

MIDDLETOWN, OHIO

May 7, 2019

At 5:30 p.m., Mayor Mulligan called the City Council meeting to order in Council Chambers, Lower Level of the City Building.

ROLL CALL

City Council Members present: S. Bohannon, J. Mulligan, L. Mulligan, Mr. Moon, A. Vitori.

PRESENTATIONS
National Letter Carriers Food Drive Day

Mayor Mulligan welcomed Sarah Ormbrek to the podium and presented the following proclamation.

PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS, the National Association of Letter Carriers have designated the day of May 11, 2019 as the twenty seventh annual “Stamp Out Hunger Food Drive” day; and

WHEREAS, the NALC Food Drive collected 28,395 pounds of food in Butler County in 2018 and over 1.3 million pounds since 1995; serving thousands of families who need this nourishing food through Shared Harvest Foodbank’s network of food pantries; and

WHEREAS, the AFL-CIO, Shared Harvest Foodbank, Feeding America and countless community volunteers will lend assistance to this charitable endeavor with the United States Postal Service supporting this drive.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Lawrence P. Mulligan, Jr., Mayor of the City of Middletown, Counties of Butler and Warren to assist public awareness of this nationwide endeavor to care for our own, do hereby proclaim Saturday, May 11, 2019, as,

NATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF LETTER CARRIERS FOOD DRIVE DAY

FURTHER, on behalf of all Municipal Officials and Administration, do request all citizens of our community support the efforts of this national annual drive by placing non-perishable food by their mailboxes on May 11, 2019 to help meet the needs of our neighbors locally

CITY MANAGER REPORT

Mr. Adkins expressed his appreciation for Council and Staff’s patience while he was out sick. He stated that there might be a \$5,000 increase to the supplemental appropriations in Resolution R2019-17 to allow for some funding for an upcoming Winshape Camp at the second reading on May 21, 2019. He stated that the Housing Committee has the draft of the proposed housing policy; they will be considering at their meeting on Thursday night. He stated that he would like to have a Council work session beginning at 5 p.m. prior to the May 21st meeting to get an update on the Oakland Renaissance Plan; he asked that the regular meeting begin at 5:45 p.m. He discussed forming a Complete Count Committee in preparation for the 2020 census. Mr. Adkins stated that the Fire Department has been working on staffing and station locations and he suggested that City Council have a workshop before the second meeting in June to discuss the information. He suggested a scheduling a field trip to the fire stations, so that they could get a better feel for the building conditions and issues. He discussed the governors proposed cuts to the Ohio Motion Picture Tax Credits, the Mayor will send a letter asking the governor to reconsider eliminating the tax credit.

CITIZENS COMMENTS
Jeri Lewis- Movies in the Park

Jeri Lewis announced the upcoming Movies in the Park and thanked the many sponsors and volunteers that make the free family friendly event possible.

Jeff Michel- Earth Day Arbor Day Annual Clean-up and Celebration

Jeff Michel stated that they have partnered with Middletown High School this year and that they have had a good response for volunteers. They will focus on Smith Park but have developed a comprehensive plan to clean up the neighborhoods. The tree planting at MHS is scheduled for 11:30 a.m. on May 11, 2019.

Broad Street Bash
Tim Lewis and Adrienne Shearer

Tim Lewis and Adrienne Shearer provided an update on the 2019 Broad Street Bash and commented that this was the 13th year for the popular event.

CONSENT AGENDA

Approve the City Council minutes of April 16, 2019
Receive and File Board and Commission Minutes:
Board of Health- March 12, 2019
Middletown Visitors Bureau- March 18, 2019
Receive and File an Oath of Office for Megan Ellis
Confirm the Appointment of Jordan Pergem to the position of Maintenance Worker in the Department of Public Works and Utilities, Street Maintenance Division
Appoint Betsy Hanavan and John Langhorne to the Tax Incentive Review Committee

Proclamations: National Economic Development Week - May 6-11, 2019
Tuberous Sclerosis Complex Awareness Day- May 15, 2019

Mr. Bohannon moved to approve the issues and actions listed on the Consent Agenda. Mr. J. Mulligan seconded. Motion carried. Ayes: Mr. Bohannon, Mr. Moon, Mr. J. Mulligan, Mr. L. Mulligan, Ms. Vitori.

COUNCIL COMMENTS

Mr. Bohannon

Mr. Bohannon congratulated the local Police Departments on the large drug bust.

Ms. Vitori

Ms. Vitori thanked DMI and John Ferrando of Haute Fusion for putting together a great First Friday event.

Mr. Moon

Mr. Moon stated that he recently attended the SELF Annual Awards Banquet and congratulated the nominees and award winners and he also congratulated the NAACP award and scholarship winners.

Mr. L. Mulligan

Mr. L. Mulligan commented that recently he, Mary Huttlinger and City Manager Adkins were guests on the Miami Valley Voices radio program a few weeks ago to talk about the great things going on downtown. The Pendleton Art Center celebrated its 8th anniversary as part of the First Friday events. He announced that art students from Miami University Regionals will add art to perk up utility boxes; this idea was brought together by the Middletown Rotary Club, Middletown Arts Center, Miami University Regionals and the Middletown Community Foundation. He stated that Belle Bridal Boutique and Swire Inn had just celebrated their ribbon cutting events and Kingswell has their coming up this week. He reminded everyone that Cincinnati State has summer programming available.

Waive Charter

Mr. Moon moved to suspend the Charter provision that requires reading on two separate days and to declare Ordinance No. 02019-23 and Ordinance No. 02019-24 emergency measures to be read one time only. Mr. J. Mulligan seconded. Motion carried. Ayes: Mr. Moon, Mr. J. Mulligan, Mr. L. Mulligan, Mr. Bohannon, Ms. Vitori.

**Ord. No. 02019-23
Contract with Cincinnati Bell in DORA**

Ordinance No. 02019-23, an ordinance establishing a procedure for and authorizing a contract with Cincinnati Bell for public Wi-Fi service in the Downtown Designated Outdoor Refreshment Area and declaring an emergency was read.

Ms. Vitori moved to approve Ordinance No. 02019-23, an ordinance establishing a procedure for and authorizing a contract with Cincinnati Bell for public Wi-Fi service in the Downtown Designated Outdoor Refreshment Area and declaring an emergency. Mr. J. Mulligan seconded. Motion carried. Ayes: Mr. J. Mulligan, Mr. L. Mulligan, Ms. Vitori, Mr. Moon. Nays: Mr. Bohannon.

**Ord. No. 02019-24
Addendum to CBA Dispatchers**

Ordinance No. 02019-24, an ordinance authorizing an addendum to the collective bargaining agreement between the City and the Fraternal Order Of Police, Ohio Labor Council (Dispatchers) for the years January 1, 2017 through December 31, 2019 and declaring an emergency was read.

Mr. Bohannon moved to approve Ordinance No. 02019-24, an ordinance authorizing an addendum to the collective bargaining agreement between the City and the Fraternal Order Of Police, Ohio Labor Council (Dispatchers) for the years January 1, 2017 through December 31, 2019 and declaring an emergency. Mr. J. Mulligan seconded. Motion carried. Ayes: Mr. L. Mulligan, Ms. Vitori, Mr. Bohannon, Mr. Moon, Mr. J. Mulligan.

**Res. No. R2019-17
Amend Appropriations
(General Fund)**

Resolution No. R2019-17, a resolution to make adjustments to appropriations for current expenses and other expenditures of the City of Middletown, Counties of Butler and Warren, State of Ohio, for the period ending December 31, 2019 and declaring an emergency (General Fund) was read with no action requested until May 21, 2019.

**Ord. No. 02019-29
Court X-ray Scanner**

Ordinance No. 02019-29, an ordinance establishing a procedure for and authorizing a contract with Hamco X-Ray, Inc. for the purchase of an x-ray scanner for Municipal Court was read for the first time.

**Res. No. R2019-18
Amend Appropriations
(General Fund)**

Resolution No. R2019-18, a resolution to make adjustments to appropriations for current expenses and other expenditures of the City of Middletown, Counties of Butler and Warren, State of Ohio, for the period ending December 31, 2019 was read for the first time. (General Fund)

**Res. No. R2019-19
Tax Abatement
Agreement to MLH
Developers**

Resolution No. R2019-19, a resolution authorizing an agreement granting tax abatement to MLH Developers LLC for redevelopment of 1044 Central Avenue in the Downtown Middletown Community Reinvestment Area was read for the first time.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

At 6:07 p.m. Mr. Bohannon moved to adjourn to executive session under the authority of O.R.C. 121.22 (G) (2) To consider the purchase of property for public purposes, or for the sale of

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property at competitive bidding, if premature disclosure of information would give an unfair competitive or bargaining advantage. Mr. J. Mulligan seconded. Motion carried. Ayes: Mr. Bohannon, Mr. Moon, Mr. J. Mulligan, Mr. L. Mulligan, Ms. Vitori.

At 7:00 p.m., the meeting was declared adjourned until the City Council Business Meeting on May 21, 2019 at 5:30 p.m. in Council Chambers.

Lawrence P. Mulligan, Jr., Mayor

Attest: _____