

City of West Point  
Council Meeting Minutes  
October 10, 2022 7:00 PM

Mayor Billy Ash called the meeting to order at 7:00 PM. Mayor Ash lead in the Pledge of Allegiance. Present were: Mayor Billy Ash, City Clerk/Treasurer Gaye Moore, City Attorney Jennifer Hall and Council members: Joseph Frost, Annette Baker, Fran Moore, Ron Luce and Richard Ciresi.

1. **MINUTES**

Ricahrd Ciresi made a motion to accept the minutes from September 12, 2022. Fran Moore seconded the motion. Annette Baker made a correction of Verizon spelling. Joseph Frost, Annette Baker, Fran Moore, Ron Luce and Richard Ciresi all voted yes. Motion passed.

Richard Ciresi made a motion to pass the minutes from September 21, 2022. Annette Baker seconded the motion. Joseph Frost, Annette Baker, Fran Moore, Ron Luce and Richard Ciresi all voted yes. Motion passed.

Richard Ciresi made a motion to accept the September financial report. Ron Luce seconded. Joseph Frost, Annette Baker, Fran Moore, Ron Luce, Richard Ciresi and Kevin Duke all voted yes. Motion passed.

Richard Ciresi made a motion to accept the August financial report. Ron Luce seconded. Joseph Frost asked how much do we owe on the fire department loan? Mayor Ash stated about \$90,000.00. Joseph Frost, Annette Baker, Fran Moore, Ron Luce, Richard Ciresi and Kevin Duke all voted yes. Motion passed.

Richard Ciresi made a motion to table the September financial. Joseph Frost seconded the motion. Joseph Frost, Annette Baker, Fran Moore, Ron Luce, Richard Ciresi and Kevin Duke all voted yes.

Scott Young presented an updated Comprehensive Plan. Planning and Zoning had two public hearings. Mayor Ash asked why he

Did not include 2022 in the population? Richard Ciresi made a motion to accept the Comprehensive Plan. Ron Luce seconded the motion. Joseph Frost, Annette Baker, Fran Moore, Ron Luce, Richard Ciresi and Kevin Duke all voted yes.

2. **Mayor Report:**

Mayor Ash stated the water tower was finished. Wet/Dry has been paid.

The fire house doors have been ordered and paid for out of the American Relief Fund.

Mayor Ash thanked Councilman Ron Luce for painting the caboose.

Mayor Ash thanked the River Day's Committee for the work on the festival.

Mayor Ash thanked Fran Moore for working on the parade.

3. **New Business:**

HCWD 1 Technical contract has not been reviewed since 2018. The new fee will be \$417.51.

Hardin Co Water study for take-over will be in their office no later than October 12, 2022.

Halloween will be October 31 from 5-8 PM.

Trunk or Treat will be hosted by the City and the River Day's Committee October 22, 2022 6:00 PM.

Impound auction will be held Saturday November 5, 2022.

Chief Curl request to surplus the 2018 F 250. Richard Ciresi made a motion to surplus the Ford F250. Ron Luce seconded the motion, Richard Ciresi suggested to put it online for sell.

Joseph Frost voted no, Annette Baker yes, Fran Moore no, Ron Luce yes, Richard Ciresi yes, Kevin Duke yes. Motion passed.

Mayor Ash asked Richard Ciresi for an update on the school building, Richard stated he felt we should wait until after the elections to proceed with the school building, Richard Ciresi stated he has \$10,000.00 from Tom Masterson, and the rest in pledges. Mayor Ash asked where the money was, Bonnie Ciresi stated Tom Masterson made the check to the West Point Preservation Committee. Mayor Ash stated the deposit for the lease has not been made yet.

4. **COUNCIL CONCERNS:**

Joseph Frost: What is the cost to rent the gym, who do you contact to rent? Richard Ciresi stated \$65.00, \$35.00 for residents he would get the rent money to the right place.

The flagpole is in cardboard and getting wet in the basement.

How many Pubic Works employees do we have? Mayor Ash stated at this time three part-time.

What is the plan if Butch retires? Mayor Ash stated he still has feeler out for a Police Office. Sheriff's Dept is patrolling also.

Who is on the finance committee, and are there checks and balances? Bonnie Ciresi stated her, Annette Baker, Chuck McCreary and Lavinda Curl.

Annette Baker: Read a resolution for Ohio Riverway. Joseph Frost made a motion to accept the resolution. Kevin Duke seconded the motion. Joseph Frost, Annette Baker, Fran Moore, Ron Luce, Richard Ciresi and Kevin Duke all voted yes.

Annette asked the city to split the dues with the Revitalization Committee.

How many apartments will do in the 4<sup>th</sup> St and Main St building? Mayor Ash stated approximately six.

An orange truck left trash at the boat dock.

There was \$1029.65 collected from the coke machine, Annette requested it be taken out of the General Ledger.

Bonnie Ciresi stated the coke machine needs to be taken out of the city's name.

Fran Moore: Light up West Point and the Christmas parade first Saturday in December.

Ron Luce: Would like to talk to Joe about the grinder for the sewer pumper. He would like to ear mark the \$15,000.00 from the police cruiser for a backhoe.

Richard Ciresi: Ordinance requested to change Code Enforcement meeting to twice a year. Richard read the first reading of the amended ordinance. Kevin Duke asked if something comes us can they call a meeting.

Richard Ciresi made a motion to accept Ordinance Joseph Frost seconded the motion. Joseph Frost, Annette Baker, Fran Moore, Ron Luce, Richard Ciresi and Kevin Duke all voted yes.

Cell tower ordinance requires one public hearing and application fee.

Pavilion is painted, just need the screening put up to keep the birds out.

Paving should start soon, being pushed back because of weather.

The phone and internet need to be installed for the school need to table until after election.

Is the fire truck in the police auction.

No progress on getting the backhoe repaired.

Kevin Duke: We need to put a minimum bid on the police truck. Ron Luce suggested we table selling the truck until we talk to Water/Sewer department.

Joseph Frost made a motion to talk to Water/Sewer department about taking the F250 Ford pickup and put the 2013 F150 in surplus. Richard Ciresi seconded the motion. Joseph Frost, Annette Baker, Fran Moore, Ron Luce, Richard Ciresi and Kevin Duke voted yes.

Board of Adjustments: The committee tables the cemetery for the River of Life Church until they get more information. The committee tabled the conditional use permit from Tom Masterson until the ordinance is checked.

Planning and Zoning: The committee sent a letter to Mr. Hoover last month. The city map needs to be updated.

Ft. Duffield: Gary Masterson stated they cleared the brush out from the sign.

Code Enforcement: Jo Sabol stated she hasn't heard anything. Joseph Frost asked about the software? Jo Sabol said she was looking into it.

5. **CITIZENS CONCERNS:**

David Campbell wanted to know about moving the red light.

Fred Staley asked when the flagpole was going to be installed. Ron Luce made a motion to install the monument on the star and move the flagpole behind the star. Annette Baker seconded the motion.

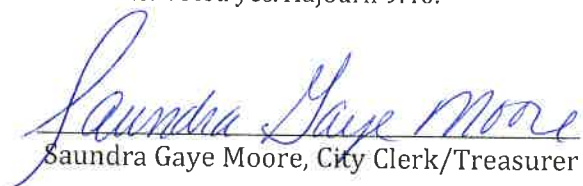
Joseph Frost, Annette Baker, Fran Moore, Ron Luce, Richard Ciresi and Kevin Duke vote yes.

6. **ADJOURNMENT**

Richard Ciresi made a motion to adjourn. Fran Moore seconded the motion. Joseph Frost, Annette Baker, Fran Moore, Ron Luce, Richard Ciresi and Kevin Duke voted yes. Adjourn 9:40.



William C. Ash, Mayor



Sandra Gaye Moore, City Clerk/Treasurer