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Amherst City Council met in a Regular Session under full compliance of State Law with President Wasilk opening the meeting at 7:00 p. m. Roll call: Mr. Wachholz, Mr. Nahorn, Mr. Janik, Ms. Harmych, Mayor Costilow, Safety/Service Director Jeffreys, Law Director Pecora, Auditor Phillips, Assistant Law Director Ward, and Treasurer Ramsey Mr. Dembinski and Mr. Winiarski were absent and had letters on file. Mr. Heberling motioned to excuse Mr. Dembinski and Mr. Winiarski as they had letters on file. Seconded by Mr. Nahorn. Voice vote 5-0 to excuse.

The Prayer was invoked by Chaplain Janik, which was followed by the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag led by acting Sgt. At Arms Nahorn.

Consent Agenda: The Clerk read the Consent Agenda. Mr. Heberling motioned to approve the Consent Agenda as read. Seconded by Mr. Wachholz. Voice vote 5-0 to approve 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 authorizing the Treasurer to extend a depository agreement with Northwest Bank for the City's Funds. (A-24-45)

Mr. Heberling motioned to pass this on to its second reading. Seconded by Mr. Janik. Roll call vote 5-0 to pass to second.

(b) An Ordinance re-appropriating funds In the Waste Water Treatment Plant of the City of Amherst, Ohio to cover expected costs for the remainder of the year; and declaring an emergency. (A-24-46)

Mr. Nahorn motioned to pass this on to its second reading. Seconded by Mr. Janik. Roll call vote 5-0 to pass to second.

ORDINANCES AND RESOLUTIONS SECOND READING:

(a) An Ordinance authorizing an increase in appropriations for the Community Housing Impact and Preservation ("CHIP") Program to repay program income to Lorain County; and declaring an emergency. (A-24-41)

Mr. Janik motioned to pass this on to its third reading. Seconded by Mr. Wachholz. Roll call vote 5-0 to pass to third.

(b) An Ordinance vacating an additional portion of North Dewey Road (A-24-42)

Mr. Wachholz motioned to pass this on to its third reading. Seconded by Mr. Nahorn. Roll call vote 5-0 to pass to third.

(c) An Ordinance approving the final development plan for the Villas at Amherst Residential Development and rezoning and approving such development as a Planned Development District. (A-24-43)

Mr. Heberling motioned to pass this on to its third reading. Seconded by Mr. Wachholz. Roll call vote 5-0 to pass to third.

(d) An Ordinance authorizing the Mayor of the City of Amherst to enter Into an agreement with Thompson Hine LLP to represent the City In the development of a Residential Improvement District related to the N. Dewey Road Improvements, and declaring an emergency. (A-24-44)

Mr. Wachholz motioned to pass this on to its third reading. Seconded by Mr. Nahorn. Roll call vote 5-0 to pass to third.

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ORDINANCES AND RESOLUTIONS THIRD READING:

(a) An Ordinance approving the form and authorizing the execution of Blue Creek Wind Schedule with American Municipal Power, Inc. and the taking of other actions in connection therewith; and declaring an emergency. (A-24-38)

Mr. Wachholz motioned to adopt. Seconded by Mr. Nahorn. Roll all vote 5-0 to adopt. Becomes 0-24-36.

Miscellaneous and acknowledgement of the public:

 (a) Transfer D-5 liquor license from Bockey Enterprises, LLC to DBA Captains Club – 1st floor and Patio. (232 Park Avenue/)

There were no objections to the transfer of liquor license. There was no one speaking.

Agenda requests and committee meeting schedules:

- A-24-47 Finance Resolution accepting amounts and rates as determined by the budget commission an authorizing the necessary tax levies and certifying them to the County Auditor with emergency
- A-24-48 Finance Ordinance to establish the wage rate, benefits and other conditions of employment for the seasonal part-time tax assistant 1 of the City of Amherst, repealing all Ordinances in conflict herewith
- A-24-49 Utility An Ordinance authorizing the Mayor to enter into a water service agreement with the City of Elyria to purchase water for years 2025-2044
- A-24-50 Streets Ordinance allowing the Mayor to enter into an agreement with Bramhall Engineering and Surveying for engineering, surveying and construction inspection services for OPWC State Issue 1, Rund 38 Park Ave. rehabilitation; emergency

Finance – October 21, 2024 at 7:00 p.m. A-24-47, A-24-48

Utilities - October 21, 2024 at 7:05 p.m. A-24-49

Streets - October 21, 2024 at 7:15 p.m. A-24-50

The remaining Council Committee Meetings for 10/21/24 are cancelled.

Reports of the Administration:

Auditor Phillips: Reported that Gwen Melbar has been appointed to the position of Deputy Auditor.

Treasurer Ramsey: Reported that the reports for September have been distributed. He noted the appointment of Michelle Pullin and Ron Kopco have been appointed to the Local Board of Tax Review for two years.

Law Director Pecora: No report

Safety/Service Director Jeffreys: No report.

Mayo Costilow: Urged everyone to visit the new Office on Aging at the old Nordson Depot. He said it was very well received. They have speakers come in once a month and many people attend. They are planning many events. The room is available for rental. Civic groups can rent for free during weekdays. With the graciousness of Nordson for giving this building to us, and the remodeling of the building, it is really nice. He very much appreciates what the staff is doing there.

Mr. Nahorn motioned to accept the Reports of the Administration. Seconded by Mr. Wachholz. Voice vote 5-0 to accept the reports

Acknowledgement of the receipt of the September Auditor and Treasurer monthly reports

Mr. Wachholz acknowledged the receipt of the September Auditor and Treasurer report. Seconded by Mr. Nahorn. Voice vote 5-0 to acknowledge the receipt of the reports.

Mr. Heberling motioned to adjourn. Seconded by Mr. Wachholz. Voice vote 5-0 to adjourn. The meeting was adjourned at 7:15 p.m.