

President Chad Doll called the meeting to order at 7:30pm on August 4, 2025 at 701 Parlette Court with the following members present: Alex Stinebaugh, Jessica Muhlenkamp, Brandon Miller, Alex Greve, John Shepline and Terry Campbell. Safety Service Director Tyler Price, Mayor Dan Lee and Law Director Grant Neal were also present. There were 4 visitors present. Councilman Chad Dunlap was absent.

Received Income Tax Summary Report for Month Ending 07-31-2025.

Mr. Miller pointed out one correction needed within the Finance Committee meeting section of the July 21<sup>st</sup> Council meeting minutes. Clerk McDonald will make this correction. Motion by Miller, second by Campbell to approve the minutes of the July 21, 2025 council meeting as amended. Vote – 6 yeas, 0 nays. Motion passed.

#### **Communications -**

Clerk McDonald read a notice from the Ohio Division of Liquor Control noting a permit change from: Bhavik LLC 109 Defiance St, Wapakoneta, Ohio to: Gastown 2 LLC, 109 Defiance St, Wapakoneta, Ohio. Council did not request a hearing.

President Doll asked Clerk to read Ord 2025-27 for the third time re: AN ORDINANCE AMENDING SECTION 660.14 OF THE CODIFIED ORDINANCES OF THE CITY OF WAPAKONETA SPECIFIC TO THE FAILURE TO COMPLY WITH A NOTICE TO CUT GRASS, WEEDS, OR VEGETATION OR REMOVE BRUSH, LIMBS, OR DOWNED TREES.

Motion by Miller, second by Shepline to adopt Ord 2025-27. Vote – 6 yeas, 0 nays. Motion passed.

President Doll asked Clerk to read Ord 2025-28 for the second time re: AN ORDINANCE REPEALING CHAPTER 1476 TITLED “FLOOD DAMAGE PREVENTION” OF PART FOURTEEN OF THE CODIFIED ORDINANCES AND ENACTING A NEW CHAPTER 1476 TITLED “FLOOD DAMAGE REDUCTION” OF SAID CODIFIED ORDINANCES OF THE CITY OF WAPAKONETA.

President Doll asked Clerk to read Res 2025-29 for the second time re: A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE EXPENDITURE OF LODGING TAX FUNDS TO REIMBURSE CITY DEPARTMENTS FOR SERVICES PROVIDED TO CERTAIN SPECIAL EVENTS IN THE CITY OF WAPAKONETA

SSD Price provided Council with a spreadsheet showing the breakdown of costs for City services at the special events held annually, amounting to approximately \$21,500. SSD Price explained that after adoption of said resolution, Council need only make a motion regarding amounts to allocate towards this each year. Mr. Miller noted that the lodging tax amounts to approximately \$100,000 per year in available funds.

President Doll asked Clerk to read Ord 2025-30 for the first time re: AN ORDINANCE APPROVING THE APPLICATION SUBMITTED TO COUNCIL TO EXPAND THE REVITALIZATION DISTRICT IN ACCORDANCE WITH OHIO REVISED CODE SECTION 4301.81.

A public hearing has been scheduled for this ordinance for September 2, 2025 at 7:15pm at City Hall.

Mr. Campbell stated that the next Council packet will include a map of the current revitalization district and how it connects to Defiance Street. SSD Price noted that the land added does not increase the amount of liquor permits available.

#### **Mayor Report:**

Summer Moon Festival was a success. Water barriers were added to enhance safety.

A ribbon cutting and blessing for the new ‘baby box’ at the Wapakoneta Fire Department will be held on August 21<sup>st</sup> at 12:00pm.

National Night Out is scheduled for August 5<sup>th</sup> from 6pm-8pm at the Harmon Park Gazebo.

Recreation Advisory Committee meets on August 11<sup>th</sup> at 8pm at City Hall. Public welcome. The recreation levy details need addressed for the May 2026 election.

Mr. Sheipline asked about the trap and release program to spay and neuter stray cats within the City. Infrastructure is in place, but funding is needed to proceed. This program will likely begin in 2026.

**Service Director Report:**

69kv conductor removal has begun from Harrison sub to Park Street.

Flow augmentation project is ongoing. Pipe was installed for Hamilton bore.

Shelly Company won bid for tax levy project. Concrete work is scheduled for August and September, with paving to begin in October.

Sidewalk program bid was awarded to Midwest Concrete.

Miller Contracting is starting the bore under the CSX railroad on Short Road.

Mrs. Muhlenkamp asked if tree trimming will continue on Auglaize Street. Mayor Lee will discuss this with the Tree Commission.

Mr. Miller asked about procedure of utility deposit return. SSD Price will investigate this.

**Law Director Report:**

Spoke to Celina Law Director regarding the notion of a 501c3 for donations to cities. Celina does not have an account such as this. There can be foundations set up at the county level that may accept funds that can benefit municipalities.

Mr. Miller asked if Mr. Neal has reviewed door to door soliciting regulations. Mr. Neal stated that the City can have an ordinance in place to prevent or limit these solicitations, and private property laws can also aid in this effort. Mr. Campbell suggested imposing time and day restrictions for this.

**Scheduling Committee Meetings:**

Lands & Buildings Committee will meet on August 18<sup>th</sup> at 6:30pm at City Hall.

Motion by Miller, second by Greve to adjourn the meeting at 7:55pm. Vote – 6 yeas, 0 nays. Motion passed.

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