

WHITEHALL CITY COUNCIL  
AGENDA MEETING MINUTES

President Potter called the March 21, 2023 agenda meeting to order at 6:30 p.m. All members were present.

President Potter reviewed the agenda and confirmed who would handle the various required motions this evening.

The meeting adjourned at 6:32 p.m.

Submitted by,

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Julie A. Ogg, Clerk of Council

APPROVED: April 4, 2023

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Thomas M. Potter, Council President

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President Potter called the regular meeting of Whitehall City Council to order at 7:00 p.m. on Tuesday, March 21, 2023.

At President Potter's request, everyone rose for a moment of silence. Those assembled then recited the Pledge of Allegiance.

On roll call by the clerk, the following members of council were present:

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

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

Ms. Conison moved to approve the March 7, 2023 agenda and regular meeting minutes. Mr. Kantor seconded the motion. There was no discussion. On a roll call vote, all members responded in the affirmative and the minutes were approved.

POLL PUBLIC:

No comments at this time.

STANDING COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Administration and Financial Management – Chairperson Bailey reported that the committee met last Tuesday and their minutes are on file. They will meet again next week, sometime after 6:30 p.m.

Community and Elder Advocacy – Chairperson Dixon reported that the committee met last Tuesday and their minutes are on file. They will meet again next week, sometime after 6:30 p.m.

Community Standards and Enforcement – Chairperson Smith reported that the committee met last Tuesday and their minutes are on file. They will meet again next week, sometime after 6:30 p.m.

Economic Development – Chairperson Kantor reported that the committee met last Tuesday and their minutes are on file. They will meet again next week, sometime after 6:30 p.m.

Infrastructure, Maintenance and Services – Chairperson Conison reported that the committee met last Tuesday and their minutes are on file. They will meet again next week, sometime after 6:30 p.m.

Public Safety – Chairperson Elmore reported that the committee met last Tuesday and their minutes are on file. They will meet again next week, sometime after 6:30 p.m.

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Parks and Recreation – Chairperson Heck reported that the committee met last Tuesday and their minutes are on file. They will meet again next week, sometime after 6:30 p.m.

OFFICIALS' REPORTS

Mayor Kim Maggard – asked for favorable consideration on Ordinance 013-2022.

City Administrator Zach Woodruff – had no official report.

City Attorney Michael Bivens – the numbers for February are of the four hundred sixty six cases handled by his office only forty-four Whitehall residents committed the crimes. That equates to nine percent.

City Auditor Steve Quincel – was not present.

Public Safety Director Van Gregg – was not present.

Treasurer Shaquille Alexander– had no official report.

President Potter – advised there have been no Official's Reports filed in the Council office since the last meeting.

COMMUNICATIONS, PETITIONS AND CLAIMS:

1. Notice from the Ohio Division of Liquor Control for a new C1 license from ADDIS ABABA GROCERY LLC, DBA CONVENIENCE STORE, 157 FAIRWAY BLVD., WHITEHALL, OH 43213.

PUBLIC HEARING:

ORDINANCE NO. 013-2023

MAKING UPDATES TO PART 11 – PLANNING AND ZONING CODE, TITLE 3, CHAPTERS 1120 THROUGH 1130 OF THE WHITEHALL CODIFIED CODE AND OUTLINED IN EXHIBITs A, B AND C.

President Potter opened the public hearing on Ordinance No. 013-2023 at 7:05 p.m.

Jason Sudy from OHM gave an overview of what Council had heard previously, the changes made to the document and he answered questions from Councilmembers.

President Potter asked if there were any proponents to Ordinance 013-2023.

Lanae Boyer, 791 Ross Road, Whitehall OH spoke in favor of Accessory Dwelling Units. Her family consists of a husband and five children. She has foster children who visit with her grandchild and her mother in law just moved in with them in December. She is excited about ADU's.

President Potter asked if there were any opponents to Ordinance 013-2023.

There were no opponents.

President Potter closed the public hearing on Ordinance 013-2023 at 7:16 p.m.

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VERIFICATION OF COPIES:

President Potter requested a roll call on whether each member of council received a copy of each item of legislation listed on the agenda prior to the meeting, including any add-on legislation. On a roll call vote, all members responded in the affirmative.

THIRD READING:

ORDINANCE NO. 013-2023 was read by title only by President Potter:

MAKING UPDATES TO PART 11 – PLANNING AND ZONING CODE, TITLE 3, CHAPTERS 1120 THROUGH 1130 OF THE WHITEHALL CODIFIED CODE AND OUTLINED IN EXHIBITs A, B AND C.

Ms. Smith introduced and moved to adopt Ordinance No. 013-2023 and Ms. Heck seconded the motion. There was no discussion. On a roll call vote, all members voted in the affirmative and Ordinance No. 013-2023 was adopted.

SECOND READING:

ORDINANCE NO. 016-2023 was read by title only by President Potter:

AUTHORIZING THE EXPENDITURE OF FORTY-FIVE THOUSAND AND 00/100 DOLLARS (\$45,000.00) FROM THE LAW ENFORCEMENT TRUST FUND ACCOUNT (241-000-50000) FOR TRAINING AND LAW ENFORCEMENT NEEDS.

RESOLUTION NO. 008-2023 was read by title only by President Potter:

TO AGREE TO AN ADJUSTMENT TO THE CITY'S BOUNDARIES BY CONSENTING TO TRANSFER APPROXIMATELY 4.0+/- ACRES FROM THE CITY OF COLUMBUS TO THE CITY OF WHITEHALL.

FIRST READING:

No legislation for first reading.

POLL PUBLIC:

No comments at this time.

COMMUNITY DATE BOARD:

Chairperson Conison – Stuffing Easter eggs at the YMCA on March 30 at 5:00 p.m. and the Easter Egg Hunt will take place on April 1 at 10:00 a.m. at Whitehall Community Park as well.

Chairperson Heck – sign-ups for Summer Camp are being accepted online by the Park and Recreation department.

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POLL COUNCIL:

Chairperson Dixon thanked everyone in attendance tonight and those watching from home. He thanked Mr. Sudy for his considerations. He spoke on Ordinance 013-2023. He had not seen the zoning codes prior to this. He found things interesting and had many questions. He thanked Council and the Administration for bearing with him while he asked his questions. He explained why he voted yes and gave kudos to all those involved in the process. He spoke on Woman's History Month. He stated there have been many influential women in his life, from his Mother, to great friends and many in the public eye who have been a source of inspiration to him.

Chairperson Elmore thanked the viewers and those in the audience. She thanked Lanae Boyer for speaking on AUD's. It shows how progressive the City of Whitehall is under the administration of Mayor Maggard and City Council. She is thankful for the vision, the progression and the great things that are happening. This may be the end of Woman's Month, women rock!

Chairperson Conison thanked everyone for watching from home and those in attendance.

Chairperson Kantor said happy spring to everyone and thanked those in attendance and those watching from home. He thanked Ms. Boyer for coming in and Mr. Bivens for the great numbers from February. He thanked Ms. Plank for attending.

Chairperson Heck thanked everyone in attendance tonight and those watching from home. She thanked Ms. Boyer for speaking and Mr. Bivens for his stats.

Chairperson Smith thanked everyone watching from home, those in attendance and those speaking. She is also excited about ADU's

Chairperson Bailey said when he sits back and looks at the changes, especially with the zoning and development; in the next three to five years, it is going to be amazing. There are folks talking about the development going on and they are excited about it.

President Potter thanked everyone for attending, those watching from home and Ms. Boyer and Mr. Sudy for speaking.

Having nothing further, Mr. Bailey moved to adjourn and Mr. Kantor seconded the motion. On a roll call vote, all members responded in the affirmative and the meeting adjourned at 7:28 p.m.

Submitted by,

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Julie A. Ogg, Clerk of Council

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Thomas M. Potter, Council President