

WHITEHALL COUNCIL COMMITTEES

MINUTES – February 8, 2022

Council President Potter called the February 08, 2022 Council Committees' meeting to order at 6:37 p.m.

The following members of council and the administration were present:

Members of the Administration

Council President Thomas Potter
Mayor Kim Maggard
City Attorney Michael Bivens
City Auditor Steve Quinzel
City Treasurer Shaquille Alexander

Council Members

Gerald Dixon
Wes Kantor
Amy Smith
Bob Bailey
Jo Anna Heck
Karen Conison
Lori Elmore

COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE

There was no discussion in Committee of the Whole.

ADMINISTRATION AND FINANCIAL MANAGEMENT

Councilperson Bailey opened at 6:38 p.m. and addressed the legislation in his committee, as follows:

SECOND READING:

ORDINANCE NO. 005-2022 (*Adm & Fin. Mgmt. – 3rd reading – ADOPT 03/01/2022- Bailey/Smith*)
AMENDING 143.15 (d)(1) TITLED EMERGENCY MEDICAL BILLING.

Having no further business, Councilperson Bailey closed at 6:39 p.m.

COMMUNITY STANDARDS AND ENFORCEMENT

Chairperson Smith opened at 6:39 p.m. and said there are no drafts or pending legislation on the agenda.

Chairperson Smith said they would be meeting with OHM for their presentation on Phase II on February 14.

Chairperson Dixon asked Mayor Maggard if she had heard anything about the mask mandates and how long it is going to be since the numbers are falling.

Mayor Maggard replied no. The numbers are falling. She is keeping a close eye on the Franklin County statistics and she is hoping in a week or two that they can do away with the mask mandate. As long as the numbers continue to fall, let us make sure to do our best to control it and then we will be able to remove the masks.

Having nothing further, Chairperson Smith closed at 6:40 p.m.

COMMUNITY AND ELDER ADVOCACY

Chairperson Dixon opened at 6:40 p.m. and said there are no drafts or pending legislation on the agenda.

Chairperson Dixon said there is free bingo on Wednesdays at the Whitehall Senior Center.

Chairperson Elmore asked Mayor Maggard if Buckeye Ranch is still going to be a warming center.

Mayor Maggard replied no. That was for the snowstorm we were expecting if the power lines went down.

Chairperson Heck said the Mask-up Whitehall; the free mask distribution is February 15 from five to eight pm at City Hall.

Having no further business, Chairperson Dixon closed at 6:42 p.m.

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

Chairperson Kantor opened at 6:42 p.m. and said there are no drafts or pending legislation on the agenda.

There was no discussion in Economic Development.

Having nothing further, Chairperson Kantor closed at 6:42 p.m.

INFRASTRUCTURE, MAINTENANCE AND SERVICE

Chairperson Conison opened at 6:42 p.m. and addressed the legislation in her committee, as follows:

SECOND READING:

RESOLUTION NO. 008-2022 (*Infra, Maint. & Serv. – 2nd reading – ADOPT 02/15/2022–Conison/Kantor*)
AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO ENTER INTO AN AGREEMENT(S) WITH THE OHIO DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION (ODOT) FOR IMPROVEMENTS AT THE MAIN STREET AND HAMILTON ROAD INTERSECTION AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

Chairperson Kantor said the Road Warriors did an amazing job with the snowstorm last week.

There was discussion on the residual effect of plowing the streets and the forming of an icy crust in everyone's driveway especially the elderly. The conclusion was that neighbors should be helping neighbors.

Having nothing further, Chairperson Conison closed at 6:46 p.m.

PUBLIC SAFETY

Chairperson Elmore opened at 6:47 p.m. and said there are no drafts or pending legislation on the agenda.

There was no discussion in Public Safety.

Having nothing further, Chairperson Elmore closed at 6:47 p.m.

PARKS AND RECREATION

Chairperson Heck opened at 6:47 p.m. and said there are no drafts or pending legislation on the agenda.

Chairperson Heck said starting this Saturday Parks and Rec would be offering Wellness Weekends at the YMCA from nine-thirty to eleven am. They are offering fitness, nutrition and art. There is no charge but you will need to sign-ups on the City of Whitehall's website or the Facebook page. They have soccer sign-ups as well.

Having nothing further, Chairperson Heck closed at 6:48 p.m.

President Potter said on behalf of Council, the Administration and Ms. Ogg, he welcomed Treasurer Shaquille Alexander, everyone looks forward to working with him and they are very excited about the future.

Meeting adjourned at 6:48 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Julie A. Ogg, Clerk of Council