

Record of Proceedings

Regular Council Meeting

April 25, 2019

Presiding Officer, Mayor Nicholas Molnar called the April 25 regular meeting to order at 7:32 p.m.

**Present:** Council members Shane Barker, Kevin Bilkie, Jessica Brandt, Jan Tulley and Vini J. Ventura; Law Director Mark Guidetti and Council Clerk Josephine Arceci.

**INVOCATION & PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:** City Chaplain Tom O'Brien of Nordonia Hills American Legion #801.

**MINUTES** Ms. Tulley moved, Mr. Ventura seconded and motion carried unanimously on a voice vote approving the minutes of regular meeting of April 11, 2019.

**FINANCIAL REPORT** Mr. Bilkie moved, Ms. Brandt seconded and motion carried unanimously on a voice vote acknowledging receipt of Financial Reports dated February 28, 2019 and March 31, 2019.

**PUBLIC COMMENTS** None

**INTRODUCTION, READINGS & ADOPTION OF LEGISLATION**

**ORD. NO. 33-2019**

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 797 OF THE CODIFIED ORDINANCES OF THE CITY OF MACEDONIA RELATIVE TO MEDICAL MARIJUANA DISPENSARIES was **offered by Ms. Brandt** for its **second reading by title only**. A second not required.

**ORD. NO. 37 -2019]**

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING SECTION 1365.15 OF THE CODIFIED ORDINANCES OF THE CITY OF MACEDONIA RELATIVE TO NOTICE OF VIOLATIONS OF THE BUILDING CODE was **offered Mr. Bilkie** and moved Council waive the requirement that it be read by title on three different days, instructing the Clerk to read it by **title only for all three readings**. Second by Ms. Brandt authorizing the same carried unanimously on a voice vote.

Mr. Barker moved, Ms. Brandt seconded, and motion **carried unanimously on a voice vote to adopt ORD. NO. 37-2019 and post same according to law. ORD. NO. 37-2019 declared adopted.**

Relative to ORD. NO. 37-2019, Mayor explained the window relative to notification of violations has been narrowed from 60-days to 30-days, a more proactive and constructive time frame.

**RES. NO. 38- 2019**

A RESOLUTION WAIVING THE REQUIREMENT FOR THE CONSTRUCTION OF SIDEWALKS AND OTHERWISE CONFIRMING THE CONDITIONAL USE ZONING CERTIFICATE AS APPROVED BY THE CITY OF MACEDONIA PLANNING COMMISSION IN REGARD TO PHASE III OF THE SPRUCE HILL CROSSING PLANNED UNIT DEVELOPMENT PROJECT was **offered by Mr. Ventura** for its **first reading by title only**. A second not required.

**MOTIONS / OTHER LEGISLATIVE ACTION:**

~Ms. Brandt moved, Mr. Bilkie seconded and motion carried unanimously on a voice vote authorizing the Mayor to accept on behalf of the city of Macedonia the following donations to the Longwood Manor Historical Society for the Manor House: From John Leben one (1) power assisted vacuum valued at One Hundred Fifty Dollars (\$150.00), from Home Depot Macedonia, two (2) boxes of 24" ceiling tiles valued at Sixty Dollars (\$60.00) and from Kimpton, Printing Macedonia, one (1) magnetic sign valued at Seventy Dollars (\$70.00).

**CORRESPONDENCE:** None.

**MAYOR'S REPORT:**

~Mayor announced that although IHop proposed for an outlot within Macedonia Commons was given conditional approval by the Planning Commission is unlikely that it will become a reality given Macedonia's building and architectural design requirements and IHop's branding/architectural philosophy.

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~~ Mayor announced two other new restaurants: Five Guys and Aladdin's have been proposed for a second outlot within Macedonia Commons that is nestled between Home Depot and Macedonia Cinemark. Both restaurants, pending BZA appeal will have patios.

~~ Mayor reminded motorists has he continues to do; do not drive distracted. Do not text and drive.

**COMMITTEE REPORTS**

**Parks and Recreation Commission** Councilor Brandt announced the next meeting of P&RC is Wednesday, May 1, 6 p.m. at the Recreation Center.

**Finance Committee** Councilor Bilkie announced a finance meeting has been scheduled for Thursday, May 2 at 6 p.m. for the purpose of discussing capital expenditures for 2019.

**Longwood Manor Historical Society** Councilor Brandt reported on behalf of John Cassmer, president of the LMHS that the LMHS is grateful for the \$1,000 grant received from NOPEC. The money will be used to continue ongoing, energy efficient restorations to the Manor House. The Nordonia Hills Garden Club toured the first floor and grounds of the Manor House and will provide advice for future landscaping improvements.

**DEPARTMENT REPORTS**

**Service Department** Director Hnottavange reported the annual Nordonia Hills Garden Club flower sale is Saturday, May 11 from 8am to noon. The sale, like in the past is held in front of the bays of the former fire station. Mr. Hnottavange also reported that the mulch program will resume as soon as Macedonia receives its annual grant from ReWorks which provides for paying the cost of stump grinding the branches. Mr. Hnottavange expects mulch to be available by mid May also in front of the bays of the former fire station. The mulch is offered on a first come, first serve basis. Regarding the program in general, Mr. Hnottavange mentioned consideration is being given to how better manage, patrol the branch drop-off because of contamination by debris that is found in the branches and the fact that residents from other communities Macedonia to dispose of their branches. Regarding the lights for the baseball fields Mr. Hnottavange stated they are currently in customs. City should receive them by the first week of May. Expectation is the lights should be installed by third week in May. The one completed and leveled field added Mr. Hnottavange held up very well during last torrential rain.

Councilor Bilkie thanked Mr. Hnottavange and his staff regarding what Mr. Bilkie described as another successful Earth Day.

**Building Commissioner**

**Engineer** Mr. Gigliotti reported Specialized Construction is due to begin improving the nine roads in this year's road program by the first part of May. Residents will be advised by letter the timetable relative the work being done on their respective roads.

Councilor Bilkie asked Mr. Gigliotti when the maintenance program will begin to which Mr. Gigliotti answered maintenance and spot repairs do not begin until after all the long line paving has been completed.

**Recreation Department** Director Manley announced the legalities and agreement relative online registration has been finalized and should be operational and available for consumer use very shortly. Ms. Manley announced once again the Spirit of Macedonia Festival June 6 -9. The firework display will be held Sunday June 9 with a rain date scheduled the following week. The three day event includes but is not limited to a 5 K run for adults and fun run for children, live music, rides, food, craft beer, goat yoga, piglet yoga and a yappy hour (a pet friendly event). Sponsorships, community booth vendors and pet vendors can still register Ms. Manley stated. Regarding the 5K run, Hermes Running is organizing the event that is being sponsored by Mac Rec and Chick fil A. The run this year supports the Alzheimer's Association Ms. Manley added. Councilor Tulley donated the medals for the children's race.

Mayor Molnar interjected every effort is being made to complete restoration work at the Recreation Center by the Spirit of Macedonia Festival.

Councilor Bilkie thanked Ms. Manley and her staff for this year's aquatics Easter egg hunt.

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**Finance Department** Director Veres was not present.

**Fire Department** Lieutenant Davis in the absence of Acting Fire Chief Ripley reported fire personnel will make a final inspection of the aerial ladder at Pierce factory sometime during the first week in May. Thereafter as part of the purchase agreement the truck will be used a show demo at the Ohio dealer for about a month. Delivery to Macedonia is expected sometime between June 6<sup>th</sup> -10<sup>th</sup>. Vendor and Pierce personnel will train, provide in-service on-site to fire personnel during this period.

Councilor Bilkie asked Lt Davis to confirm burning leaves is prohibited in Macedonia to which the Lt Davis answered that it is, in fact he added it is prohibited in the state of Ohio.

**Police Department** Chief Golden reminded residents to sign up for Nixle alerts. Severe weather alerts will also be provided. Explanation, information and instruction about the same is provided on city's website.

**Law Department** Law Director Guidetti had no report.

**Unfinished business**

**New business** Councilor Tulley announced Sunday, April 28<sup>th</sup> is Councilor Jessica Brandt's 40<sup>th</sup> birthday. Somewhat out of tune but with full intent everyone in Chambers joined in singing "Happy Birthday" to Ms. Brandt in recognition of this milestone celebration. Well-wishes and a tray of pastries were presented to Ms. Brandt.

There being no further business, the council meeting was adjourned unanimously on voice vote at 8:00 p.m.