

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. Winiarski - absent, Mr. Dembinski, Ms. Harmych - absent, Mr. Wachholz – absent Mr. Janik, Mr. Heberling. Also present were Mayor Costilow, Auditor Phillips, Law Director Pecora - absent, Assistant Law Director Ward, Treasurer Ramsey, and Safety/Service Director Jeffreys,

Also present were two young men and their host dad as part of an assignment they needed to do for their Wellington high school.

Mr. Nahorn motioned to excuse Ms. Harmych, Mr. Wachholz, Mr. Winiarski and Law Director Pecora as they had letters on file. Seconded by Mr. Heberling. Vote 4-0 to excuse Ms. Harmych, Mr. Winiarski, Mr. Pecora and Mr. Wachholz.

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. Roll call vote 4-0 to accept the Consent Agenda.

Acknowledgement of the Public pertaining to items on the Agenda: Mrs. Wasilk acknowledged our visitors and asked them to introduced themselves. Mr. Bryan Policz of 225 Sunrise Drive said he is a host father to some exchange students every year. The program he hosts through is ASSE which stands for American Scandinavian Student Exchange. He is a teacher in Wellington. He spoke further about the program. Alessandro Manni from Italy spoke and said he was here this evening as part of a school assignment. He is enjoying his stay here. Tomas (pronounced Tomash) Lisa is from Czech Republic and he has enjoyed his stay here. He and Alessandro go to school in Wellington and they are both seniors.

#### **ORDINANCES AND RESOLUTIONS FIRST READING: NONE**

#### **ORDINANCES AND RESOLUTIONS SECOND READING:**

- (a) An Ordinance amending Section 509.10 of the Codified Ordinances of the City of Amherst, Ohio to Establish Noise Performance Standards. (A-25-04)

Mr. Heberling motioned to pass this on to its third reading. Seconded by Mr. Janik. Mr. Janik explained the purpose of this ordinance. Roll call vote 4-0 to pass to third reading.

- (b) An Ordinance Amending Section 509.11 of the Codified Ordinances of the City of Amherst, Ohio Regarding Unnecessary and Excessive Noise. (A-25-05)

Mr. Janik motioned to pass this on to its third reading. Seconded by Mr. Janik. Mr. Dembinski. Roll call vote 4-0 to pass to third reading.

- (c) An Ordinance creating the Quarry Creek Tax Increment Financing Incentive Districts; declaring improvements to the parcels within each incentive district to be a public purpose and exempt from real property taxation; requiring the owners of those parcels to make service payments in lieu of taxes; establishing a Municipal Public improvement Tax Increment Equivalent Fund for the deposit of those service payments; specifying the public infrastructure improvements that benefit or serve parcels in the Incentive District; and providing for compensation payments. (A-25-14)

Mr. Dembinski motioned to pass this on to its third reading. Seconded by Mr. Heberling. Roll call vote 4-0 to pass to third reading.

#### **ORDINANCES AND RESOLUTIONS THIRD READING: NONE**

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

Agenda requests and committee meeting schedules:

- A-25-18 Finance - Increase appropriations for Law Enforcement Trust fund purchases of Police related equipment/vehicles
- A-25-19 Executive – An Ordinance to remove the Secretary of the Income tax Office Position and other updates within the Income Tax Office
- A-25-20 Bld. & Lands – Lumos Fiber Optic Internet Service

Finance – May 19, 2025 at 7:00 p.m. A-25-18  
Executive – May 19, 2025 at 7:05 p. m. A-25-20  
Building and Lands – May 19, 2025 at 7:15 p.m. A-25-20

Reports of the Administration:

Auditor Phillips: The April reports have been distributed.  
Treasurer Ramsey: The April reports have been distributed.  
Assistant Law Director Ward: No report.  
Safety/Service Director Jeffreys: No report.  
Mayor Costilow: Reminded everyone that's it's against our ordinances to mow your law so that the grass blows into the street. It is a safety hazard as the grass is slippery for walkers and people riding their bikes or motorcycles. It is bad for the environment for when the grass goes down the drains and gets into the sewers as there could be a lot of chemicals involved. It also clogs our storm sewers. He asked that residents not mow their grass into the street or rake their leaves into the street (unless there is a leaf pickup going on). There will be possible warnings and actual citations. All our employees have been put on notice to be looking for that. They understand that the grass has been higher than normal due to all the rain. But now it's time to get back to normal mowing.

Mr. Dembinski motioned to accept the Reports of the Administration. Seconded by Mr. Heberling. Roll call vote 4-0 to accept the reports of the administration.

Acknowledgement of the receipt of the April 2025 reports from the Auditor and Treasurer:

Mr. Dembinski motioned to acknowledge the receipt of the April 2025 reports from the Auditor and Treasurer. Seconded by Mr. Nahorn. Voice vote 4-0 to acknowledge the receipt of the reports.

Mr. Heberling motioned to adjourn. Seconded by Mr. Dembinski. Roll call vote 4-0 to adjourn. The meeting adjourned at 7:15 p.m.

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Olga Sivinski, Clerk of Council	Jennifer Wasilk, President of Council