Record of Proceedings

Coshocton City Council

Meeting Held: May 19, 2025

The Committee Meeting started at 5:45pm

President Hilgenberg called the meeting to order. Items for tonight's council meeting were discussed. President Hilgenberg also inquired if there were going to be any Ordinances for the next meeting.

- 1) Auditor Kirkpatrick will have an Appropriation Ordinance and an Ordinance for the Budget.
- 2) Utility Director Kadri will have an Ordinance from AEP for electrical upgrade.

Mayor Mills update

- 1) The OPT out letter for the Electrical Aggregation that all citizens received in the mail had an incorrect phone number listed. If anyone has questions, please contact the Mayor's office.
- 2) Please mow property. It's that time of year again.
- 3) Remember there are cameras in all the city parks. Please act appropriately and clean up after yourself.
- 4) Thank you to the Cemetery crew that has been mowing nonstop due to all the rain. We appreciate all your efforts.

Councilmember Chad Johnson wanted to discuss golf carts being made legal around the 2^{nd} Street near the trailer parks. He has had a discussion with some tenants there and they would like to be able to drive to a few places off of 2^{nd} Street. Discussion followed with all council members, and the general consensus was that there would be too many safety issues. No action will be taken at this council meeting.

Councilmember Michelle Turner read a letter she received from Ziva Vestal, a blind student in third grade at Coshocton City Schools. She was inquiring about audible crossings on Main Street. She would like council to consider this.

Auditor Sherry Kirkpatrick went over the budget for the fiscal year 2026 with the Council.

The committee meeting concluded at 6:19pm.

The regular session of the Coshocton City Council was called to order at 6:30pm by President Hilgenberg. Council Members present, Mr. Tom Barcroft, Mr. Chad Johnson, Mr. Jim Kreis, and Mr. Roger Moore and Ms. Michelle Turner. Also, present were Mark Mills, Mayor, and Amy C Shutt, Clerk. Chad Johnson made a motion to excuse Kayley Andrews and Jillian Taylor seconded by Roger Moore, and all members voted yes.

Additions to the Agenda: None

Previous Meeting Minutes: President Hilgenberg confirmed that all council members had received the committee minutes and council minutes from the May 19, 2025, meeting. Chad Johnson made a motion to accept the minutes, seconded by Tom Barcroft. Roger Moore and Michelle Turner abstained due to being absent from the previous meeting. After a roll call all members voted yes.

Petitions & Remonstrance's:

Councilmember Chad Johnson wanted to let two members of the audience know that we did discuss golf carts being made legal along 2nd Street in Coshocton in our Committee meeting. These two gentlemen were from the trailer court. Much discussion followed. The Mayor explained it was a safety issue and that we cannot just make part of the city legal and not all of the city legal. Discussion was tabled and they will discuss the issue with the Sheriff at the June 2, 2025, meeting.

Reports on Standing or Special Committees:

Mayor's Report: Mayor Mills was present.

- 1) Memorial Day parade is Monday May 26, starting at 10:00am. Parade lines up at Burt Avenue and will follow Main Street to the Courthouse. Guest speaker is Sheriff Chris Walters.
- 2) Thank you to the Cemetery crew for working so hard on mowing the cemetery with almost 19,000 graves. We appreciate your efforts.

Service Director: Max Crown was not present.

Law Director's Report: Bob Skelton was present.

Auditor's Report: Sherry Kirkpatrick was present.

Treasurer Report: Denell Skelton was not present.

Sheriff's Report: Chris Walters was not present.

Tax Report: Jackie Cushman was not present.

Property Code Report: Dep. Mark Sharrock was not present.

Fire Department Chief Rusty Dreher was not present.

Utilities, Dave Kadri was present.

Port Authority, Tiffany Swigert was not present.

LEGISLATION AT FIRST READING: None

LEGISLATION AT SECOND READING:

17-25 AN ORDINANCE BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF COSHOCTON, OHIO AUTHORIZING AND DIRECTING THE SAFETY SERVICE DIRECTOR TO SIGN ALL DOCUMENTS NECESSARY FOR THE DESIGN, ADVERTISEMENT OF BID, CONTRACT AWARD, AND CONSTRUCTION DOCUMENTS FOR THE EDGEWOOD WATER LINE PROJECT. Ordinance will run its course.

18-25 AN ORDINANCE BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF COSHOCTON, OHIO ADDING SECTION 937.05 CLEAN WATER CONNECTIONS TO SECTION 937 OF THE CITY'S CODIFIED ORDINANCES. Ordinance will run its course.

19-25 AN ORDINANCE ENACTING, ADOPTING AND PROVIDING FOR THE IMPLEMENTATION OF A CITY-WIDE EXCISE TAX OF THREE PERCENT (3%) ON ALL TRANSACTIONS BY WHICH LODGING IS FURNISHED TO TRANSIENT GUESTS FOR THE PURPOSE OF FUNDIING THE COSHOCTON. Ordinance will run its course.

LEGISLATION AT THIRD READING:

16-25 APPROPRIATION. All members voted yes.

RESOLUTIONS: None
Old Business: None

New Business: None

<u>Communications</u>: Council President Hilgenberg wanted to let the community know that Opportunity School graduation will be Thursday, May 22, 2025, at Coshocton High School Auditorium. They have thirty-five graduated with twenty-one of them being employed.

President Hilgenberg also had the opportunity to speak at the Public Transportation Team Building event. He commended them on all their work in the community. They drive residents to New Philadelphia, Dover, Columbus, and Zanesville. They are doing a great job in the community.

Adjournment: Roger Moore made a motion to adjourn, seconded by Michelle Turner, all members voted yes. The council adjourned at 6:52pm. The next council meeting will be on Monday June 2nd, 2025, with the Committee Meeting at 5:45pm, Public Hearing on the Budget at 6:20pm and the Council Meeting to follow at 6:30pm.

Tom Hilgenberg

Council President

Amy C. Shutt

Council Clerk