

November 26, 2024

**PORT CLINTON CITY COUNCIL MINUTES
REGULAR MEETING**

The regular meeting of the Port Clinton City Council held in the Linda Hartlaub City Hall Chambers. Lisa Sarty, President of Council, presided and the meeting opened at 6:12 p.m.

The roll was called and the following Council members were present: Pat Hovis, Richard Morgan, Jerry Tarolli, Margaret Phillips. Beth Gillman, and Cathy King. Avery Robinson excused

Ms. Phillips moved to approve regular meeting minutes for November 10, 2024; seconded by Mr. Tarolli. All agreed.

The chair notes certification had been received regarding the compliance with the rules and notification of this meeting.

GUEST PRESENTATION

Anthony Hatmaker, Ottawa County Treasurer

Subject: School districts within Ottawa County will gain “unvoted windfalls at the expense of property owners in their district” due to property reappraisal and current state law that states school district will have a set 20-mill floor.

To not misinterpret Mr. Hatmaker’s presentation, it may be view at:

<https://studio.youtube.com/channel/UCogMKz7LtjWj2yP13-rmHcQ/videos/upload?filter=%5B%5D&sort=%7B%22columnType%22%3A%22date%22%2C%22sortOrder%22%3A%22DESCENDING%22%7D>

PUBLIC COMMENT

None

PRESIDENT OF COUNCIL

Under first reading this evening is:

- Ordinance 21-24
 - Assigned to Finance Committee
 - Can go all three readings

The last scheduled Council meetings of 2024, lands on Christmas Eve; this meeting will be moved to December 17, 2024, 6:00 pm.

Sip and Shop this past weekend was very nice.

MAYOR’S REPORT

In mid-November Mayor Snider, Pastor Jarrod Schaaf of St. John’s Lutheran Church, and Nicole Wade of Shores and Islands attended a conference in Myrtle Beach, South Carolina for community support

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groups for exchange visitors (J1 kids). Will be creating his own support group presentation in the near future and presenting it to City Council.

Sip & Shop and the Christmas tree lighting was a wonderful event. Thank you to Nancy Greene and her family for donating this year's tree. Also, thank you to the following: Ken Gill Construction for transporting the tree to its new location and Lucas Johnson and his staff for placing the lights on the tree and throughout the City.

Saturday, December 7, 2024, Santa Claus is coming to town. He will be at Ala Carte Afterhours from 3:00 – 5:00 pm, then traveling down Second Street via the Community parade to his house on Adams Street at 5:30 pm.

The following dates and hours Santa will be available for visitors at his house:

- Sunday, December 8, 15, & 22, 12:00 – 1:00 pm
- Wednesday, December 11, & 18, 5:00 – 6:00 pm

Cats and dogs are welcome, absolutely no snakes or spiders.

Thursday, December 5, 2024, City staff and elected officials will be ringing the bell for the Salvation Army at Friendship Food Store on Perry Street from 10:00 – 4:00 pm (two hour shifts). If available please contact Sandye Ostheimer to sign up.

For several years American flags have been placed along the Perry Street for Memorial Day, Fourth of July and Labor Day; want to extend a Thank You to the individuals that place the flags year after year.

Saturday, December 14, 2024, Wreaths across America will take place at Riverview & Lakeview Cemetery. The Ceremony will be held at Riverview Cemetery at 11:00 am.

Lakeview Drive revetment project: the utility poles will be placed on the south side of the street starting next week. The utility poles on the north side of the street will eventually be taken down. Also, underway the enhanced cross walk / traffic signal is being installed.

If you come across any issues with a street light though out the City contact Port Clinton Police Department via their non-emergency phone number (419-734-3121). Please provide the dispatcher the street location and/ or pole number (if available). They will contact Ohio Edison to address the issue.

Happy Thanksgiving to all.

Go Bucks!!!

AUDITOR'S REPORT

Not present

TREASURER'S REPORT

Bed Tax as of November 26, 2024: \$357,340.30

Watercraft Tax as of November 26, 2004: \$22,603.69

Short Term Rental Registration Fee as of November 26, 2024: \$62,700.00

LAW DIRECTOR REPORT

Parking Violation Court will be returning on January 8, 2025, 6:00 pm at Port Clinton City Hall, Council Chambers. This is for old parking tickets that have not been paid since 2022.

SAFETY SERVICE REPORT

Happy Thanksgiving

Mr. Morgan inquired if there is a date known for the last leaf pickup.

Mr. Colston stated no, not at this time. There are many leaves left on the trees. However, if we get snow or freezes that will be an issue. Once a date has been determined, it will be posted on our City Facebook page and Council members will be notified.

ECONOMIC COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT COORDINATOR

Mr. Christman advised that the City's email will not be available for use as of Wednesday, November 27, 2024, 5:00 pm until Monday, December 2nd, 8:00 am. We are transferring exchange servers.

The City's new website is tentatively scheduled to go live in February 2025.

The first City Chat that took place on November 14th at The Art Garage had a good turnout. The next meeting will take place on December 12, 2024, 6:00 pm at The Art Garage. You may submit questions prior to Mr. Christman by calling (419-607-7886), or email: pchristman@portclinton-oh.gov.

Mr. Morgan asked Mr. Christman when you are presented with a question you aren't able to answer, will he get back with the individual?

Mr. Christman advised he has a sign in sheet requesting contact information. If an email address was provided the attendees received a summary via email with the questions and answers provided. Including those questions he was not able to answer at the meeting.

POLICE CHIEF

Not present

INTERIEM FIRE CHIEF

Not present

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Finance Committee

Ms. Hovis

Had a committee meeting earlier this evening.

Next committee meeting will be December 12, 2024, 5:30 pm; to discuss Ordinance 21-24

Environment and Public Works Committee

Mr. Tarolli

Nothing to present

Safety Services Committee

Ms. Phillips

Nothing to present

Economic and Community Development Committee

Mrs. Gillman

Nothing to present

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CORRESPONDENCE

Architectural Review Board, October 24, 2024, meeting minutes

Ms. Phillips moved to accept the correspondence as stated; seconded by Mr. Tarolli. All agreed.

THIRD READING OF ORDINANCES AND RESOLUTIONS

Ordinance 20-24

AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE CHIEF OF POLICE TO ENTER INTO AN AGREEMENT WITH THE STATE OF OHIO DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES FOR FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE FOR THE OPERATION OF THE PORT CLINTON HARBOR PATROL AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS FOR CALENDAR YEAR 2025.

M. Tarolli moved to adopt Ordinance 20-24; seconded by Ms. Hovis.

Results of a voice roll call are as follows: Mrs. Gillman, yes; Ms. Phillips, yes; Mr. Morgan, yes; Ms. Hovis, yes; Mr. Tarolli, yes; and Mrs. King, yes. Motion carried 6-0: per Mrs. Sarty.

SECOND READING OF ORDINANCES AND RESOLUTIONS

None

FIRST READING OF ORDINANCES AND RESOLUTIONS

Ordinance 21-24

AN ORDINANCE APPROPRIATING CERTAIN FUNDS FOR THE OPERATION OF THE CITY OF PORT CLINTON, OHIO

No action taken – Ordinance 21-24 will be moved to second reading on December 10, 2024, at the regular scheduled Council meeting

BUSINESS FROM THE FLOOR

Mr. Morgan – City Chat meeting was very good. Encourages anyone with questions to attend.

Mr. Robinson – Not present

Ms. Phillips – Nothing to present

Ms. Hovis – Have a Happy and Safe Thanksgiving

Mr. Tarolli – Happy Thanksgiving

Mrs. King – Happy Thanksgiving

Mrs. Gillman – Happy Thanksgiving

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ANNOUNCEMENTS None

ADJOURNMENT

With no further business to discuss Ms. Phillips moved to adjourn; seconded by Mrs. King. With all those in favor, the meeting was adjourned at 6:51 p.m.

Sandra Ostheimer
Clerk of Council

Lisa Sarty
President of Council