**REGULAR MEETING**

**January 24, 2024**

**Struthers, Ohio 44471**

**LIVE STREAM MEETING LINKS: YOLOBOX NOT WORKING**

**Caucus  6:15 pm**

**General Session   7:00 pm**

The Regular Meeting of the Council of the City of Struthers, Ohio, was held on Wednesday, January 24, 2024 at roughly 7:00 p.m. with the following members present at Roll Call: Baluck, Bayus, 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.

**PRESENTATION OF PROCLAMATION** **(ON AUDIO)**

PROCLAMATIONS PRESENTED BY MAYOR CATHERINE CERCONE MILLER:

* **STRUTHERS HIGH SCHOOL CHEERLEADERS & COACHES**

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

President of Council, Mr. Michael S. Patrick asked for a motion to dispense with the reading of the minutes of 1st Regular Meeting Dated Wednesday, January 10, 2024 and accept the minutes. Do I have a motion? A second?

Carcelli moved seconded by Burnside to dispense with the reading of the minutes of the 1st Regular Meeting Dated Wednesday, January 10, 2024 and accept them as prepared by the Clerk.

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

No Remarks.

Motion Carried 7-0.

Meeting minutes approved and accepted by 7-0 vote.

President of Council, Michael S. Patrick asked the clerk to read the one (1) piece of communications.

**COMMUNICATIONS**

1. **MAYOR’S REPORT DATED MONDAY, JANUARY 22, 2024, SUBMITTED BY MAYOR CATHERINE CERCONE MILLER.**

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

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

No Remarks.

Motion Carried 7-0.

Communications accepted, received, and filed by 7-0 vote.

**MAYOR’S REPORT (REPORT ON FILE)**

Mayor was present and had said report entitled Mayor’s Report Monday, January 22, 2024 for Council this evening. Read in: (Caucus / Chambers) MAYOR’S REPORT: 1) Snow/Parking, 2) Struthers Tax Department, 3) Struthers Fireman’s Association Spaghetti Dinner, 4) Struthers Fight Night, 5) Struthers Gridiron, and 6) The Lowellville Rod and Gun Club. (REPORT ON FILE)

**Catherine Cercone Miller**

Mayor

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**Mayor's Report**

**Jan. 22nd, 2024**

**Snow/Parking**

Please keep in mind that while we may not issue a parking ban during snowfalls, please try to refrain from parking on the streets so our snow plows can maneuver easily.

**Struthers Tax Department**

We began to mail out your filing information postcard on January 12th. We no longer supply a tax form via USPS. However, the tax forms are available for download from our website as well as available for pickup at City Hall at both the front and back doors. E-filing will be available for use on January 29th while paper filing is available now. If you have any questions, please contact our department at 330-755-2181 or visit https://www.cityofstruthers.com/tax\_department.html for more information and downloads.

**Struthers Fireman’s Association Spaghetti Dinner**

This year’s dinner will be held at St. Nick’s Great Hall on Saturday, March 2nd from 3-7pm. Donations are $5.00 children under 5 are free. Carry-outs are available. Please drop off any auction items to my office at City Hall or to the Fire Stations.

**Struthers Fight Night**

On February 3rd, Burnside Boxing along with Paolone will host another Struthers Fight Night at St. Nick’s Great Hall. Doors open at 6pm and fights start at 7pm. Please contact 330-792-7001 or 330-744-4042 for ticket information.

**Struthers Gridiron**

During the Struthers Fight Night, the Struthers Gridiron will be selling tickets for their whiskey raffle fundraiser. You can also contact one of the officers to purchase tickets. Ken Sabol-330-720-1376. Ken George 330-503-4223. Mike Patrick- 330-501-2734 or Venmo @Danyemma.

**The Lowellville Rod & Gun Club**

This year’s fish frys will be on Feb.2nd, March 1st and Nov. 1st at 6225 Quarry Road, Lowellville from 11:30am until 5:30.

Keep Smiling,

Mayor Catherine Cercone Miller

There were no remarks or comments for the Mayor

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

**WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 07, 2024**

**NOTICE OF COUNCIL- AS- A -WHOLE COMMITTEE MEETINGS- SCHEDULED ON WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 07, 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.

**THE PUBLIC WANTING TO BE PRESENT AT THE MEETINGS MUST USE THE BACK ENTRANCE OF THE MUNICIPAL BUILDING. THANK YOU!**

**LIVESTREAM: FACEBOOK/YOUTUBE**

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**F&L Committee Meeting**

**NO YOLOBOX-BROKEN**

**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 wase (7) pieces of legislation this evening for the Regular Meeting of Council.

**LEGISLATION**

**24-002**

**AN ORDINANCE ACCEPTING THE 2024 MUSIC IN MAUTHE PARK DONATION FROM AQUA OHIO, INC. FOR THE AMOUNT OF $5,000.00 AND DIRECTING THE AUDITOR TO CREDIT SAID DONATION TO THE 2024 GENERAL FUND AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.**

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

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

No Remarks.

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

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

No Remarks.

Motion Carried 7-0.

Legislation passed by 7-0 vote.

**24-003**

**AN ORDINANCE APPROPRIATING THE SUM NOT TO EXCEED $44,717.48 FROM THE 2024 GENERAL FUND BUDGET CATEGORY TIFF # 100 9000 53029 FOR THE TIFF SHARE PAID TO CASTLO, 100 SOUTH BRIDGE STREET, STRUTHERS, OHIO 44471 FOR RAIL BRIDGE PAINTING AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.**

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

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

No Remarks.

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

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

No Remarks.

Motion Carried 7-0.

Legislation passed by 7-0 vote.

**FIRST**

**READING**

**AN ORDINANCE AMENDING § 505.01 OF THE CODIFIED ORDINANCES OF CITY OF STRUTHERS, OHIO REGARDING ANIMALS AT LARGE AND REPEALING ANY ORDINANCE INCONSISTENT HEREWITH.**

Bigley moved seconded by Bayus that the ordinance be passed to a second reading.

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

No Remarks.

Motion Carried 7-0.

Legislation passed to second reading by 7-0 vote.

**FIRST**

**READING**

**AN ORDINANCE AMENDING § 933.28 (b) & (c) OF THE STRUTHERS CODIFIED ORDINANCE TO INCRESE SANITARY SEWER RATES.**

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

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

No Remarks.

Motion Carried 7-0.

Legislation passed to second reading by 7-0 vote.

**24-004**

**A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE DISPOSITION OF PROPERTY UNNEEDED, OBSOLETE OR UNFIT FOR MUNICIPAL PURPOSES BY INTERNET AUCTION SALE 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, 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, Bigley, Burnside, Carcelli, Gomon, Pingley.

No Remarks.

Motion Carried 7-0.

Legislation passed by 7-0 vote.

**24-005**

**A RESOLUTION CONFIRMING THAT THE MAYOR AND AUDITOR OF THE CITY OF STRUTHERS SHALL SERVE ON THE MAHONING COUNTY TAX INCENTIVE REVIEW COUNCIL (TIRC) FOR 2024 AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.**

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

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

No Remarks.

Carcelli moved seconded by Bayus that the resolution be passed as read.

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

No Remarks.

Motion Carried 7-0.

Legislation passed by 7-0 vote.

**24-006**

**A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE AUDITOR TO REQUEST AND RECEIVE THE ADVANCE DISTRIBUTION OF REAL PROPERTY TAX COLLECTIONS FROM THE MAHONING COUNTY AUDITOR FOR THE CALENDAR YEAR 2024 AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.**

Bayus 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, Bigley, Burnside, Carcelli, Gomon, Pingley.

No Remarks.

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

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

No Remarks.

Motion Carried 7-0.

Legislation passed by 7-0 vote.

**UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

There were no remarks or comments under Unfinished Business.

**NEW BUSINESS (ON AUDIO)**

President of Council, Michael S. Patrick stated that The Hometown journal is starting to experence some financial difficulties. Please support The Hometown Journal by way of subscriptions & advertising, because the Journal may not be able to continue to run much long. Thank you!

**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 said report for Struthers City 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:

Mr. Eric Rauschenbach, 266 Broad Street, Struthers, Ohio….asked about the live stream meetings. Where did they go and will they be coming back? I haven’t been able to locate and watch the Meetings…

**Remarks/Comments**:

Clerk of Council, Megan R. Shorthouse, President of Council, Michael S. Patrick, and Mr. Dallas A. Bigley.

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

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**ADJOURNMENT**

Carcelli moved seconded by Pingley that the meeting be adjourned.

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

Motion Carried 7-0.

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