

**MINUTES OF PERRYSBURG CITY COUNCIL**

**MEETING HELD NOVEMBER 19, 2019**

Mayor Mackin called the meeting to order at 6:32 p.m. Present were Council Members Deborah Born, Jim Matuszak, Tim McCarthy, Jonathan Smith, Barry VanHoozen, Mark Weber, and Becky Williams (7). Also present were Bridgette Kabat, City Administrator, Laura Alkire, Law Director, and David Creps, Clerk of Council.

There was a moment of silence in honor of Tom St. Meyers, former Recreation Director, who passed away earlier in the month.

Mr. Matuszak moved to approve the minutes of the special City Council meeting held November 5, 2019 as written and to dispense with their reading. Seconded by Mr. Smith. Ayes: Matuszak, McCarthy, Smith, VanHoozen, and Weber (5). Nays: (0). Abstain: Born and Williams (2).

Mr. Matuszak moved to approve the minutes of the November 5, 2019 City Council meeting as written and to dispense with their reading. Seconded by Mr. Weber. Ayes: (7). Nays: (0).

**SPECIAL REPORTS**

None.

**LETTERS, COMMUNICATIONS, AND CITIZENS' CONCERNS**

None.

**ADMINISTRATIVE REPORTS**

**Mayor's Report**

Mayor Mackin congratulated the successful candidates for City Council and School Board and thanked them for their willingness to serve.

Mayor Mackin recommended the following re-appointment and appointments to commissions and boards:

Re-appointment:

| <b>Name</b> | <b>Commission/Board Name</b> | <b>Length</b> | <b>Term Expires</b> |
|-------------|------------------------------|---------------|---------------------|
| Megan Artz  | Way Public Library Board     | 4 years       | 12/31/2023          |

Appointments:

| <b>Name</b>  | <b>Commission/Board Name</b>  | <b>Length</b> | <b>Term Expires</b> |
|--------------|-------------------------------|---------------|---------------------|
| Colleen Boff | Way Public Library Board      | 4 years       | 12/31/2023          |
| John Aubry   | Way Public Library Board      | 4 years       | 12/31/2023          |
| Victor Senn  | Historic Landmarks Commission | 3 years       | 12/31/2022          |

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| Anthony Coleman  | Historic Landmarks Commission               | 3 years | 12/31/2022 |
| Mark Weber       | Historic Landmarks Commission               | 3 years | 12/31/2022 |
| Becky Williams   | Board of Zoning Appeals                     | 3 years | 12/31/2022 |
| Philip Walton    | Street Tree Commission<br>(unexpired term)  | 1 year  | 12/31/2020 |
| Ryan Krauthiem   | Litter Prev. & Recycling Board<br>(student) | 1 year  | 6/1/2020   |
| Daniella Morello | Litter Prev. & Recycling Board<br>(student) | 1 year  | 6/1/2020   |

Mr. Matuszak reported that the Appointment Review Committee met prior to tonight's meeting and unanimously recommended approval of the above re-appointment and appointments.

Mr. Matuszak moved to approve the re-appointment of Megan Artz, and the appointments of Colleen Boff, John Aubry, Victor Senn, Anthony Coleman, Ryan Krauthiem, and Daniella Morello as stated above. Seconded by Ms. Williams. Ayes: Matuszak, McCarthy, Smith, VanHoozen, Weber, and Williams (6). Abstain: Born (1). Ms. Born later said that she abstained because she would prefer waiting until January 1<sup>st</sup> for these appointments.

Mr. Matuszak moved to approve the appointment of Mark Weber to the Historic Landmarks Commission for a three year term expiring December 31, 2022. Seconded by Ms. Williams. Ms. Born read a prepared statement that in her opinion, during his time on City Council Mr. Weber has demonstrated no understanding or sympathy towards historic preservation and these qualities are necessary for anyone being appointed to the Historic Landmarks Commission so she will be voting no. Ayes: Matuszak, McCarthy, Smith, VanHoozen, and Williams (5). Nays: Born (1). Abstain: Weber (1).

Mr. Matuszak moved to approve the appointment of Becky Williams to the Board of Zoning Appeals for a three year term expiring December 31, 2022. Seconded by Mr. McCarthy. Ms. Born read a prepared statement that Ms. Williams has chosen to leave Council of her own volition and previous to her time on City Council she held positions on several volunteer boards. Ms. Born continued, reading that it is time for Ms. Williams to step aside and allow new people with fresh viewpoints to fill these positions. Ayes: Matuszak, McCarthy, Smith, VanHoozen, and Weber (5). Nays: Born (1). Abstain: Williams (1).

Mr. Matuszak moved to approve the appointment of Philip Walton to the Street Tree Commission to fill an unexpired term that ends December 31, 2020. Seconded by Ms. Williams. Ayes: Matuszak, McCarthy, Smith, VanHoozen, Weber, and Williams (6). Nays: Born (1).

### **City Administrator's Report**

No report.

### **Finance Director's Report**

No report.

### **Law Director's Report**

Ms. Alkire reported that she received a courtesy copy of a notice of appeal regarding the HLC decision for 401 West Front Street that Council upheld at their last meeting. She said when she receives a file stamped copy from the Court of Common Pleas, she will send it to City Council.

### **President of Council Report**

No report.

### **Finance and Economic Development Committee:**

Mr. Matuszak gave his report of the November 12, 2019 meeting, a copy of which is attached hereto and made a part of these minutes.

Next meeting: Tuesday, December 10, 2019 at 5:30 p.m.

Mr. Matuszak introduced **ORDINANCE 47-2019 MAKING APPROPRIATIONS FOR CURRENT EXPENSES AND OTHER EXPENDITURES OF THE CITY OF PERRYSBURG, WOOD COUNTY, OHIO, FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 2020 AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY** and moved to allow for its reading by number and title only. Seconded by Ms. Williams. Ayes: (7). Nays: (0). The Clerk read Ordinance 47-2019 by number and title only. There was discussion regarding the proposed budget. Ms. Born asked several questions including about the safety coordinator, the assistant to the Administrator, heart monitors, historic signage, downtown handicap accessibility, fencing around the pickleball courts, improvements at the Department of Public Utilities building, the multi-use path along the river, Maumee-Western Road repairs, riverfront park improvements, and a splash pad. Mr. Smith asked about the Human Resource insurance line item, and Ms. Kabat said that Mr. Creps will correct it. Ms. Williams said that Council received an email from the Perrysburg Heights Community Association regarding a funding request. Ms. Kabat said that they can move \$10,000 from reserves to the City Council special projects line item. Mr. Smith asked about the audio system in Council Chambers. Mayor Mackin said that could be addressed better in the budget amendment. Ms. Kabat said that an architectural engineering firm is putting together a proposal for ADA accessibility issues in the Municipal Building.

Mr. Matuszak introduced **RESOLUTION 75-2019 RECOGNIZING NOVEMBER 30, 2019 AS SMALL BUSINESS SATURDAY AND SUPPORTING AWARENESS OF THE VALUE OF OUR SMALL BUSINESSES** and moved to allow for its reading by number and title only and to dispense with the second and third readings. Seconded by Ms. Williams. Ayes: (7). Nays: (0). The Clerk read Resolution 75-2019 by number and title only. Mr. Matuszak moved that Resolution 75-2019 be passed. Seconded by Ms. Williams. Ayes: (7). Nays: (0).

### **Service Committee:**

No report.

Next meeting: Tuesday, November 26, 2019 at 6:00 p.m., which is a change from the regular date and time.

**Safety Committee:**

Mayor Mackin gave a shout out to everyone involved in the incidents the last two Fridays involving police pursuits. He said that this past Friday there was an event scheduled at Toth School, and there was great communication between the City and the Schools. Mr. Weber thanked Ms. Kabat and Shannon Solt, Public Information Officer, for keeping City Council informed during both incidents.

Mr. Weber said that the November Safety Committee meeting is cancelled due to a lack of agenda items, and the December meeting will need to be rescheduled if one is needed because the fourth Tuesday in December is Christmas Eve. He said that they will wait until a later time to determine if a December meeting is needed.

**Recreation Committee:**

No report.

Next meeting: Tuesday, December 10, 2019 at 6:30 p.m.

**Planning and Zoning Committee:**

Mr. McCarthy stated that at the last committee meeting he talked about referring the issue of raising hens back to the Planning Commission, but there was no support from his fellow committee members. Ms. Williams said that we currently have an ordinance with no enforcement language. She said that she would not support sending it back to the Planning Commission to allow raising hens, only for the enforcement portion. Ms. Alkire stated that the enforcement language does not need to go to the Planning Commission. Mr. Weber said that when the ordinance was passed in August of 2017 people could have gone out and gotten hens before they were microchipped, but that didn't happen. He said that he does not think that if approved we will see Perrysburg overrun by hens. He added that a lot of urban areas are allowing hens and the problems and complaints are non-existent. Mr. McCarthy moved to refer to the Planning Commission whether an amendment should be made to allow the raising of hens. Seconded by Ms. Born. Ayes: Born, Matuszak, McCarthy, Smith, VanHoozen, and Weber (6). Nays: Williams (1).

Next meeting, Wednesday, November 20, 2019 at 5:30 p.m., which is a change from the regular date.

**Personnel Committee:**

No report.

Next meeting: Tuesday, November 26, 2019 at 5:00 p.m.

**Public Utilities Committee:**

No report.

Next meeting: Monday, December 2, 2019 at 6:00 p.m., which is a change from the regular date.

**OTHER BUSINESS**

None.

**ADJOURNMENT**

Mr. Matuszak moved to adjourn the meeting at 7:36 p.m. Seconded by Mr. Smith.  
Ayes: (7). Nays: (0).

David D. Creps, Clerk

Thomas G. Mackin, Mayor