

President Chad Doll called the meeting to order at 7:30pm on November 17, 2025 at 701 Parlette Court with the following members present: Alex Stinebaugh, Jessica Muhlenkamp, Brandon Miller, Alex Greve, John Sheipline, Terry Campbell and Chad Dunlap. Law Director Grant Neal and Safety Service Director Tyler Price were also present. There were 5 visitors present. Mayor Dan Lee was absent.

Motion by Greve, second by Sheipline to approve the minutes of the November 3, 2025 council meeting as submitted. Vote – 7 yeas, 0 nays. Motion passed.

Guest Petitions–

Ms. Kristina Morris of 613 Fox St., New Bremen, addressed Council regarding her candidacy as Auglaize County Common Pleas Court Judge. Ms. Morris explained the various divisions of the court and types of cases heard. Ms. Morris shared her education and years of legal experience as well.

New Business-

Motion by Miller, second by Campbell to bring Ordinance 2025-45 to the floor for its first reading. Vote – 7 yeas, 0 nays. Motion passed.

Clerk McDonald announced a public hearing will be held on December 15th at 7:15pm in Council Chambers regarding the preliminary budget numbers for 2026. Mr. Miller explained that Council will first review and approve a temporary budget before the end of 2025, followed by a full appropriations ordinance at the start of 2026.

President Doll asked Clerk to read Res 2025-39 for the third time re: A RESOLUTION DOCUMENTING THE POSITION OF THE CITY OF WAPAKONETA REGARDING NAMING OF ADDRESSING AUTHORITY WITHIN THE JURISDICTION OF THE CITY OF WAPAKONETA.

Motion by Miller, second by Campbell to adopt Res 2025-39. Vote – 7 yeas, 0 nays. Motion passed.

President Doll asked Clerk to read Ord 2025-40 for the second time re: AN ORDINANCE AMENDING SECTION 1028.99 OF THE CODIFIED ORDINANCES OF THE CITY OF WAPAKONETA SPECIFIC TO THE PENALTY FOR VIOLATIONS OF CHAPTER 1028 “TREES”.

President Doll asked Clerk to read Ord 2025-41 for the second time re: AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE DIRECTOR OF PUBLIC SERVICE AND SAFETY TO PURCHASE A FREIGHTLINER M2 TRUCK FOR THE CITY OF WAPAKONETA ELECTRIC DEPARTMENT AND TO UPFIT THE VEHICLE WITH REQUIRED EQUIPMENT.

President Doll asked Clerk to read Res 2025-43 for the first time re: A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE SUBMISSION OF AN ADDITIONAL TWO-MILL TAX LEVY IN EXCESS OF THE TEN-MILL LIMITATION FOR PARKS AND RECREATION PURPOSES TO THE BOARD OF ELECTIONS FOR SUBMISSION TO THE ELECTORS OF THE CITY OF WAPAKONETA.

President Doll asked Clerk to read Ord 2025-44 for the first time re: AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE DIRECTOR OF PUBLIC SAFETY AND SERVICE TO APPLY FOR, ACCEPT, AND ENTER INTO A WATER SUPPLY REVOLVING LOAN ACCOUNT (WSRLA) AGREEMENT ON BEHALF OF THE CITY OF WAPAKONETA FOR PLANNING, DESIGN AND/OR CONSTRUCTION OF WATER FACILITIES; AND DESIGNATING A DEDICATED REPAYMENT SOURCE FOR THE LOAN.

Motion by Muhlenkamp, second by Greve to suspend the rules for Ord 2025-44. SSD Price explained that the ordinance reauthorizes the one already passed in 2023 and the monies will come out of the water treatment fund. This item has been budgeted for. Vote – 7 yeas, 0 nays. Motion passed.

Motion by Dunlap, second by Miller to adopt Ord 2025-44. Vote – 7 yeas, 0 nays. Motion passed.

President Doll asked Clerk to read Ord 2025-45 for the first time re: AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE DIRECTOR OF PUBLIC SERVICE AND SAFETY TO PURCHASE WIRE AND WIRE HARDWARE FROM ANIXTER, INC. FOR VARIOUS CITY PROJECTS.

SSD Price noted the cost is \$439,000 and was previously budgeted for.

Service Director Report:

Wapak Fire Dept. assisted Uniopolis with a grain bin fire. Installed 13 smoke detectors in community. Hosted homeschool students for a tour of the fire station.
Parks and Electric Depts. have begun decorating for Christmas.
Progress Drive pipe installation completed for industrial waterline project.
Water valve and manhole work is ongoing as well.

Mrs. Muhlenkamp asked if gas line work is complete on Pearl Street. SSD Price was not aware.
SSD Price requested Councilors complete the Ohio Fraud Reporting training.

Law Director Report:

No report.

Mrs. Muhlenkamp asked if any violations have recently went to court. Mr. Neal replied, no new cases at this time.

Scheduling Committee Meetings:

None scheduled.

Miscellaneous Business:

Motion by Miller, second by Greve to enter into executive session at 7:58pm to discuss confidential information regarding economic development and inviting Mr. Josh Bloomfield of WAEDC and City Administration. Vote – 7 yeas, 0 nays. Motion passed.

Motion by Miller, second by Greve to exit executive session at 8:38pm. Vote – 7 yeas, 0 nays. Motion passed.

Motion by Campbell, second by Sheipline to adjourn the meeting at 8:38pm. Vote – 7 yeas, 0 nays. Motion passed.

President

Clerk of Council