

WHITEHALL CITY COUNCIL
AGENDA MEETING MINUTES

President Potter called the July 19, 2022 agenda meeting to order at 6:30 p.m. All members were present with the exception of Ms. Elmore.

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

The meeting adjourned at 6:41 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Julie A. Ogg, Clerk of Council

APPROVED: _____, 2022.

Thomas M. Potter, Council President

WHITEHALL CITY COUNCIL MEETING

MINUTES – July 19, 2022

President Potter called the regular meeting of Whitehall City Council to order at 7:00 p.m. on Tuesday, July 19, 2022.

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:

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

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

Ms. Conison moved to approve the July 5, 2022, 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 as submitted.

PRESENTATION:

Police Chief Mike Crispen introduced and recognized the 2022 class of the Whitehall Youth Police Academy graduates. Officer Mark Showalter explained what the program was about and gave Councilmembers a time to ask the graduates any questions they may have had.

PRESENTATION:

Officer Mark Showalter recognized and honored Andre Jackson who is a Whitehall Yearling High School student for his academic achievements and athletic performance.

RESOLUTION NO 020-2022 *was read by title only by President Potter:*

RESOLUTION HONORING WHITEHALL YEARLING HIGH SCHOOL STUDENT ANDRE JACKSON FOR HIS ACADEMIC ACHIEVEMENTS AND ATHLETIC PERFORMANCE.

Ms. Conison introduced and moved to suspend the rules on Resolution No. 020-2022 and Mr. Dixon seconded the motion. There was no discussion. On a roll call vote, all members voted in the affirmative and Resolution No. 020-2022 was suspended.

Ms. Conison moved to adopt Resolution No. 020-2022 and Mr. Dixon seconded the motion. There was no discussion. On a roll call vote, all members voted in the affirmative and Resolution No. 020-2022 was adopted.

Ms. Conison read the Resolution in full and presented Andre Jackson with the Resolution.

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 they 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 they 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 they 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 they 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 they met last Tuesday and their minutes are on file. They will meet again next week, sometime after 6:30 p.m.

Parks and Recreation – Chairperson Heck reported that they 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 – she thanked City Council for recognizing Andre Jackson and thank you to the Whitehall Police Department for their interest in raising awareness of what a Police Officer and safety is about. She asked for favorable consideration on first reading of Ordinance 037-2022, 038-2022, 039-2022, 040-2022, 045-2022, 046-2022, 047-2022, 048-2022, 049-2022 and Resolutions 021-2022 and 022-2022. It is only eleven days until the Food Truck Fest and two weeks until National Night Out. It is a very busy summer.

City Administrator Zach Woodruff – was not present.

City Attorney Michael Bivens – thanked those that came out this evening and those tuning in from home. He thanked the Whitehall Division of Police for the recognition of the young students who went through that program. He recalled when Officer Showalter had that as a dream in his heart years ago and to

see it has blossomed is great. The recognition of Andre Jackson from Council is phenomenal. Whitehall is a small city, doing great things, which demonstrates the opportunity that exists here, and it starts from the top. His official report from the City Attorney's office is a much-deserved vacation is on the horizon for Lorena Lacey, who has not taken a vacation since she has been with his office. Racheal Boyce and Kylie Keitch will fill in for Lorena in her absence.

City Auditor Steve Quincel – said they have received the American Rescue Plan Act funds and the six thousand dollars from the Opioid Settlement Fund. He asked for favorable consideration on Ordinances 040-2022, 045-2022, 046-2022, 047-2022 and Resolution 021-2022.

Public Safety Director Van Gregg – was not present.

Treasurer Shaquille Alexander– said he had no official report (microphone not turned on).

President Potter – advised that the following reports have been filed in the Council office since the last meeting: The Treasurers Investment Report for January 2022, The Treasurers Activity by Fund Report for January 2022, The Treasurers Fund Reconciliation Report for January 2022 and The Mayors Report to Council for May and June 2022.

COMMUNICATIONS, PETITIONS AND CLAIMS:

1. Agenda for July 11, 2022 BZBA Meeting.
2. Minutes for June 13, 2022 BZBA Meeting.
3. Minutes for July 7, 2022 Planning Commission Meeting.

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:

There was no legislation for third reading.

SECOND READING:

There was no legislation for second reading.

FIRST READING:

ORDINANCE NO. 037-2022 was read by title only by President Potter:

AUTHORIZING AND APPROVING A FUND TRANSFER IN THE AMOUNT OF ONE HUNDRED TWENTY FIVE THOUSAND AND NO/DOLLARS (\$125,000.00) FROM UNAPPROPRIATED MONIES IN THE GENERAL FUND 101 TO THE ACCRUED BENEFIT RESERVE FUND 505; AUTHORIZING AND APPROVING A SUPPLEMENTAL APPROPRIATION FROM THE ACCRUED BENEFIT RESERVE FUND 505 TO THE ACCRUED BENEFIT RESERVE EXPENSE ACCOUNT 505.000.51000 IN THE AMOUNT OF ONE HUNDRED AND TWENTY FIVE THOUSAND DOLLARS AND NO/100 (\$125,000.00) AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

Mr. Bailey introduced and moved to suspend the rules on Ordinance No. 037-2022 and Ms. Conison seconded the motion. There was no discussion. On a roll call vote, all members voted in the affirmative and Ordinance No. 037-2022 was suspended.

Mr. Bailey moved to adopt Ordinance No. 037-2022 and Ms. Conison seconded the motion. There was no discussion. On a roll call vote, all members voted in the affirmative and Ordinance No. 037-2022 was adopted.

ORDINANCE NO. 038-2022 was read by title only by President Potter:

AUTHORIZING AND APPROVING THE FOLLOWING FUND TRANSFERS AND SUPPLEMENTAL APPROPRIATIONS IN THE TOTAL AMOUNT OF ONE HUNDRED SIXTY THREE THOUSAND AND NO/DOLLARS (\$163,000.00) TO ENSURE EFFECTIVE OPERATIONS FOR THE REMAINDER OF THE 2022 FISCAL YEAR AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

Mr. Bailey introduced and moved to suspend the rules on Ordinance No. 038-2022 and Ms. Smith seconded the motion. There was no discussion. On a roll call vote, all members voted in the affirmative and Ordinance No. 038-2022 was suspended.

Mr. Bailey moved to adopt Ordinance No. 038-2022 and Ms. Smith seconded the motion. There was no discussion. On a roll call vote, all members voted in the affirmative and Ordinance No. 038-2022 was adopted.

ORDINANCE NO. 039-2022 was read by title only by President Potter:

AUTHORIZING AND APPROVING THE FOLLOWING FUND ADVANCES IN THE TOTAL AMOUNT OF NINETY EIGHT THOUSAND, EIGHT HUNDRED TWENTY EIGHT DOLLARS AND .64/100 (\$98,828.64) AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

Mr. Bailey introduced and moved to suspend the rules on Ordinance No. 039-2022 and Ms. Conison seconded the motion. There was no discussion. On a roll call vote, all members voted in the affirmative and Ordinance No. 039-2022 was suspended.

Mr. Bailey moved to adopt Ordinance No. 039-2022 and Ms. Conison seconded the motion. There was no discussion. On a roll call vote, all members voted in the affirmative and Ordinance No. 039-2022 was adopted.

ORDINANCE NO. 040-2022 was read by title only by President Potter:

AUTHORIZING AND APPROVING A SUPPLEMENTAL APPROPRIATION IN THE AMOUNT OF ONE THOUSAND FIVE HUNDRED 00/100 DOLLARS (\$1,500.00) FROM UNAPPROPRIATED MONIES IN THE STATE SALES TAX FUND (856) TO THE SALES TAX EXPENSE ACCOUNT (856.000.50000) AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

Mr. Bailey introduced and moved to suspend the rules on Ordinance No. 040-2022 and Ms. Heck seconded the motion. There was no discussion. On a roll call vote, all members voted in the affirmative and Ordinance No. 040-2022 was suspended.

Mr. Bailey moved to adopt Ordinance No. 040-2022 and Ms. Heck seconded the motion. There was no discussion. On a roll call vote, all members voted in the affirmative and Ordinance No. 040-2022 was adopted.

ORDINANCE NO. 041-2022 was read by title only by President Potter:

AMENDING ORDINANCE NO. 040-2011 TO UPDATE THE TAX EXEMPTIONS AVAILABLE WITHIN THE MAIN STREET RE/DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT COMMUNITY REINVESTMENT AREA.

ORDINANCE NO. 042-2022 was read by title only by President Potter:

AMENDING THE ZONING MAP ATTACHED TO CHAPTER 1122 OF THE 1970 CODIFIED ORDINANCES OF THE CITY OF WHITEHALL, OHIO AND AS SUBSEQUENTLY AMENDED, AMENDING THE PLANNED UNIT DEVELOPMENT (PUD) APPROVED ON NOVEMBER 2, 2021 FOR THE PROPERTY LOCATED ON EAST BROAD ST, HAMILTON RD, AND POTH RD, PARCEL NUMBERS LISTED IN APPENDIX A, PROPERTY OWNED BY CITY OF WHITEHALL AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

ORDINANCE NO. 043-2022 was read by title only by President Potter:

APPROVING COMMUNITY REINVESTMENT AREA REAL PROPERTY TAX EXEMPTION APPLICATIONS FOR YEARLING RICKENBACKER DEVELOPMENT GROUP LLC, WHITEHALL COMMUNITY IMPROVEMENT CORPORATION, YEARLING GREEN 1, LLC, OR THEIR RESPECTIVE DESIGNEES AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

ORDINANCE NO. 044-2022 was read by title only by President Potter:

APPROVING A COMMUNITY REINVESTMENT AREA REAL PROPERTY TAX EXEMPTION APPLICATION FOR BUCKEYE APARTMENTS LLC OR ITS DESIGNEE AND AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTION OF A MASTER COMMUNITY REINVESTMENT AREA AGREEMENT FOR THE PROVISION OF A REAL PROPERTY TAX ABATEMENTS WITHIN THE EAST BROAD STREET DISTRICT COMMUNITY REINVESTMENT AREA IN ACCORDANCE WITH A DEVELOPMENT AGREEMENT AND FOR THE PURPOSE OF ENCOURAGING THE CREATION OF NEW JOBS WITHIN THE CITY; AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

ORDINANCE NO. 045-2022 was read by title only by *President Potter*:

MAKING AND APPROVING A FUND TRANSFER IN THE AMOUNT OF FORTY THOUSAND SIX HUNDRED TWELVE AND 00/100 DOLLARS (\$40,612.00) FROM UNAPPROPRIATED MONIES IN THE GENERAL FUND (101) TO THE STREET MAINTENANCE AND REPAIR FUND (201); MAKING A SUPPLEMENTAL APPROPRIATION OF FORTY THOUSAND SIX HUNDRED TWELVE AND NO/100 DOLLARS (\$40,612.00) FROM THE STREET MAINTENANCE AND REPAIR FUND (201) TO THE SIGNALS/SIGNS EXPENSE ACCCOUNT (201.000.53500) AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

Mr. Bailey introduced and moved to suspend the rules on Ordinance No. 045-2022 and Ms. Conison seconded the motion. There was no discussion. On a roll call vote, all members voted in the affirmative and Ordinance No. 045-2022 was suspended.

Mr. Bailey moved to adopt Ordinance No. 045-2022 and Ms. Conison seconded the motion. There was no discussion. On a roll call vote, all members voted in the affirmative and Ordinance No. 045-2022 was adopted.

ORDINANCE NO. 046-2022 was read by title only by *President Potter*:

AUTHORIZING AND APPROVING AN APPROPRIATION TRANSFER IN THE AMOUNT OF EIGHT THOUSAND SIXTY-FIVE AND 60/00 DOLLARS (\$8,065.60) FROM APPROPRIATED MONIES IN THE 267.000.53000 2019 BULLETPROOF VESTS EXPENSE ACCOUNT TO THE 2021 BULLETPROOF VESTS EXPENSE ACCOUNT 267.000.54000 AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

Mr. Bailey introduced and moved to suspend the rules on Ordinance No. 046-2022 and Ms. Elmore seconded the motion. There was no discussion. On a roll call vote, all members voted in the affirmative and Ordinance No. 046-2022 was suspended.

Mr. Bailey moved to adopt Ordinance No. 046-2022 and Ms. Elmore seconded the motion. There was no discussion. On a roll call vote, all members voted in the affirmative and Ordinance No. 046-2022 was adopted.

ORDINANCE NO. 047-2022 was read by title only by *President Potter*:

AUTHORIZING A SUPPLEMENTAL APPROPRIATION IN THE AMOUNT OF FOUR THOUSAND AND NO/DOLLARS (\$4,000.00) FROM PREVIOUSLY UNAPPROPRIATED MONIES IN THE GENERAL FUND (101) TO ACCOUNT 101.950.57200 MUNICIPAL COURT COSTS AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

Mr. Bailey introduced and moved to suspend the rules on Ordinance No. 047-2022 and Ms. Smith seconded the motion. There was no discussion. On a roll call vote, all members voted in the affirmative and Ordinance No. 047-2022 was suspended.

Mr. Bailey moved to adopt Ordinance No. 047-2022 and Ms. Smith seconded the motion. There was no discussion. On a roll call vote, all members voted in the affirmative and Ordinance No. 047-2022 was adopted.

ORDINANCE NO. 048-2022 was read by title only by President Potter:

AUTHORIZING AND APPROVING THE CREATION FUND 324 TITLED “PD BUILDING RENOVATION/ADDITION”; AUTHORIZING AND APPROVING A FUND ADVANCE TRANSFER IN THE AMOUNT OF ONE HUNDRED EIGHTY FOUR THOUSAND, FOUR HUNDRED FIFTY AND NO/DOLLARS (184,450.00) FROM UNAPPROPRIATED MONIES IN THE GENERAL FUND 101 TO THE PD BUILDING RENOVATION/ADDITION FUND 324; APPROPRIATING ONE HUNDRED EIGHTY FOUR THOUSAND, FOUR HUNDRED FIFTY AND NO/DOLLARS (184,450.00) FROM THE PD BUILDING RENOVATION/ADDITION FUND 324 TO THE 324-000-51000 EXPENSE ACCOUNT AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

Mr. Bailey introduced and moved to suspend the rules on Ordinance No. 048-2022 and Ms. Heck seconded the motion. There was no discussion. On a roll call vote, all members voted in the affirmative and Ordinance No. 048-2022 was suspended.

Mr. Bailey moved to adopt Ordinance No. 048-2022 and Ms. Heck seconded the motion. There was no discussion. On a roll call vote, all members voted in the affirmative and Ordinance No. 048-2022 was adopted.

ORDINANCE NO. 049-2022 was read by title only by President Potter:

AUTHORIZING AND APPROVING AN ADVANCE FUND TRANSFER IN THE AMOUNT OF TWO HUNDRED FIFTY THOUSAND AND NO/DOLLARS (\$250,000.00) FROM UNAPPROPRIATED MONIES IN THE GENERAL FUND 101 TO THE 314 TECHNOLOGY FUND; APPROVING A SUPPLEMENTAL APPROPRIATION IN THE AMOUNT OF TWO HUNDRED FIFTY THOUSAND AND NO/DOLLARS (\$250,000.00) FROM THE 314 TECHNOLOGY FUND TO THE TECHNOLOGY EXPENSE ACCOUNT 314.000.50000 AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

Mr. Bailey introduced and moved to suspend the rules on Ordinance No. 049-2022 and Mr. Dixon seconded the motion. There was no discussion. On a roll call vote, all members voted in the affirmative and Ordinance No. 049-2022 was suspended.

Mr. Bailey moved to adopt Ordinance No. 049-2022 and Mr. Dixon seconded the motion. There was no discussion. On a roll call vote, all members voted in the affirmative and Ordinance No. 049-2022 was adopted.

RESOLUTION NO 021-2022 was read by title only by President Potter:

ADOPTING THE TAX BUDGET FOR THE CITY OF WHITEHALL, OHIO, FOR THE FISCAL YEAR BEGINNING JANUARY 1, 2023 AND SUBMITTING SAME TO THE COUNTY AUDITOR AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

Mr. Bailey introduced and moved to suspend the rules on Resolution No. 021-2022 and Mr. Kantor seconded the motion. There was no discussion. On a roll call vote, all members voted in the affirmative and Resolution No. 021-2022 was suspended.

Mr. Bailey moved to adopt Resolution No. 021-2022 and Mr. Kantor seconded the motion. There was no discussion. On a roll call vote, all members voted in the affirmative and Resolution No. 021-2022 was adopted.

RESOLUTION NO 022-2022 was read by title only by President Potter:

APPROVING A RESOLUTION FOR THE MAYOR OF THE CITY OF WHITEHALL, OHIO TO ENTER INTO CONTRACT WITH CONCORD ADDIS CONSTRUCTION CONSULTANTS TO PROVIDE OWNER'S REPRESENTATIVE SERVICE ON THE POLICE STATION EXPANSION AND RENOVATION AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

Ms. Elmore introduced and moved to suspend the rules on Resolution No. 022-2022 and Ms. Heck seconded the motion. There was no discussion. On a roll call vote, all members voted in the affirmative and Resolution No. 022-2022 was suspended.

Ms. Elmore moved to adopt Resolution No. 022-2022 and Ms. Heck seconded the motion. There was no discussion. On a roll call vote, all members voted in the affirmative and Resolution No. 022-2022 was adopted.

POLL PUBLIC:

No comments at this time.

COMMUNITY DATE BOARD:

Nothing for Community Date Board at this time.

POLL COUNCIL:

Chairperson Smith thanked everyone for viewing and those in attendance. Congratulations to all the students in attendance tonight. There are many great things going on in the city so come on out and join them.

Chairperson Bailey said that having competed at the state level in high school and just trying to get to the state level is very difficult. Andre Jackson has competed in the 400 and what he has achieved is remarkable. The number of students graduating from the Police Academy this year is indicative of how much this community supports the Police Department. One thing that stands out to his is the officers are dedicated to this community and to its residents. He is delighted that Council supports the Police Department.

Chairperson Dixon thanked Chief Crispen for the presentation of the Youth Police Academy graduates. He likes and thinks it is important that the youth are getting involved civically. He thanked Andre Jackson and again another example of someone doing such a wonderful job rising to the top. He is a shining example of the things he believes in our society. He thanked everyone watching from home and participating whether in attendance or watching from home and he feels it is important. He appreciates Mr. Bailey and Mr. Potter for all they had to read at first readings tonight.

Chairperson Elmore thanked everyone for listening, participating and attending week after week. She thanked all those in the community who support young people and encourage them to continue to do better. She believes that Chief Crispen promotes the programs that educate and could even lead to a career in safety forces. She seconded what Mr. Bailey said about competing at the state level. It is very difficult. The amazing work that Andre Jackson has done is amazing. He is a scholar athlete and she should

commends his family. She thinks Whitehall has many programs and she encourages people to come out and enjoy some activities.

Chairperson Conison said she did not have anything to add but she wanted everyone to remember the name Andre Jackson. She said he would be back here. He has two more years to go in high school. It was wonderful to see all these students out tonight.

Chairperson Kantor thanked everyone for attending and viewing from home tonight. He thanked Mr. Shannon for his presence tonight. He commended Mr. Dixon for what he does. He sit up there and he watches Mr. Dixon take notes and when he does talk it is not easy and people think it is easy and it is not. He thanked Mr. Potter and Mr. Bailey as well. He appreciates Mr. Alexander for getting his reports out. He thanked Ms. Thomas for stepping in tonight and getting the doors unlocked to let all the people in tonight.

Chairperson Heck said the presentation were great and it was great to see all the families and she hopes to see them at some of the events this year.

President Potter thanked Mr. Bailey for covering for him last week. He thanked Casey for doing a good job

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 7:58 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Julie A. Ogg, Clerk of Council

APPROVED: _____, 2022.

Thomas M. Potter, Council President