Minutes of WEST CARROLLTON CITY COUNCIL REGULAR Meeting

Held March 26, 2024

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

ROLL CALL

PRESENT: Deputy Mayor Fryman, Councilmembers Amanda Zennie, Mike Boyle, Rick Dobson, and Jill Tomlin. City Manager Amber Holloway, Law Director Lori Denlinger, Police Chief Doug Woodard, Service Director Rich Norton, Civil Engineer John Vance, and Clerk of Council Tracy Moore.

EXCUSED: Mayor Rick Barnhart and Councilmember Keith Tilton

MINUTES

Mrs. Zennie moved, seconded by Mrs. Tomlin to approve the regular meeting minutes of March 12, 2024. A vote was taken: Mrs. Zennie-yes, Mr. Boyle-yes, Mr. Dobson-yes, Mrs. Tomlin-yes, and Deputy Mayor Fryman-abstain.

PUBLIC HEARINGS

None

COMMUNICATIONS AND PRESENTATIONS

Police Department Awards for 2023

The following Police Department employees were presented awards for their actions and accomplishments during 2023:

Chief's Commendation – All Police Department Employees
Perfect Attendance – Officer Zach Taylor
Commendation – Sergeant John Perry
Exemplary Service – Detective Scott Lawson
Exemplary Service – Sergeant Alex Flynn
Employee of the Year – Officer Paige Callahan

Chief Woodard highlighted the accomplishments of all award recipients, and presented them with a certificate and/or plaque. Councilmembers and Deputy Mayor Fryman congratulated the award recipients. They also thanked all Police Department staff for what they do for the city.

COMMENTS BY THE AUDIENCE

James Napper, from 43 Reddington Court, addressed Council to thank them and the citizens for attending the Lions Club Corned Beef and Cabbage / Chicken and Noodles dinner. He also advised the Lions Club will hold an Easter Celebration Egg Hunt at the West Carrollton Soccer Complex on Saturday, March 30, 2024 beginning at 10:00 a.m., rain or shine.

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UNFINISHED BUSINESS

None

NEW BUSINESS

Deputy Mayor Fryman introduced Resolution 15-2024.

<u>Resolution 15-2024</u> – A Resolution Authorizing The City Manager To Enter Into A Contract Addendum With Rumpke Of Ohio, Inc. To Extend The Current Recycling Contract Until September 30, 2024.

City Manager Holloway presented Resolution 15-2024. She explained our current recycling contract with Rumpke will expire March 31, 2024. This resolution will allow her to sign an agreement with Rumpke that would extend our services for six months.

Deputy Mayor Fryman asked if there were further questions or comments. There were none.

Mrs. Tomlin moved, seconded by Mr. Dobson to approve Resolution 15-2024. A vote was taken: Mrs. Zennie-yes, Mr. Boyle-yes, Mr. Dobson-yes, Mrs. Tomlin-yes, and Deputy Mayor Fryman-yes.

<u>Ordinance 3768</u> – An Ordinance Levying Special Assessments For The Repair Of Certain Described Sidewalks And Curbs In The City Of West Carrollton, Ohio For The 2023 Program. (1st reading)

City Manager Holloway presented Ordinance 3768. This ordinance authorizes the assessment for the repair of the 2023 curb and sidewalk program. All work is completed. The assessments total \$537,021.98.

Deputy Mayor Fryman asked if there were questions or comments. There were none. Deputy Mayor Fryman stated this is the first reading of this ordinance. It will be on the next agenda.

REPORTS BY OFFICERS

City Manager Holloway stated she presented Council with the final copy of the 2024 Annual Budget in accordance with section 6.02 of the City Charter. A copy of the budget can be obtained at the Civic Center upon request. She also stated a portion of Alex-Bell Road, between Lindbergh Blvd. and the overpass of I-75 will be closed overnight, from 7:00 p.m. to 5:00 a.m., to allow for a utility connection for the West Carrollton Schools. Ms. Holloway reported the new playground at Wilson Park is now open to the public. She reported the pool passes are now on sale at the Civic Center and on the website. www.westcarrollton.org Finally, she congratulated and thanked all of the Police Department annual award recipients.

Civil Engineer Vance stated Alex-Bell Road would not be closed overnight. He apologized for the confusion.

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UNSCHEDULED BUSINESS

Comments by the Audience

None

Comments by Council

Mrs. Tomlin congratulated Sergeant Flynn. She also stated she recently met the owner of a local small business called West Carrollton Nutrition located on South Alex Road. She stated she wanted to put the word out for anyone who may be interested in their products or services. She stated she is not affiliated with the business, but loves to pass the word to help support our local businesses.

Deputy Mayor Fryman reminded everyone about the upcoming eclipse on April 8, 2024. She encouraged citizens to take the precautions seriously. Traffic may be an issue.

RECESS

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

WORK SESSION

PRESENT: Deputy Mayor Fryman, Councilmembers Amanda Zennie, Mike Boyle, Rick Dobson, and Jill Tomlin. City Manager Amber Holloway, Law Director Lori Denlinger, Service Director Rich Norton, and Finance Director Julie Duffy.

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<u>Right of Way Vacation of Central Lane and a Section of Main Street</u> to West Carrollton School District – Rich Norton & Amber Holloway

City Manager Holloway presented the right-of-way vacation for Central Lane and a section of Main Street. She explained that the West Carrollton School District had requested the vacation and that it was necessary in order for the new school to meet setback requirements. She stated that this vacation would relieve the City of any ongoing maintenance responsibility, and that there was no objection to this amongst Staff.

River District Note Renewal – Amber Holloway & Julie Duffy

City Manager Holloway introduced the River District Note Renewal. She explained that Staff had the opportunity to meet with bond counsel and determine a clearer path forward. She then invited Finance Director Julie Duffy to address the note renewal.

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Director Duffy explained that the City was proposing to split the debt, and that there would be two separate pieces of legislation, one that addressed land acquisition and another for improvements. She noted that the City would pursue debt through OMAP for taxable revenue specific to the land acquisition, which would be paid down by future land sales. She went on to say that General Obligation Bond would be for the improvements, adding that GO debt was a lower interest rate and tax exempt. Ms. Duffy stated that it was important for these Ordinances to be passed as emergencies at the next meeting in order to secure the interest rate.

Supplemental Appropriation – Julie Duffy

City Manager Holloway introduced the proposal for a supplemental appropriation. She walked Council through the proposal, and said that these numbers reflect proceeding with events as planned. Ms. Zennie thanked staff for the explanation.

Ms. Holloway addressed Fund 210 and encouraged Council to think long-term about events. She addressed a couple of cost-saving options. Deputy Mayor Fryman stated that she would like some time to consider.

Work Session ended at 7:57 p.m.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

None

ADJOURNMENT

With no further business, Deputy Mayor Fryman moved, seconded by Mrs. Tomlin to adjourn the City Council Meeting of March 26, 2024. A vote was taken: Mrs. Zennie-yes, Mr. Boyle-yes, Mr. Dobson-yes, Mrs. Tomlin-yes, and Deputy Mayor Fryman-yes. The meeting was adjourned at 7:57 p.m.

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