

Council met in **REGULAR SESSION** on Monday, March 13, 2017, at 7:30 P.M. in the Council Chambers with President Maurer presiding. Members present: Angeloff, Coburn, Debevec, Frey, Megyes, Palmer, Soyars, and Conrad-Wokojance. The Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag was recited and Mrs. Angeloff gave the Invocation.

It was moved by Mr. Soyars, seconded by Mrs. Debevec, to approve the Minutes of the Regular Legislative Session held on Monday, February 27, 2017, as presented. All Members voted “yea.” Motion carried.

It was moved by Mr. Soyars, seconded by Mrs. Debevec, to approve the Minutes of the Executive Session held on Monday, March 6, 2017, as presented. All Members voted “yea.” Motion carried.

It was moved by Mrs. Debevec, seconded by Mrs. Angeloff, to accept the Finance Department Report for February 2017, as presented. All Members voted “yea.” Motion carried.

### **PETITIONS AND CLAIMS**

None.

### **MATTERS REFERRED**

Each Council Member, the Mayor and Service Director were given a report prepared by the Council Clerk listing all matters before all committees.

### **CITIZENS ADDRESSING COUNCIL**

None.

**The following Minutes are not transcribed verbatim. This meeting has been recorded in its entirety and the tape is catalogued in the Clerk of Council’s office.**

*President Maurer stated we will be taking things out of order this evening in order to give a Resolution to West End Hardware.*

### **SECOND READING OF ORDINANCES AND RESOLUTIONS**

#### **RESOLUTION NO. 19-2017**

**RESOLUTION NO. 19-2017. PRESENTED BY: ALL OF COUNCIL. SPONSORED BY: MRS. COBURN. TITLE: COMMENDATION – WEST END HARDWARE. A RESOLUTION OF THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF BARBERTON TO HONOR AND GIVE PUBLIC RECOGNITION TO THE WROBEL FAMILY AS THEY CELEBRATE 100 YEARS OF OPERATION OF WEST END HARDWARE, A VERY POPULAR BARBERTON BUSINESS.** It was moved by Mrs. Coburn, seconded by Mrs. Conrad-Wokojance, that the rule as required by Section 5.10 of the Barberton City Charter be suspended. All Members voted “yea.” Motion carried. It was moved by Mrs. Coburn, seconded by

Mrs. Conrad-Wokojance, that **RESOLUTION NO. 19-2017 BE ADOPTED.** Mrs. Conrad-Wokojance stated West End Hardware has been a big part of her life. She said she remembers her dad taking her there when she was a child and now her husband goes there. She said someone took the time and actually worked with him, ordered what was needed and they always have a great experience and she wants to personally thank them for being such a good part of her life from the time she was a child to now. Mrs. Angeloff wished them congratulations and said 100 years is unbelievable in this tiny little town. She said she thinks it is the friendship, the people they have employed that know everybody in town and said it is like a little coffee shop and you always feel welcome when you come in and she said it is a huge accomplishment and she thanked them. Mr. Stefan congratulated West End Hardware and said they have been a part of his family ever since he came to Barberton. He said he started in Barberton working for the Hahn Funeral Home many years ago with Carl Hahn and many people don't know but if it wasn't for Frank's dad, Carl would not have been in business to start with. He said the economic development that has been spurred by this group of individuals and the businesses throughout the City, and not to mention the trusting nature. He said he can recall when he first came to town he lived in the little house next to the funeral home and had a plumbing problem and he didn't know what he needed. He said he went down and Phil was there and Phil said to take a bunch of stuff and put it in a box and bring back what you don't use. Mr. Stefan said to try that at Lowe's and see how far that goes for you. He said it is one of those things why West End Hardware sets us apart. He said they always say that Barberton is unique and different than other places but it is because of places like West End and because of Frank and what his dad meant to so many people in this town. He congratulated and thanked them for everything they do for the community as a whole. He then said nobody even counts all of the dollars and cents they have invested into this community whether it be through the youth organizations or any of the social organizations, church organizations or whoever comes to them. He thanked them for everything they have done. President Maurer stated his family has dealt with West End Hardware for five generations starting with his great-grandfather and his grandfather painted houses during the depression with paint that was purchased from West End Hardware. He said his son Michael is a regular fixture around there and President Maurer doesn't know how he would have gotten through his first house without Frank and his dad. He said Frank's business has also been recognized by the Foundation as one of our contributing members. He said every plant that existed in Barberton, PPG, B&W, Midwest, Seiberling and Brass had open purchase orders with West End Hardware because if you couldn't get it from Frank Wrobel, you couldn't get it. He said he could talk for an hour and a half about stories of Frank and his dad. He said he remembers when he was a kid his father lost a water tank and it was on a major holiday so he called Frank Sr. at home and Frank told him to meet at the shop. He said when they got to the shop Frank Sr. had a water tank and the accouterments in the back of his pickup truck, Frank threw his dad his truck keys and told him he would take his car home and to bring the truck to his house when he was done. He said that is the type of business that the Wrobels ran. He said he thinks if you went to Rome and Frank was talking with Pop Francis people would say "Who is that guy with his arm around Frank?" He told Frank he can't tell him how much he appreciates his business acumens and his friendship. He said they (employees) are all the best and it is like a business club. Mayor Judge stated he doesn't know what else he could say that hasn't been said already but he wants to congratulate them for what they mean to the community and all of their success over the years. He said they have heard tonight how Mr. Stefan and Mr. Maurer received supplies from their shop but we have never heard how it turned out on their end. He said West End Hardware means

a lot to the community and he knows Frank does not like this type of recognition and it is probably killing him but there is a time in the community like this when we need to recognize what businesses and the people they employ mean to the community. He said it just says a lot and 100 years is a long time. He stated we have a handful of businesses in town that have reached that milestone that are still thriving and it means so much to the community at large. He congratulated and thanked them. Mr. Wrobel stated from him and all of his associates that are here, that they really don't do anything for the recognition and he is blessed because they all have the same feeling and that they do it from the heart and they care about people. He said it is a blessing to work with everyone. All Members voted "yea." Motion carried.

It was moved by Mr. Soyars, seconded by Mrs. Debevec to recess.

Recess at: 7:45

Reconvened: 7:49

### **FIRST READING OF ORDINANCES AND RESOLUTIONS**

#### **ORDINANCE NO. 22-2017**

**ORDINANCE NO. 22-2017. PRESENTED BY: MR. MEGYES. TITLE: FOUNDATION GRANT REQUEST – PARKS - 2017 LAKE ANNA HOLIDAY LIGHTING. AN ORDINANCE APPROVING THE SUBMISSION OF A GRANT APPLICATION BY THE DIRECTOR OF PARKS AND RECREATION TO THE BARBERTON COMMUNITY FOUNDATION, IN THE AMOUNT OF \$9,000, TO BE USED FOR THE 2017 LAKE ANNA HOLIDAY LIGHTING, AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.** It was moved by Mr. Megyes, seconded by Mrs. Coburn, that the rule as required by Section 5.10 of the Barberton City Charter be suspended. All Members voted "yea." Motion carried. It was moved by Mr. Megyes, seconded by Mrs. Coburn, that **ORDINANCE NO. 22-2017 BE ADOPTED.** All Members voted "yea." Motion carried.

#### **ORDINANCE NO. 23-2017**

**ORDINANCE NO. 23-2017. PRESENTED BY: MR. MEGYES. TITLE: FOUNDATION GRANT REQUEST – PARKS - 2017 LABOR DAY FESTIVAL. AN ORDINANCE APPROVING THE SUBMISSION OF A GRANT APPLICATION BY THE DIRECTOR OF PARKS AND RECREATION TO THE BARBERTON COMMUNITY FOUNDATION, IN THE AMOUNT OF \$10,000 IN SUPPORT OF THE 2017 LABOR DAY FESTIVAL, AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.** It was moved by Mr. Megyes, seconded by Mrs. Coburn, that the rule as required by Section 5.10 of the Barberton City Charter be suspended. All Members voted "yea." Motion carried. It was moved by Mr. Megyes, seconded by Mrs. Coburn, that **ORDINANCE NO. 23-2017 BE ADOPTED.** All Members voted "yea." Motion carried.

#### **ORDINANCE NO. 24-2017**

**ORDINANCE NO. 24-2017. PRESENTED BY: MR. MEGYES. TITLE: FOUNDATION GRANT REQUEST – PARKS - 2017 BARBERTON MUM FESTIVAL. AN ORDINANCE APPROVING THE SUBMISSION OF A GRANT APPLICATION BY THE DIRECTOR OF PARKS AND RECREATION TO THE BARBERTON**

**COMMUNITY FOUNDATION, IN THE AMOUNT OF \$20,000 IN SUPPORT OF THE 2017 BARBERTON MUM FESTIVAL, AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.** It was moved by Mr. Megyes, seconded by Mrs. Coburn, that the rule as required by Section 5.10 of the Barberton City Charter be suspended. All Members voted “yea.” Motion carried. It was moved by Mr. Megyes, seconded by Mrs. Coburn, that **ORDINANCE NO. 24-2017 BE ADOPTED.** All Members voted “yea.” Motion carried.

**ORDINANCE NO. 25-2017**

**ORDINANCE NO. 25-2017. PRESENTED BY: MR. MEGYES. TITLE: FOUNDATION GRANT REQUEST – PARKS - 2017 YOUTH ADVENTURE DAY CAMP. AN ORDINANCE APPROVING THE SUBMISSION OF A GRANT APPLICATION BY THE DIRECTOR OF PARKS AND RECREATION TO THE BARBERTON COMMUNITY FOUNDATION, IN THE AMOUNT OF \$1,000 FOR ACTIVITIES AND PROGRAM SUPPLIES FOR THE YOUTH ADVENTURE DAY CAMP, AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.** It was moved by Mr. Megyes, seconded by Mrs. Coburn, that the rule as required by Section 5.10 of the Barberton City Charter be suspended. All Members voted “yea.” Motion carried. It was moved by Mr. Megyes, seconded by Mrs. Coburn, that **ORDINANCE NO. 25-2017 BE ADOPTED.** All Members voted “yea.” Motion carried.

**ORDINANCE NO. 26-2017**

**ORDINANCE NO. 26-2017. PRESENTED BY: MR. SOYARS. TITLE: DISPOSAL OF VEHICLES - POLICE DEPARTMENT. AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE POLICE CHIEF TO SCRAP/SALVAGE THIRTY-SIX (36) VEHICLES DEEMED TO BE NO LONGER NEEDED FOR ANY MUNICIPAL PURPOSE AND UNFIT AND UNSAFE FOR DISPOSAL IN ANY OTHER MANNER, AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.** It was moved by Mr. Soyars, seconded by Mrs. Debevec, that the rule as required by Section 5.10 of the Barberton City Charter be suspended. All Members voted “yea.” Motion carried. It was moved by Mr. Soyars, seconded by Mrs. Debevec, that **ORDINANCE NO. 26-2017 BE ADOPTED.** All Members voted “yea.” Motion carried.

**ORDINANCE NO. 27-2017**

**ORDINANCE NO. 27-2017. PRESENTED BY: MRS. ANGELOFF. TITLE: FOUNDATION GRANT REQUEST - 2017 PROJECT IMPACT DEMOLITION PROGRAM. AN ORDINANCE APPROVING THE SUBMISSION OF A GRANT APPLICATION BY THE MAYOR TO THE BARBERTON COMMUNITY FOUNDATION TO APPLY FOR A DOLLAR FOR DOLLAR MATCHING GRANT TO ASSIST IN THE 2017 PROJECT IMPACT DEMOLITION PROGRAM, AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.** It was moved by Mrs. Angeloff, seconded by Mrs. Frey, that the rule as required by Section 5.10 of the Barberton City Charter be suspended. All Members voted “yea.” Motion carried. It was moved by Mrs. Angeloff, seconded by Mrs. Frey, that **ORDINANCE NO. 27-2017 BE ADOPTED.** All Members voted “yea.” Motion carried.

## **THIRD READING OF ORDINANCES AND RESOLUTIONS**

### **ORDINANCE NO. 15-2017**

**ORDINANCE NO. 15-2017. PRESENTED BY: MR. MEGYES. TITLE: FOUNDATION GRANT REQUEST – PARKS - ZIP SLIDE. AN ORDINANCE APPROVING THE SUBMISSION OF A GRANT APPLICATION BY THE DIRECTOR OF PARKS AND RECREATION TO THE BARBERTON COMMUNITY FOUNDATION, IN AN AMOUNT OF \$1,000, TO BE USED TOWARDS A ZIP SLIDE AT COLLEGE PARK, AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.** Mr. Megyes stated the City Properties, Parks and Recreation Committee would like to formally withdraw this piece of legislation. President Maurer confirmed the committee is in agreement.

### **APPOINTMENTS**

None.

### **MISCELLANEOUS AND UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

President Maurer stated a lot of people live in areas that have underground utilities but at one point those utilities are all overhead and when the tree is waited down with wet heavy snow and gets any type of wind at all, they break and take wires down. He said he use to get calls all the time from his constituents, not sure if they knew he worked for the power company or because they just called their council person but the utility company does the best they can. He said when something like this (storm) come to the east coast, they start sending trucks there immediately because they are the people that are going to be hit real hard.

### **COMMUNICATION FROM THE MAYOR**

Mayor Judge stated this month's Change for Change will be held on Friday, March 31<sup>st</sup> at the Slovene Center benefiting the Lake Anna YMCA.

Mayor Judge stated the following Saturday he will hold open office hours from 9:00 am until 11:00 am in the mayor's conference room.

Mayor Judge said last week he had the opportunity to speak to 5 five different classes at the high school of seniors about interviewing skills and resume writing. He said the program the high school puts on between having different speakers in – the Law Director, HR Director with mock interviews is unbelievable. He said they speak to them about being a senior in high school and now you are 18 and this is what has changed in your life and this is what it means, even though you are in high school (or about to turn 18). He stated he doesn't remember anyone coming in talking to them when he was in school and it is very beneficial and on the other side for kids to hear it from a teacher is one thing but to hear it from an outside source, the same message about social media, about dressing for success, about what things mean puts it in different contexts and they believe it more. He said it is a great program and he is glad to be a part of it for the second time.

Mayor Judge said he spoke with Congressman Ryan last week about some possible economic development opportunities here in the coming months. He said hopefully something pans out.

Mayor Judge said council has the budget. He said he has met with several council members but if any questions come up to feel free to give him an e-mail or call him. He said his schedule is fairly open in the next week, so even if you pop in he should be there to meet with anyone.

Mayor Judge stated he passed out to council a press release from First Energy on preparing for the predicted weather storm. He said you have the contact information if anything were to happen. He stated the crews are out and have already spread the brine, the trucks are gassed up, full with salt, and the plows are ready to go. He said they will have updates throughout the night so hopefully it will not hit us like they are expecting.

It was moved by Mr. Soyars, seconded by Mrs. Debevec, to adjourn.

Adjourned: 8:05 P.M.

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Frederick S. Maurer  
President of Council

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Renee Fox  
Clerk of Council