**REGULAR MEETING**

**March 13, 2024**

**Struthers, Ohio 44471**

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 The Regular Meeting of the Council of the City of Struthers, Ohio, was held on Wednesday, March 13, 2024 at roughly 7:00 p.m. with the following members present at Roll Call: Baluck, Bayus (absent), Bigley, Burnside, Carcelli, Gomon, Pingley.

President of Council, Michael S. Patrick was present at the Meeting.

President of Council, asked everyone to stand for the Pledge.

 Pledge was recited.

 President of Council, Michael S. Patrick thanked everyone for coming this evening.

 President of Council, Michael S. Patrick recognized the invited guest in attendance at the Regular Council Meeting: Safety Service Director, Bob Benson and Law Director, John N. Zomoida Jr.

President of Council, Michael S. Patrick asked for a motion to excuse 4th Ward Councilman, Mr. Richard S. Bayus from the meeting due to prior commitment.

Carcelli moved seconded by Pingley to excuse Mr. Richard S. Bayus form the 1st Regular Meeting Dated March 13, 2024 due to prior commitment.

 Roll Call: Voting yea: Baluck, Bayus (absent), Bigley, Burnside, Carcelli, Gomon, Pingley.

 Motion carried 6-0.

Mr. Richard S. Bayus excused by 6-0 vote.

President of Council, Mr. Michael S. Patrick asked for a motion to dispense with the reading of the minutes of 2nd Regular Meeting Dated Wednesday, February 28, 2024 and accept the minutes. Do I have a motion? A second?

Burnside moved seconded by Bigley to dispense with the reading of the minutes of the 2nd Regular Meeting Dated Wednesday, February 28, 2024 and accept them as prepared by the Clerk.

Roll Call: Voting Yea: Baluck, Bayus (absent), Bigley, Burnside, Carcelli, Gomon, Pingley.

No Remarks.

Motion Carried 6-0.

Meeting minutes approved and accepted by 6-0 vote.

 President of Council, Michael S. Patrick asked the clerk to read the three (3) pieces of communications.

**COMMUNICATIONS**

1. **STRUTHERS TAX OFFICE MONTHLY REPORTS FOR TAX COLLECTIONS FOR THE MONTH OF FEBRUARY 2024, SUBMITTED BY RYAN ROGALSKI, STRUTHERS TAX COMMISSIONER.**
2. **NOTICE TO LEGISLATIVE AUTHORITY OHIO DIVISION OF LIQUOR CONTROL REGARDING B TREX PERMIT NUMBER 7691000 FROM JAMES P. DAMICO DBA JIMS PARTY SHOP, 14451 MAHONING AVENUE EXTENSIONS, NORTH JACKSON, OHIO 44451 TO SALMAN BOYS LLC, 962 5TH STREET, STRUTHERS, OHIO 44471.**
3. **MAYOR’S REPORT DATED MONDAY, MARCH 11, 2024, SUBMITTED BY MAYOR CATHERINE CERCONE MILLER.**

 President of Council, Michael S. Patrick asked for a motion to receive and file the communication.

Bigley moved seconded by Carcelli to receive and file said communications.Roll Call: Voting Yea: Baluck, Bayus (absent), Bigley, Burnside, Carcelli, Gomon, Pingley.

No Remarks.

Motion Carried 6-0.

Communications accepted, received, and filed by 6-0 vote.

**MAYOR’S REPORT (REPORT ON FILE)**

Mayor was present and had said report entitled Mayor’s Report Monday, March 11, 2024 for Council this evening. Read in: (Caucus / Chambers) MAYOR’S REPORT: 1) Street Sweeping, 2) Food Drive, 3) City Easter Egg Hunt, 4) Maplecrest Easter Egg Hunt, 5) Light City Church, 6) Seed Swap, 7) Faculty VS. Students Basketball, 8) Struthers Firemen Association, 9) Struthers Baseball League, and 10) City Job Shadowing. (REPORT ON FILE)

**Catherine Cercone Miller**

Mayor

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**Mayor's Report**

**March 13th, 2024**

**Street Sweeping**

Street sweeping will begin on Monday, March 18th and finish up approximately April 19th depending on the weather. This will start in the 3rd ward Nebo area, followed by the rest of the 3rd ward, then into the 4th ward, the 2nd ward and ending in the 1st ward. Please try to keep your vehicles off the streets during the daytime during this month.

**Food Drive**

The City of Struthers and Struthers Municipal Court will be holding a food drive to benefit the Second Harvest food bank. Collection boxes are located in City Hall. Text FEEDMV for any monetary donations

**City Easter Egg Hunt**

We will be hosting our annual Easter Egg Hunt on Satruday, March 30th beginning at 10am at Laddie J. Fedor Field at the Steve Belichick Complex. The location may change to the Fieldhouse depending on the weather. Thank you to Bill Minchin for providing eggs and candy for the event.

**Maplecrest Easter Egg Hunt**

Maplecrest will hold their annual Easter Egg hunt on Saturday, March 23rd at 1:00. The hunt will begin promptly at 1:30.

**Light City Church**

LCC is holding a free breakfast with the easter bunny with giveaways on Saturday March 16th at 9:30am. Please register beforehand to mylightcity@gmail.com.

**Seed Swap**

The Mahoning River Garden Cub is hosting a seed swap at Light City Church on Monday, March 18th from 5-6. The monthly meeting will follow.

**Faculty Vs. Students Basketball**

On Monday, March 19th at 6:00, the Struthers Senior Class will hold a Students Vs. Faculty basketball game at the Fieldhouse. Tickets are $4 for adults and $2 for students.

**Struthers Firemen Association**

Thank you to everyone who came out to support our Firemen’s Association and to everyone donated to the auction. We had another successful event.

**Struthers Baseball League**

SBL is hosting a “Night at the Races,” on Friday April 5th at St. Nick’s Great Hall. Doors open at 6 and dinner starts at 7. Tickets are $30. Please contact any board member for tickets through their Facebook page.

**City Job Shadowing**

Last week my office had the pleasure of hosting 13 high school students for a job shadowing experience. Paul Armour, Vincent Boila, Robert Carcelli, Ava Croyle, Jason Dukes, Nick Johnson, Sadie Jones, Michael Meuter, Eryn Moreno, Matthew Mrauluk and Bella Sandusky from Struthers and Zy'Oniah Crenshaw And Kosta Patris from Campbell Memorial High School. After a panel discussion with Council President, Michael Patrick; Campbell Mayor, Bryan Tedesco; former Mayor, Dan Mamula; Kristen Olmi, with KO Consulting; AFSCME Representative, Tracey Oates, and Union President, Jason Hall…Bob Benson, Taylor Schmitt and I took them around the city visiting our City Hall departments, the police station, court (while it was in session) with Judge Melone, Aqua with Jenn Johnson, our Struthers Wastewater Treatment facility with Mark Ciccone and Frank Demarco, MRL with Drew and Carol Hirt, Donavitos with Alan Donatelli (where lunch was donated to the students), Selah (donated Italian cake) and a short before and after business tour downtown with Brian Palumbo, the Struthers post office with Tracy and Tracy, the new Fire Station with engineers Kevin Malarick and Jake Giuricio and chief Mike Agnone, the street department with Tom Noble and crew.We wanted to show the students how my job is ultimately about relationship building, working together with so many different entities and why Struthers is in such a unique position in history with such a great team environment. We stressed the importance of working with all city departments, other elected officials, other neighboring cities, unions, past administration, the media, public utilities, businesses, our schools and especially with the residents. We want them to learn the Struthers way of doing things and how lucky we are to live in the city that we do. Thank you Mr. Dailey, Roger Day, Pete Pirone and Kristin Fox for allowing us all to have this experience.

Keep Smiling,

Mayor Catherine Cercone Miller

There were no remarks or comments for the Mayor

**REPORT OF STANDING COMMITTEES (On Audio)**

**WEDNESDAY, MARCH 20, 2024**

**NOTICE OF COUNCIL- AS- A -WHOLE COMMITTEE MEETINGS- SCHEDULED ON WEDNESDAY, MARCH 20, 2024 AT 6:00 P.M. IN COUNCIL CAUCUS ROOM #11.**

**6:00 P.M.**

**FINANCE & LEGISLATION COMMITTEE**

Finance & Legislation Committee Chairman Dallas A. Bigley & Members: Richard S. Bayus, James E. Baluck. The purpose of the meeting is to discuss pending legislation and proposed 2024 General Fund Budget.

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**ANYONE WISHING TO ADDRESS COUNCIL ON PENDING LEGISLATION**

There were no remarks or comments under Anyone Wishing To Address Council On Pending Legislation.

There were no remarks or comments under Addressing Council on Pending Legislation.

 President of Council, Michael S. Patrick stated that there were six (6) pieces of legislation this evening for the Regular Meeting of Council.

**LEGISLATION**

**SECOND**

**READING**

**AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR AND SAFETY SERVICE DIRECTOR TO ENTER INTO A CONTRACT WITH K.O. CONSULTING, LLC FOR GRANT SERVICES FOR CALENDAR YEAR 2024.**

Bigley moved seconded by Gomon that the ordinance be passed to a third reading.

Roll Call: Voting Yea: Baluck, Bayus (absent), Bigley, Burnside, Carcelli, Gomon, Pingley.

No Remarks.

Motion Carried 6-0.

Legislation passed to third reading by 6-0 vote.

**24-017**

**AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE AUDITOR TO TRANSFER THE SUM OF $55,000.00 FROM THE 2024 GENERAL FUND BUDGET CATEGORY TRANSFER TO POLICE PENSION # 100 9100 59004 TO THE POLICE PENSION FUND # 805 0000 47101 AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.**

Bigley moved seconded by Burnside that the rules of Council be suspended and the ordinance be placed upon its passage.

Roll Call: Voting Yea: Baluck, Bayus (absent), Bigley, Burnside, Carcelli, Gomon, Pingley.

No Remarks.

Bigley moved seconded by Burnside that the ordinance be passed as read.

Roll Call: Voting Yea: Baluck, Bayus (absent) , Bigley, Burnside, Carcelli, Gomon, Pingley.

No Remarks.

Motion Carried 6-0.

Legislation passed by 6-0 vote.

**24-018**

**AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE AUDITOR TO TRANSFER THE SUM OF $35,000.00 FROM THE 2024 GENERAL FUND BUDGET CATEGORY TRANSFER TO FIRE PENSION # 100 9100 59005 TO THE FIRE PENSION FUND # 810 0000 47101 AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.**

Carcelli moved seconded by Bigle that the rules of Council be suspended and the ordinance be placed upon its passage.

Roll Call: Voting Yea: Baluck, Bayus (absent), Bigley, Burnside, Carcelli, Gomon, Pingley.

No Remarks.

Carcelli moved seconded by Bigley that the ordinance be passed as read.

Roll Call: Voting Yea: Baluck, Bayus (absent) , Bigley, Burnside, Carcelli, Gomon, Pingley.

No Remarks.

Motion Carried 6-0.

Legislation passed by 6-0 vote.

**24-019**

**A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE AUDITOR OF MAHONING COUNTY TO REMOVE GRASS LIENS PLACED ON REAL ESTATE LOCATED IN THE CITY OF STRUTHERS, PURSUANT TO SECTION 743.04 OF THE OHIO REVISED CODE AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.**

Burnside moved seconded by Bigley that the rules of Council be suspended and the resolution be placed upon its passage.

Roll Call: Voting Yea: Baluck, Bayus (absent), Bigley, Burnside, Carcelli, Gomon, Pingley.

No Remarks.

Burnside moved seconded by Bigley that the resolution be passed as read.

Roll Call: Voting Yea: Baluck, Bayus (absent) , Bigley, Burnside, Carcelli, Gomon, Pingley.

**Remarks/Comments:**

President Michael S. Patrick and Mr. Bob Benson.

Motion Carried 6-0.

Legislation passed by 6-0 vote.

**24-020**

**A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR AND SAFETY SERVICE DIRECTOR TO ENTER INTO AN AGREEMENT WITH THE BOARD OF MAHONING COUNTY COMMISSIONERS FOR THE REUSE AND RECYCLING DIVISION OF MAHONING COUNTY FOR THE PERIOD COMMENCING JANUARY 1, 2024 AND ENDING DECEMBER 31, 2024 ND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.**

Gomon moved seconded by Bigley that the rules of Council be suspended and the resolution be placed upon its passage.

Roll Call: Voting Yea: Baluck, Bayus (absent), Bigley, Burnside, Carcelli, Gomon, Pingley.

No Remarks.

Gomon moved seconded by Bigley that the resolution be passed as read.

Roll Call: Voting Yea: Baluck, Bayus (absent) , Bigley, Burnside, Carcelli, Gomon, Pingley.

No Remarks.

Motion Carried 6-0.

Legislation passed by 6-0 vote.

**24-021**

**A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR OF THE CITY OF STRUTHERS TO SUBMIT AN APPLICATION TO PARTICIPATE IN SENATOR SHERROD BROWN’S 2025 CONGRESSIONALLY DIRECTED SPENDING AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.**

Bigley moved seconded by Pingley that the rules of Council be suspended and the resolution be placed upon its passage.

Roll Call: Voting Yea: Baluck, Bayus (absent), Bigley, Burnside, Carcelli, Gomon, Pingley.

No Remarks.

Bigley moved seconded byPingley that the resolution be passed as read.

Roll Call: Voting Yea: Baluck, Bayus (absent) , Bigley, Burnside, Carcelli, Gomon, Pingley.

No Remarks.

Motion Carried 6-0.

Legislation passed by 6-0 vote.

**UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

There were no remarks or comments under Unfinished Business.

**NEW BUSINESS**

There were no remarks or comments under New Business.

**REPORT OF LAW DIRECTOR**

Law Director, John N. Zomoida, Jr. was present and had no said report for Council this evening.

There were no remarks or comments for Law Director.

**REPORT OF AUDITOR**

Auditor, Christina S. Bohl was not present and had no report for Council this evening for Council.

There were no remarks or comments for the Auditor.

**REPORT OF SAFETY SERVICE DIRECTOR**

Safety Service Director was present at the meeting and had no report for Council this evening.

There were no remarks or comments for Safety Service Director.

**ADDRESSING OF COUNCIL (On Audio)**

**(On Audio - These minutes are a summarization of the Regular Meeting and not verbatim.)**

President of Council, Michael S. Patrick announced if anyone in the audience would like to address council, please come to the podium and state your name and address for the record. You will have three (3) minutes to speak. Thank you!

President of Council, Michael S. Patrick asked again that the audience come forward if they wish to speak. The following spoke:

There were no remarks or comments under Addressing of Council.

**President of Council, Michael S. Patrick** **announced the following:**

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**ADJOURNMENT**

Carcelli moved seconded by Bigley that the meeting be adjourned.

Roll Call: Voting Yea: Baluck, Bayus (absent), Bigley, Burnside, Carcelli, Gomon, Pingley.

Motion Carried 6-0.

Meeting Adjourned.

President of Council, Mr. Michael S. Patrick declared the meeting be adjourned and thanked everyone for coming to the meeting.

\_*Megan R. Shorthouse*\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ \_\_\_*Michael S. Patrick*\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

CLERK OF COUNCIL PRESIDENT OF COUNCIL