconded by Mr. Barnhart to adjourn the City Council Meeting of September 12, 2023. A vote was taken: Mr. Barnhart-yes, Mrs. Fryman-yes, Mr. Tilton-yes, Mr. Dobson-yes, Mrs. Tomlin-yes, Mrs. Zennie-yes, and Mayor Sanner-yes. The meeting was adjourned at 9:45 p.m.

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