

RECORD OF PROCEEDINGS

Minutes of WEST CARROLLTON CITY COUNCIL REGULAR Meeting

Held February 27,

2024

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

ROLL CALL

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

MINUTES

Mrs. Fryman moved, seconded by Mrs. Tomlin to approve the regular meeting minutes of February 13, 2024. A vote was taken: Mr. Boyle-yes, Mr. Dobson-yes, Mrs. Tomlin-yes, Mrs. Zennie-yes, Mrs. Fryman-yes, Mr. Tilton-yes, and Mayor Barnhart-yes.

PUBLIC HEARINGS

None

COMMUNICATIONS AND PRESENTATIONS

None

COMMENTS BY THE AUDIENCE

James Napper, from 43 Reddington Court, addressed Council to advise the Lions Club will hold their Corned Beef and Cabbage / Chicken and Noodles dinner on March 16, 2024 from 4:00 p.m. until 7:00 p.m. at the Memorial United Methodist Church. The dinner is \$15.00 payable at the door.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Ordinance 3765 – 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, 2024, Amending Ordinance 3758, And Repealing Any Ordinances In Conflict Herewith.

Mayor Barnhart stated this is the second reading of this ordinance. He asked if there were any additional questions or comments. There were none.

Mrs. Fryman moved, seconded by Mr. Tilton to approve Ordinance 3765. A vote was taken: Mr. Boyle-yes, Mr. Dobson-yes, Mrs. Tomlin-yes, Mrs. Zennie-yes, Mrs. Fryman-yes, Mr. Tilton-yes, and Mayor Barnhart-yes.

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NEW BUSINESS

Mayor Barnhart introduced Resolution 12-2024.

Resolution 12-2024 – A Resolution Declaring It Necessary To Provide For Lighting The Streets, Lanes And Other Public Ways In The City Of West Carrollton, Ohio With Electric Lighting During The Year 2023 And Authorizing The Assessments For The Cost And Expense Thereof Upon All Lots And Lands Lying And Being Within The Corporate Limits Of Said City.

Mayor Barnhart stated Finance Director Duffy presented legislation in regards to the street lights in the Work Session of the February 13, 2024 meeting. This is the first step in the process. He asked if there were additional questions or comments for City Manager Holloway. There were none.

Mrs. Zennie moved, seconded by Mr. Boyle to approve Resolution 12-2024. A vote was taken: Mr. Boyle-yes, Mr. Dobson-yes, Mrs. Tomlin-yes, Mrs. Zennie-yes, Mrs. Fryman-yes, Mr. Tilton-yes, and Mayor Barnhart-yes.

Ordinance 3766 - An Ordinance Determining To Proceed With The Lighting Of Streets, Lanes And Other Public Ways In The City Of West Carrollton, Ohio. (1st Reading)

Mayor Barnhart stated this is the second step in the street light process. He asked if there were additional questions or comments for City Manager Holloway. There were none. Mayor Barnhart stated this is the first reading of Ordinance 3766. It will be on the next agenda.

Ordinance 3767 - An Ordinance Levying Special Assessments For The Lighting Of Streets, Lanes And Other Public Ways In The City Of West Carrollton, Ohio With Electric Lighting. (1st Reading)

Mayor Barnhart stated this is the third and final step of the street light process. He asked if there were additional questions or comments for City Manager Holloway. There were none. Mayor Barnhart stated this is the first reading of Ordinance 3767. It will be on the next agenda.

REPORTS BY OFFICERS

City Manager Holloway reported that she visited the Ohio State House with Mayor Barnhart, Councilmember Dobson, and Economic Development Director Lucking. They met with Senator Huffman and Representative Edwards to share details about the River District and Whitewater Projects.

UNSCHEDULED BUSINESS

Comments by the Audience

None

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Comments by Council

Mayor Barnhart thanked Troy Gearhart, from the Service Department, for going above and beyond in assisting a citizen on his off time. He also thanked Yvonne Concepcion, Communications Manager, for going above and beyond by assisting the Police Department with translating in a situation where there was a language barrier.

RECESS

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

Mayor Barnhart moved, seconded by Mr. Tilton to recess to an Executive Session pursuant to ORC 121.22 (G)(2): To consider the sale of property that is unneeded, to return for adjournment. A vote was taken: Mr. Boyle-yes, Mr. Dobson-yes, Mrs. Tomlin-yes, Mrs. Zennie-yes, Mrs. Fryman-yes, Mr. Tilton-yes, and Mayor Barnhart-yes.

WORK SESSION

PRESENT: Mayor Rick Barnhart, Councilmembers Mike Boyle, Rick Dobson, Jill Tomlin, Amanda Zennie, Angie Fryman, and Keith Tilton. City Manager Amber Holloway, Law Director Lori Denlinger, Planning & Community Development Director Greg Gaines, Economic Development Director Mike Lucking, Joe Tuss, Todd DuPlain, and Larry Dillin.

Western Lakes Update – Greg Gaines

City Manager Holloway introduced the Western Lakes Master Plan update, noting that it had been about one year since Council had discussed this plan. She advised that the area on the west side of town would be a topic of discussion in the coming months.

Planning & Community Development Director Gaines presented the Western Lakes Master Plan. He explained that this plan could be followed very closely or modified based on the community's needs and finances. A general discussion regarding the possibility of acquiring access to the lakes ensued.

Mayor Barnhart and Mrs. Zennie expressed that they liked the plan. Mr. Boyle said he felt that proximity to the train tracks could be a deterrent for camping in this area, as stated in the plan. A general discussion about liability, ownership, and maintenance ensued. City Manager Holloway stated that all that would be part of any consideration to proceed with plan implementation.

Mayor Barnhart stated that the lakes had looked the same since the 1980s and noted that it was time to do something. The consensus was to pursue further discussions on Phase I.

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EXECUTIVE SESSION

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Council met in Executive Session pursuant to ORC 121.22 (G)(2): To consider the sale of property that is unneeded.

Executive Session concluded at 9:16 p.m. and Council returned to the regular session.

ADJOURNMENT

With no further business, Mayor Barnhart moved, seconded by Mrs. Zennie to adjourn the City Council Meeting of February 27, 2024. A vote was taken: Mr. Boyle-yes, Mr. Dobson-yes, Mrs. Zennie-yes, Mrs. Fryman-yes, Mr. Tilton-yes, and Mayor Barnhart-yes. The meeting was adjourned at 9:17 p.m.


Clerk of Council


Mayor