

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. Dembinski, Mr. Cowger, Mr. Wachholz, Mr. Heberling, Mr. Janik, Auditor Phillips, and Mayor Costilow. Present via ZOOM were Law Director Pecora, Treasurer Ramsey, Assistant Law Director Ward, Auditor Pittak, and Safety/Service Director Jeffreys. Mr. Winiarski and Ms. Smith were absent and had letters on file. Mr. Dembinski motioned to excuse Mr. Winiarski and Ms. Smith as they had a letter on file. Seconded by Mr. Cowger. Voice vote 5-0 to excuse. Council Chambers were filled with residents due to the recognition of Small Businesses who have been in existence at least 25 years.

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. Cowger. Voice vote 5-0 to accept the Consent Agenda as read.

Recognition of Small Businesses in the City of Amherst. All have been in business 25 years or more. Mr. Janik explained that he joined Amherst Main Street and he and Main Street Director Teresa Gilles discusses small businesses. Despite economic conditions for some, they were happily surprised by the number of Amherst businesses that continued to provide their services. It was Small Business Week in May and they came up with the idea to honor the Amherst small businesses celebrating 25 years or more in business. He read the Resolution. He thanked the businesses for their support. He and Mayor Costilow had each business come up and receive a proclamation and were congratulated and thanked. Mayor Costilow thanked the businesses for their persistence in remaining in the City of Amherst. The Clerk thanked Teresa Gilles for all her hard work in presenting us with the list of the businesses. Also to be thanked is the Mayor’s secretary Jami for her help in preparation of the Proclamation.

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

ORDINANCES AND RESOLUTIONS FIRST READING: NONE

ORDINANCES AND RESOLUTIONS SECOND READING: NONE

ORDINANCES AND RESOLUTIONS THIRD 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. Dembinski motioned to adopt. Seconded by Mr. Cowger. Roll call vote 5-0 to adopt. Becomes 0-23-39.

Miscellaneous and acknowledgement of the public: There was no one speaking.

Agenda requests and committee meeting schedules:

- A-23-31 Streets/Sidewalks 2022 Sidewalk Program Assessment Parcel Total
- A-23-32 Streets/Sidewalks 2022 Sidewalk Program property owner objecting to two parcels

Streets/Sidewalks Committee July 10, 2023 at 6:30 p.m. A-23-31, A-23-32

Committee meetings for July 3, 2023 are cancelled.

Reports of the Administration:

Treasurer Ramsey: No report

Auditor Phillips: Introduced herself (Brenda Philips). She is looking forward to working with everyone. She noticed there was a resignation for Mr. Pittak's unexpired term and also the run in the November election. She has an interest in public service, being a registered nurse, so wanted to oversee the health of the finances in the City.

Law Director Pecora: No report

Mayor Costilow: No report

Mr. Cowger motioned to accept the reports of the administration. Seconded by Mr. Wachholz. Voice vote 5-0 to accept the reports.

Mr. Heberling motioned to adjourn, seconded by Mr. Dembinski. Voice vote 5-0 to adjourn.

The meeting adjourned at 7:18 p.m.

Olga Sivinski, Clerk of Council

Jennifer Wasilk, President of Council