

**REGULAR**

**JUNE 12 2023**

**MEETING WAS HELD IN HYBRID FORM (Council members and visitors in Chambers and all others via ZOOM)**

Amherst City Council was brought to order in a Regular Session with President Wasilk opening the meeting at 7:00 P. M. Also present in the Council Chambers were Mr. Winiarski, Mr. Dembinski, Mr. Wachholz, Ms. Smith, Mr. Heberling, Mr. Janik and Mayor Costilow. Present via ZOOM were Law Director Pecora, Treasurer Ramsey, Assistant Law Director Ward, Auditor Pittak, and Safety/Service Director Jeffreys. The Auditor's position is vacant. Mr. Cowger was absent and had a letter on file. Mr. Dembinski motioned to excuse Mr. Cowger as he had a letter on file. Seconded by Ms. Smith. Voice vote 6-0 to excuse Mr. Cowger.

The Prayer was invoked by: Chaplain Janik followed by the Pledge to the Flag led by Sergeant at Arms Dembinski.

Consent Agenda: The Clerk read the Consent Agenda: Mr. Heberling motioned to accept the Consent Agenda as read. Seconded by Mr. Dembinski. Voice vote 6-0 to accept the Consent Agenda as read.

Acknowledgement of the Public pertaining to items on the Agenda: There was no one speaking.

**ORDINANCES AND RESOLUTIONS FIRST READING:**

- (a) An Ordinance approving the Mayor's application with the Legislative authority of the City of Amherst, Ohio to designate certain property within the City as an outdoor refreshment area in accordance with Ohio Revised Code Section 4301.82 and establishing requirements necessary to ensure public health and safety within such area; and declaring an emergency. (A-22-30)

Mr. Heberling motioned to suspend all Council rules so that this may be passed in its first reading. Seconded by Mr. Wachholz. Roll call vote 6-0 to suspend rules. Mr. Wachholz motioned to adopt. Seconded by Mr. Dembinski. Roll call vote 6-0 to adopt. Becomes 0-23-29.

**ORDINANCES AND RESOLUTIONS SECOND READING:**

- (a) An Ordinance amending City of Amherst Ordinance No. O-22-06 creating a training/transitional employment position within the Auditor's Office of The City of Amherst, Ohio and repealing all ordinances in conflict herewith. (A-23-28)

Mr. Wachholz motioned to pass this on to its third reading. Seconded by Mr. Heberling. Roll call vote 6-0 to pass to third.

- (b) A Resolution recognizing small business owners within the Historic Downtown Area of the City of Amherst that have operated and supported our community for over 25 years; and declaring an emergency. (A-23-29)

Mr. Janik motioned to amend the Resolution to include all those businesses listed on the Resolution. Seconded by Mr. Wachholz. Roll call vote 6-0 to amend. Mr. Janik motioned to suspend all council rules so that this may be passed in its second reading. He explained that timing wise, since the Small Business Month was in May, he would like to see the businesses be honored at our June 26 meeting. Seconded by Mr. Wachholz. Roll call vote 6-0 to suspend rules. Mr. Janik motioned to adopt. Seconded by Mr. Wachholz. Roll call vote 6-0 to adopt. Becomes R-23-02.

**ORDINANCES AND RESOLUTIONS THIRD READING: NONE**

Miscellaneous and acknowledgement of the public:

- (a) Request for D-5 Liquor permit for Golf Lounge at 136 B Park Avenue. (This is located in the back of the former Zilch's Building. The florist area will be divided into two sections)

There were some questions about the number of D-5 licenses that were available. No objections.

Agenda requests and committee meeting schedules:

No Agenda Requests were presented therefore, no committee meetings were scheduled for Tuesday, June 20, 2023. (June 19 is Federal Holiday)

Reports of the Administration

Auditor's position is vacant.

Treasurer Ramsey: The May 2023 reports have been distributed.

Law Director Pecora: No report

Mayor Costilow: No report

Acknowledgement of the May 2023 Auditor and Treasurer:

Mr. Heberling motioned to accept the reports of the administration. Seconded by Mr. Dembinski. Voice vote 6-0 to accept the reports.

Acknowledgement of the receipt of the May 2023 from the Auditor and Treasurer:

Mr. Dembinski motioned to acknowledge the receipt of the May 2023 reports from the Auditor and Treasurer. Seconded by Ms. Smith. Voice vote 6-0 to acknowledge the receipt of the reports.

Mr. Wachholz motioned to adjourn, seconded by Mr. Dembinski. Voice vote 6-0 to adjourn.

The meeting adjourned at 7:16 p.m.

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Olga Sivinski, Clerk of Council

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Jennifer Wasilk, President of Council