



**NORTON CITY COUNCIL  
REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING  
MONDAY, JANUARY 13, 2014**

Roll Call: Scott Pelot  
Dennis McGlone  
Danny Grether  
Dennis Pierson  
Paul Tousley  
Charlotte Whipkey  
Rick Rodgers

Also Present:  
Mayor Mike Zita  
Laura Starosta  
Justin Markey  
Karla Richards  
Ann Campbell

The Regular Council Meeting convened on Monday, January 13, 2014 at 7:00 PM, in the Council Chambers of the Safety Administration Building. The meeting was called to order by Rick Rodgers, President of Council, followed by the Pledge of Allegiance. Mr. Rodgers announced that Pastor Greg Foote from Grace Church was invited to lead us in prayer this evening.

**NEW BUSINESS:**

At 7:02 PM, Mr. Rodgers moved to temporarily adjourn the Regular Council Meeting to convene into Executive Session to discuss pending or imminent litigation as defined under ORC 121.22(G)(3), Personnel Matters as defined under ORC 121.22(G)(1) and Section 3.12 of the City Charter, seconded by Ms. Whipkey. Mr. Rodgers invited Mayor Zita, Mr. Markey, Mrs. Starosta, Attorneys Paul Jackson and Terry Finn from Roetzel & Andress to also attend. Mr. Rodgers noted that there will be no legislation coming from these discussions and that Council would return to continue with the Regular Council Meeting.

Roll Call: Yeas: Rodgers, Whipkey, Pelot, McGlone, Grether, Pierson, Tousley  
Nays: None

Motion passed 7-0.

At 8:32 PM, Council adjourned from Executive Session and reconvened the Regular Council meeting.

**COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE:**

Ms. Whipkey stated she has received several complaints from residents about the video recordings and she attempted to watch them herself today and was unable to do so. Ms. Whipkey stated she has contacted our IT guy Eric to see what can be done and that she will report back to Council on those discussions. Mr. McGlone noted that Ms. Whipkey had some concerns about the Ord. #114-2013 Reworks and asked if anyone else still has any concerns. Ms. Whipkey indicated she was on their web site and has reviewed the plan.

**COMMUNICATIONS FROM THE PUBLIC:**

Andrew Lehner 3853 Easton Road, Norton, Ohio, discussed the intersection coming off of St Rt. 21 at St Rt. 261 and that he felt we need to have a traffic study done here. This area is going to cause a serious accident someday because people just do not stop and look.

**CONSIDERATION OF THE MINUTES:**

Minutes of the December 9, 2013 Regular Council Meeting were approved as submitted.  
Minutes of the January 2, 2014 Organizational Meeting were approved as submitted.

**REPORTS FROM OFFICERS, BOARDS AND COMMISSIONS:**

Mayor Zita reported that all of our salt trucks as of today are up and running and are out filling pot holes. After all of the weather changes we have many roads that have popped up with large holes and we are out there working to get these filled as quickly as possible.

**PUBLIC HEARINGS-None**

**INTRODUCTION OF NEW LEGISLATION:**

**ORD #1-2014**

Mr. McGlone offered Ord. #1-2014 for its first reading and asked the Clerk to read it:

AN ORDINANCE ACCEPTING THE REPORT OF THE ASSESSMENT EQUALIZATION BOARD FOR THE IMPROVEMENT OF CROYDON ROAD, HIGGINS DRIVE, RANGELY ROAD, EASTON ROAD, BROOKSIDE DRIVE, CLUBVIEW DRIVE, BROOKSIDE COURT AND CERTAIN OTHER PARCELS BY CONSTRUCTING AND INSTALLING SANITARY SEWER LINES, TOGETHER WITH NECESSARY APPURTENANCES THERETO, COMPRISING THE NASH HEIGHTS SANITARY SEWER IMPROVEMENTS – EAST PHASE PROJECT.

First reading only. Mr. Rodgers noted this in no way indicates we are moving forward with the construction. Mr. Markey concurred, adding that the next move would be a separate piece of legislation called the Ordinance to Proceed.

**ORD #2-2014**

Mr. Tousley offered Ord. #2-2014 for its first reading and asked the Clerk to read it:

AN ORDINANCE REPEALING CHAPTER 288 OF THE CODIFIED ORDINANCES OF THE CITY OF NORTON, OHIO.

First reading only. Mr. Tousley noted this is to possibly doing away with the Norton Health Advisory Board. Ms. Whipkey clarified that this actually is doing away with the Board.

**INTRODUCTION OF PRIOR LEGISLATION:**

**RES. # 114-2013**

Mr. Grether offered Res. #114-2013 for its second reading and asked the Clerk to read it.

A RESOLUTION TO ADOPT THE SOLID WASTE MANAGEMENT PLAN FOR REWORKS (FORMERLY THE SUMMIT/AKRON SOLID WASTE MANAGEMENT AUTHORITY), AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

Second reading only.

**ORD #115-2013**

Mr. McGlone offered Ord. #115-2013 for its second reading and asked the Clerk to read it:

THE ORDINANCE TO AUTHORIZE THE MAYOR TO EXECUTE AND DELIVER AN AGREEMENT WITH SUMMIT COUNTY COMBINED GENERAL HEALTH DISTRICT FOR CERTAIN STORM WATER MANAGEMENT SERVICES, AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

Second reading only. Mr. Tousley asked if we will have any further discussion and Mr. McGlone noted that the representatives from the County would be at the next meeting to address concerns before the final vote.

**UNFINISHED BUSINESS:**

Mr. Pierson stated he had several calls last week regarding the closing of the package plants, if we were to purchase the package plants from Summit County, there will be assessments to the residents in those areas.

**PUBLIC SERVICE ANNOUNCEMENTS:**

Mayor Zita read several reports-Youth Baseball, Kiwanis Chili Cook Off, Ms. Whipkey noted residents have a deadline from Summit County of March 31, 2013 for filing a complaint on their tax valuations and Mayor Zita noted this information is also on the city web site.

**ADJOURN:**

There being no other business to come before the Regular Council Meeting, the meeting was adjourned at 8:47 PM.

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Rick Rodgers, President of Council

I, Karla Richards, CMC-Clerk of Council for the City of Norton, do hereby certify that the foregoing minutes were approved at a Regular Council Meeting held on January 27, 2014.

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Karla Richards, CMC-Clerk of Council

**\*NOTE: THESE MINUTES ARE NOT VERBATIM\***

**\*\*ORIGINAL SIGNED AND APPROVED MINUTES ARE ON FILE WITH THE CLERK OF COUNCIL\*\***

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