



City of Ashtabula

Ashtabula City Council Emergency Meeting
Monday, November 22, 2021 at 8:45 AM
Council Chambers
4717 Main Avenue

Minutes

Opening of Emergency Meeting

Call to Order

The meeting of the Ashtabula City Council was called to order at 8:45 a.m. by Council President Roskovics.

Prayer

Council President Roskovics offered the opening prayer.

Pledge of Allegiance

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Roll Call

Members Present: Ward 4 Councilor Octavia Harris, Ward 5 Councilor Jane Haines, Ward 1 Councilor Kym Foglio, Ward 2 Councilor Calvin Crawford, Ward 3 Councilor Laydean Young, Vice President Michael Speelman, President John Roskovics **Absent:** none

Officers Present: City Manager James Timonere, City Solicitor Cecilia Cooper, Finance Director Traci Welch, Clerk of Council Stacy Senskey **Absent:** none

Sunshine Law Certification

A quorum was established as defined by Ashtabula City Council Rules of Order. The meeting met the requirements of the Ohio Sunshine Laws Open Meetings Act.

Statement of Purpose

Council Presentation

Vote on legislation requested during the Monday, November 15th, 2021 Regular Council meeting

Welcome and Acknowledgement of Visitors

Presentation

To express appreciation to Ward 3 Councilor Laydean Young and Ward 4 Councilor Octavia V. Harris for their service to the City of Ashtabula

Council President Roskovics explained some of the efforts Councilors make in order to prepare and serve on City Council. He and Vice-President Speelman presented plaques to Ward 3 Councilor Young and Ward 4 Councilor Harris and shared words of appreciation for their commitment to the City of Ashtabula. Ms. Young served on the Public Works/ Public Utilities/ Cable/ Schools Committee and the Safety Forces committee since her Council appointment on February 18,

2020. Beginning January 6, 2020, Ms. Harris served on the Community Development/ Economic Development/ Parks & Recreation Committee and the Public Works/ Public Utilities/ Cable/ Schools Committee. Aside from their time with the City of Ashtabula as Council members, Mr. Roskovics and Mr. Speelman highlighted their involvement with the community, a true gift to the citizens. Both Ms. Young and Ms. Harris made reference to starting their term just before the pandemic and amid difficult times in the world. They shared their mutual appreciation for the opportunity to serve and for the other Council members and City administration. Ms. Harris expressed her appreciation for the many things she has learned during her time on City Council. She intends to continue to support the city. "I love this community. I love Ashtabula and I really believe it's going to go places." Ms. Young communicated she felt she was on Council "to see the City from the inside out" and commented, "We all serve differently, but I think our interests are all the same, it's just for the betterment of the City and of the people here."

Legislation

Overview/Discussion

Public Communications on Legislation

Council President Roskovics asked for a motion to dispose of the legislation by consent agenda.

Motion: Ward 1 Councilor Foglio moved to dispose of the legislation by consent agenda; Ward 2 Councilor Crawford seconded.

Discussion:

VOTE

Yeas: Ward 4 Councilor Harris, Ward 5 Councilor Haines, Ward 1 Councilor Foglio, Ward 2 Councilor Crawford, Ward 3 Councilor Young, Vice President Speelman, President

Roskovics **Nays:** None

Motion carried.

Reading

Ordinance No. 2021-109

AN ORDINANCE ENACTING NEW CODIFIED ORDINANCE SECTION 109.03 EXCEPTION TO COMPETITIVE BIDDING REQUIREMENTS DURING AN EMERGENCY (City Manager)

ORDINANCE NO. 2021-110

AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER TO ENTER INTO AN AGREEMENT WITH THE OFFICE OF THE AUDITOR OF THE STATE OF OHIO TO ASSIST THE CITY OF ASHTABULA AS FISCAL AGENT FOR THE ASHTABULA HEALTH DEPARTMENT IN THE CONVERSION OF CASH REPORTING TO GAAP FOR FISCAL YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 2021 (Finance Director)

ORDINANCE NO. 2021-111

AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER TO ENTER INTO AN AGREEMENT WITH THE OFFICE OF THE AUDITOR OF THE STATE OF OHIO TO ASSIST THE CITY OF ASHTABULA IN THE CONVERSION OF CASH REPORTING TO GAAP FOR FISCAL YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 2021 (Finance Director)

ORDINANCE NO. 2021-112

AN ORDINANCE TO MAKE SUPPLEMENTAL INCREASES TO APPROPRIATIONS IN THE GENERAL, PUBLIC HEALTH/NURSING, ASHTABULA MUNICIPAL COURT SECURITY, SANITATION, PARKS & RECREATION, PLANNING & COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT, AND COURT SPECIAL PROJECTS FUNDS FOR CURRENT EXPENSES AND OTHER EXPENDITURES OF THE CITY OF ASHTABULA, STATE OF OHIO, FOR THE PERIOD JANUARY 1 THROUGH DECEMBER 31, 2021 (Finance Director)

RESOLUTION NO. 2021-113

A RESOLUTION HONORING FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH FOR SERVING THE CITIZENS OF THE CITY OF ASHTABULA FOR 200 YEARS (City Council)

Motion: Vice President Speelman moved to waive the reading of the legislation in its entirety; Ward 1 Councilor Foglio seconded.

Discussion:

VOTE

Yeas: Ward 4 Councilor Harris, Ward 5 Councilor Haines, Ward 1 Councilor Foglio, Ward 2 Councilor Crawford, Ward 3 Councilor Young, Vice President Speelman, President Roskovics **Nays:** None
Motion carried.

Motion: Vice President Speelman moved to waive the Charter Requirements of two readings of the legislation; Ward 4 Councilor Harris seconded.

Discussion:

ROLL CALL VOTE

Yeas: Ward 4 Councilor Harris, Ward 5 Councilor Haines, Ward 1 Councilor Foglio, Ward 2 Councilor Crawford, Ward 3 Councilor Young, Vice President Speelman, President Roskovics **Nays:** None
Motion carried.

Adoption of legislation


ROLL CALL VOTE

Yeas: Ward 4 Councilor Harris, Ward 5 Councilor Haines, Ward 1 Councilor Foglio, Ward 2 Councilor Crawford, Ward 3 Councilor Young, Vice President Speelman, President Roskovics **Nays:** None
The legislation passed.


Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 8:59 a.m. by Council President Roskovics.

Attested By:



Clerk of Council, Stacy H. Senskey



President of Council, John S. Roskovics

Date Approved: