

**WAUSEON CITY COUNCIL
COUNCIL MEETING
Monday, March 4, 2024**

Mayor Huner called this meeting of the Wauseon City Council to order at 5:00 p.m. in the Council Chambers. She led the Pledge of Allegiance which was followed by a moment of silence.

ROLL CALL

Roll was taken by the Clerk of Council. Present were Council President Stickley, Councilors Schneider, Chamberlin, Tijerina and Heising, to constitute a quorum for the transaction of city business. Councilor Simon has an excused absence.

MINUTES

Mayor Huner asked for a motion to approve the prior meeting minutes. Council President Stickley moved and was seconded by Councilor Heising to approve the minutes as printed.

All in favor: Motion Passed Unanimously

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Finance Committee Meeting: February 19, 2024

Councilor Schneider gave a report from the previous Finance Committee Meeting on February 19, 2024. Councilor Schneider shared one topic that was presented at the meeting that was tabled. The topic was Biddle Park ball fields. At the meeting Director of public service, Keith Torbet, presented quotes for the renovation of the two north ball fields at Biddle Park. Councilor Chamberlin and Councilor Schneider are wanting to add additional ball fields for a total of eight fields. They would like to see Biddle Park hosting tournaments. The committee is undecided on action at this time.

Recommendation to appropriate the funds needed for the JAG Grant moved by Councilor Schneider and seconded by Councilor Tijerina.

Vote: 5 Yeas 0 Nays Motion Carries

Recommendation to purchase a camera footage storage cloud-based system for the Police Department moved by Councilor Heising and seconded by Councilor President Stickley.

Vote: 5 Yeas 0 Nays Motion Carries

DEPARTMENT REPORTS

Chief Kessler gave a report for his department. He will be meeting with Clinton Township soon, they will be passing legislation and signing their contract with the Wauseon Fire Department. Last week they worked with the Police Department on a safety drill with Wauseon High School. The drill went well.

Chief Chittenden gave a report for his department. Ed Weideman is coming back as a full-time patrol officer, his start date will be March 11, 2024. The retired 2012 Dodge Charger is being donated to Four County Automotive Technology Class. It was dropped off recently and the school is appreciative.

Director of Public Service, Keith Torbet gave a report for his department. The pickleball fencing has been put up. The Leggett Street Park at Homecoming Park will be worked on soon. The Rotary building has received new carpet. The blinds are coming soon, and the HVAC system has been updated. Brush pick up will start the first week of April.

Director of Finance, Jamie Giguere, gave a report for her department. The month-end reports were sent out to council. The income tax revenue is up 33% compared to last year.

Law Director, Tom McWatters, gave a report for his department. He went over the proposed legislation that is under first reading.

FIRST READING OF LEGISLATION

Resolution 2024-9: A Resolution Accepting Annexation Petition for Nine Parcels

Motion to place Resolution 2024-9 on first reading moved by Council President Stickley and seconded by Councilor Heising.

Vote: 5 Yeas 0 Nays Motion Carries

THERE WERE NO LEGISLATION FOR SECOND OR THIRD READING

NEW BUSINESS

Mayor Huner gave her Annual Report. She gave highlights and the successes of each of the city's departments.

Motion to approve the Mayor's appointments to various boards and commissions moved by Council President Stickley and seconded by Councilor Heising.

District 5 Integrating Committee

Keith Torbet- Term 2024-2027

Vote: 5 Yeas 0 Nays Motion Carries

APPROVAL OF BILLS

Motion to approve and pay the bills as presented moved by Councilor Schneider and seconded by Councilor Simon.

Vote: 5 Yeas 0 Nays Motion Carries

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, Council President Stickley moved and seconded by Councilor Tijerina to adjourn the meeting. 5:25 p.m.

All in favor: *Motion Passed Unanimously*

Korin Miller, Clerk of Council

Harold Stickley, President of Council