

RECORD OF PROCEEDINGS

Minutes of WEST CARROLLTON CITY COUNCIL REGULAR Meeting

Held January 9,

2024

The meeting was called to order by Mayor Barnhart at 6:30 p.m. The Pledge of Allegiance followed.

OATH OF OFFICE

Law Director Denlinger administered the Oath of Office to Mayor Barnhart.

Mayor Barnhart administered the Oath of Office to Councilmember Fryman and Councilmember Tomlin.

ROLL CALL

PRESENT: Mayor Rick Barnhart, Councilmembers Amanda Zennie, Angie Fryman, Keith Tilton, Rick Dobson, and Jill Tomlin. City Staff – City Manager Amber Holloway, Law Director Lori Denlinger, Service Director Rich Norton, Planning & Community Development Director Greg Gaines, Police Chief Doug Woodard, Communications Manager Yvonne Concepcion, and Clerk of Council Tracy Moore.

APPOINTMENT OF DEPUTY MAYOR

Mrs. Tomlin moved, seconded by Mayor Barnhart to appoint Angie Fryman as Deputy Mayor for 2024. A vote was taken: Mrs. Zennie-yes, Mrs. Fryman-abstain, Mr. Tilton-yes, Mr. Dobson-yes, Mrs. Tomlin-yes, and Mayor Barnhart-yes.

MINUTES

Mrs. Fryman moved, seconded by Mrs. Zennie to approve the regular meeting minutes of December 12, 2023. A vote was taken: Mrs. Zennie-yes, Mrs. Fryman-yes, Mr. Tilton-yes, Mr. Dobson-yes, Mrs. Tomlin-yes, and Mayor Barnhart-yes.

PUBLIC HEARINGS

None

COMMUNICATIONS AND PRESENTATIONS

Resolution 1-2024 – A Resolution Acknowledging The Appreciation Of The Citizens And Public Officials Of The City Of West Carrollton For Services Rendered Unto Said City By Bradley J. Townsend.

Mayor Barnhart introduced Resolution 1-2024. Deputy Mayor Fryman read the resolution in its entirety.

Mrs. Fryman moved, seconded by Mr. Dobson to approve Resolution 1-2024. A vote was taken: Mrs. Zennie-yes, Mrs. Fryman-yes, Mr. Tilton-yes, Mr. Dobson-yes, Mrs. Tomlin-yes, and Mayor Barnhart-yes.

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Mayor Barnhart presented Mr. Townsend a signed copy of the resolution. Mayor Barnhart and Councilmembers congratulated and wished Mr. Townsend well in retirement.

COMMENTS BY THE AUDIENCE

None

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

None

NEW BUSINESS

Appointment of Council Representatives to various Boards and Commissions for 2024, including Tracy Moore as the Public Records Training Designee, pursuant to Ohio Revised Code 109.43(b).

Mr. Tilton moved, seconded by Mrs. Tomlin to appoint Council Representatives to the various Boards and Commissions for 2024, including Tracy Moore as the Public Records Training Designee, pursuant to Ohio Revised Code 109.43(b). A vote was taken: Mrs. Zennie-yes, Mrs. Fryman-yes, Mr. Tilton-yes, Mr. Dobson-yes, Mrs. Tomlin-yes, and Mayor Barnhart-yes.

Appointment of Council Representatives to Firefighters' Dependents Fund Board for 2024.

Mayor Barnhart moved, seconded by Mrs. Zennie to appoint Angie Fryman and Keith Tilton as the Council Representatives to the Firefighters' Dependents Fund Board for 2024. A vote was taken: Mrs. Zennie-yes, Mrs. Fryman-yes, Mr. Tilton-yes, Mr. Dobson-yes, Mrs. Tomlin-yes, and Mayor Barnhart-yes.

Re-appointments to Various Boards and Commissions:

- Misty Potts Board of Zoning Appeals
- Janet Myers Board of Zoning Appeals
- Harold Robinson Planning Commission
- James Bowers Income Tax Board of Review
- James Snyder II Personnel Appeals Board

Mrs. Fryman moved, seconded by Mr. Tilton to re-appoint Misty Potts and Janet Myers to the Board of Zoning Appeals, Harold Robinson to the Planning Commission, James Bowers to the Income Tax Board of Review, and James Snyder II to the Personnel Appeals Board. A vote was taken: Mrs. Zennie-yes, Mrs. Fryman-yes, Mr. Tilton-yes, Mr. Dobson-yes, Mrs. Tomlin-yes, and Mayor Barnhart-yes.

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REPORTS BY OFFICERS

Law Director Denlinger and City Manager Holloway congratulated Mayor Barnhart, Deputy Mayor Fryman and Councilmember Tomlin.

Mr. Norton thanked Mayor Barnhart.

UNSCHEDULED BUSINESS

Comments by the Audience

None

Comments by Council

Mayor Barnhart and Councilmembers congratulated the Mayor, Deputy Mayor, and Councilmember Tomlin on their election/re-election. They also welcomed City Manager Holloway.

Mrs. Fryman thanked Council for the appointment to Deputy Mayor. She also thanked the community for their support.

Mrs. Tomlin thanked her family for attending the meeting to show their support.

Mayor Barnhart stated he hopes we start to see some infrastructural work begin in the River District this year, along with progress towards making the Whitewater Project a reality. He also stated Council and the City are looking to enrich their relationship with the West Carrollton School Board and School District.

RECESS

Mayor Barnhart moved, seconded by Mrs. Zennie to recess to a Work Session to discuss the items on the agenda. A vote was taken: Mrs. Zennie-yes, Mrs. Fryman-yes, Mr. Tilton-yes, Mr. Dobson-yes, Mrs. Tomlin-yes, and Mayor Barnhart-yes.

Mayor Barnhart moved, seconded by Mrs. Tomlin to recess to an Executive Session pursuant to ORC 121.22 (G)(1): To consider the appointment, employment, dismissal, discipline, promotion, demotion, or compensation of a public employee or official, to return for adjournment. A vote was taken: Mrs. Zennie-yes, Mrs. Fryman-yes, Mr. Tilton-yes, Mr. Dobson-yes, Mrs. Tomlin-yes, and Mayor Barnhart-yes.

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WORK SESSION

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Wastewater Treatment Plant Improvement Discussion

Service Director Norton provided a presentation to Council on proposed upgrades to the Wastewater Treatment Plant. He explained that the Master Plan conducted in 2023 identified several components in the plant to be past their useful life and/or maintenance intensive. He advised that they intended to bring a resolution forward on the January 23, 2024 meeting agenda for authorization to apply for a loan through Ohio EPA and Ohio Water Development Authority (OWDA) for design services.

Mr. Tilton asked if the capacity of the plant would be increased as a result of the improvements. Mr. Norton advised that the improvements would not increase capacity. Mrs. Zennie asked if we will discuss how we will pay for these improvements. Mr. Norton responded yes, noting that the sewer fund was healthy.

Mr. Tilton asked about the loan structure and rate. Mr. Norton explained that the design engineering phase was a 5 year, 0% interest loan, noting that the City could also choose to roll this loan into the future construction loan. Ms. Holloway advised that proceeding with the design engineering phase did not obligate Council to proceed with the upgrades to the plant.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

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

Council met in Executive Session pursuant to ORC 121.22 (G)(1): To consider the appointment, employment, dismissal, discipline, promotion, demotion, or compensation of a public employee or official.

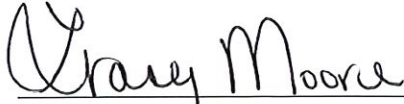
ADJOURNMENT

With no further business, Mayor Barnhart moved, seconded by Mr. Tilton to adjourn the City Council Meeting of January 9, 2024. A vote was taken: Mrs. Zennie-yes, Mrs. Fryman-yes, Mr. Tilton-yes, Mr. Dobson-yes, Mrs. Tomlin-yes, and Mayor Barnhart-yes. The meeting was adjourned at 9:27 p.m.

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Clerk of Council



Mayor