

Record of Proceedings
Coshocton City Council
Meeting Held: March 17, 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) City Auditor Kirkpatrick will have an ordinance for a bond.
- 2) Mayor Mills will need an ordinance for the Sheriff's one-year contract.
- 3) Fire Chief Dreher will have the contract for Wylie Organics.
- 4) Council member Turner is looking into revising the Bike Ordinance chapter, 373.01. May want to have a committee meeting, will let us know when that is ready.
- 5) Council member Barcroft passed out a handout in reference to Our Town a 501C3. The Law Director will look over and write an ordinance for the next meeting.

The City Auditor updated the council members on the last payment coming up for the Kraft Job Creation Grant. This has been a ten-year endeavor.

Mayor Mills updated the council on projects.

- 1) The Mayor's office should have a one-year contract for Sheriff's services at the next council meeting.
- 2) USDA Tree Grant, getting further guidance on our options.
- 3) Will be giving Colton Conkle a key to the City at the next council meeting.
- 4) UTV has had numerous conversations with a concerned citizen. Reminder April 1 is the date your new tags are required. Please come into the City Hall to get that done.

The Service Director Crown updated the council on projects.

- 1) Pickleball is up and running.
- 2) April 14 they will start flushing fire hydrants.
- 3) Sewage plant rebuilt a sludge press.
- 4) Working on Chestnut Street water lines.
- 5) Working on filling potholes around town.

Fire Chief Dreher will have a report at the next council meeting in reference to the non-operational fire hydrants in town. Thinks they are in single digits.

Council member Barcroft asked if there was a way to collect all the unpaid fines through Municipal Court. Law Director Skelton explained the process which has little success.

The committee meeting concluded at 6:15pm.

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

Previous Meeting Minutes: President Hilgenberg informed council that there needed to be a correction of the minutes from the previous meeting and that council would approve them at the April 7th meeting.

Petitions & Remonstrance's:

Brandon Stewart, 2025 Hillcrest Dr, Coshocton, Ohio 43812

Mr. Stewart read a prepared statement in reference to concerns about how to educate our community about our local dog laws. He urged the council to take action to begin a conversation to support educational initiatives that will teach all residents how to live safely with dogs. Mayor Mills asked Mr. Stewart how he thought it would be best to get information out to the community. Mr. Stewart was not sure, maybe possibly billboards or through social media. President Hilgenberg said that the ordinance committee would look into our current ordinances and make sure they were all up to date.

Additions to the Agenda: None

Reports on Standing or Special Committees:

Mayor's Report: Mayor Mills was present. The Mayor's February reports were emailed to all councilmembers.

- 1) Our Town Pub Crawl was a huge success. Thank you to the public for coming out and supporting local businesses.
- 2) Congratulations to Captain Rick Mills on his recent retirement of 29 years of service with the Coshocton City Fire Department. Thank you for all your years of dedication.

Service Director: Max Crown was present.

Law Director's Report: Bob Skelton was present. The Law Director's February report was emailed to all council members. The Law Director reported to the council that his office collaborates closely with Dog Warden usually a couple of times a week. In the case of a dog bite, the judge usually orders the dog to be euthanized and will not let the owner own a dog while on probation.

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 present.

Utilities, Dave Kadri was present.

Port Authority, Tiffany Swigert was not present.

LEGISLATION AT FIRST READING:

8-25 AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE SAFETY-SERVICE DIRECTOR TO SIGN ALL DOCUMENTS NECESSARY TO OBTAIN EASEMENTS FOR THE INSTALLATION OF THE COSHOCTON TO CONESVILLE WATER AND SANITARY SEWER LINES. Chad Johnson made a motion to suspend the rules and give the ordinance a third reading, seconded by Tom Barcroft. All members voted yes.

9-25 AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE SERVICE DIRECTOR OR AUDITOR TO SIGN ALL NECESSARY DOCUMENTS FOR THE PURCHASE OF A PIERCE FIRE ENGINE FROM ATLANTIC EMERGENCY SOLUTIONS. Michelle Turner made a motion to suspend the rules and give the ordinance a third reading, seconded by Kayley Andrews. All members voted yes.

10-25 APPROPRIATION. Roger Moore made a motion to suspend the rules and give the ordinance a third reading, seconded by Kayley Andrews. All members voted yes.

LEGISLATION AT SECOND READING: None

LEGISLATION AT THIRD READING: None

RESOLUTIONS: None

Old Business: None


New Business: None

Communications: None

Adjournment: Roger Moore made a motion to adjourn, seconded by Tom Barcroft, all members voted yes. The council adjourned at 6:46pm. The next council meeting will be on Monday April 7, 2025, with the Committee Meeting at 5:45pm and the Council Meeting to follow at 6:30pm.



Tom Hilgenberg
Council President



Amy C. Shutt
Council Clerk