

COUNTY OF SUMMIT
REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES
January 6, 2020

A Caucus was held prior to the meeting to discuss Agenda items. Council members Dickinson, Donofrio, Feeman, Koehler, McKenney, Prentice, Rodgers, Schmidt, Walters, Wilhite were present.

The 2020 Organizational Meeting was held. Jeff Wilhite was elected President and Elizabeth Walters was elected Vice President.

The following items were addressed before Council at the Caucus:

- 2020-001 Deb Matz from the Executive's Law Department addressed Council on this first reading passage request. Rules Chairman Clair Dickinson requested that this be reviewed another week in Committee.
- 2020-002 Phil Montgomery from the Department of Finance and Budget addressed Council on this first reading passage request.
- 2020-003 Brian Nelsen from the Executive's Office addressed Council on this first reading passage request.
- M-001-2020 The following people applied to fill the vacant District 5 Council Seat: Rick Cugini, Scott Eller, Leonard Rose, Brandon Scarborough, Veronica Sims and Richard Wilson.

The Council Regular Meeting was called to order at 05:06 PM in Council Chambers.

ROLL CALL- Present: Mr. Dickinson, Mr. Donofrio, Mr. Feeman, Mr. Koehler, Mrs. McKenney, Mrs. Prentice, Mrs. Rodgers, Mr. Schmidt, Ms. Walters, Mr. Wilhite; Absent:

MINUTES FOR APPROVAL: Mr. Schmidt moved to approve the minutes of the regular Council meeting(s) held December 9, 2019.

Voice Vote on the motion.

Yes: Dickinson, Donofrio, Feeman, Koehler, McKenney, Prentice, Rodgers, Schmidt, Walters, Wilhite
The Minutes were approved 10-0

ANNOUNCEMENT OF GENERAL INTEREST: None.

ANNOUNCEMENT FROM EXECUTIVE: None.

ANNOUNCEMENT OF OFFICEHOLDERS: None

MOTIONS FOR COUNCIL

M-001-2020 A Motion of Council appointing Veronica Sims to the vacant Summit County Council District 5 seat for the remainder of the unexpired term through December 31, 2020.

Movant - Mr. Wilhite

Mr. Koehler moved to amend.

Roll Call on the motion.

Yes: Koehler, McKenney, Rodgers

No: Dickinson, Donofrio, Feeman, Prentice, Schmidt, Walters, Wilhite

Motion failed - Roll Call: 7-3

The motion to amend to add Richard Wilson to fill the vacant Summit County Council District 5 seat failed.

Mr. Dickinson moved to amend.

Roll Call on the motion.

Yes: Dickinson, Donofrio, Feeman, Koehler, McKenney, Schmidt, Walters, Wilhite

No: Prentice, Rodgers

Motion passed - Roll Call: 8-2

The motion to amend to add Veronica Sims to fill the vacant Summit County Council District 5 seat passed.

Ms. Walters moved to approve.

Voice Vote on the motion.

Yes: Dickinson, Donofrio, Feeman, Koehler, McKenney, Prentice, Rodgers, Schmidt, Walters, Wilhite

Motion passed - Voice Vote: 10-0

Motion M-001-2020 was approved.

M-002-2020 A Motion of Council confirming the appointment of Ms. Sarah Haring (as alternate to Mayor Gerard Neugebauer) and Tina Merlitti (as alternate to Heidi Swindell) to the Summit County Environmental Sustainability Task Force.

Movant - Mr. Wilhite

Mrs. Prentice moved to approve.

Voice Vote on the motion.

Yes: Dickinson, Donofrio, Feeman, Koehler, McKenney, Prentice, Rodgers, Schmidt, Walters, Wilhite

Motion passed - Voice Vote: 10-0

Motion M-002-2020 was approved.

M-003-2020 A Motion of Council confirming the reappointments of Mr. Allen P. Mavrides, Mr. Jason Segedy and Mr. Dennis C. Stoiber to the Planning Commission.

Movant - Mr. Wilhite

Ms. Walters moved to approve.

Voice Vote on the motion.

Yes: Dickinson, Donofrio, Feeman, Koehler, McKenney, Prentice, Rodgers, Schmidt, Walters, Wilhite

Motion passed - Voice Vote: 10-0

Motion M-003-2020 was approved.

M-004-2020 **A Motion of Council confirming the reappointment of Mr. Joel Bailey to the Human Resource Commission.**

Movant - Mr. Wilhite

Mrs. Prentice moved to approve.

Voice Vote on the motion.

Yes: Dickinson, Donofrio, Feeman, Koehler, McKenney, Prentice, Rodgers, Schmidt, Walters, Wilhite

Motion passed - Voice Vote: 10-0

Motion M-004-2020 was approved.

M-005-2020 **A Motion of Council confirming the reappointments of Ms. Maureen Schneider and Ms. Sandra Hamad to the Akron/Summit Convention & Visitors Bureau Board of Trustees.**

Movant - Mr. Wilhite

Mr. Feeman moved to approve.

Voice Vote on the motion.

Yes: Dickinson, Donofrio, Feeman, Koehler, McKenney, Prentice, Rodgers, Schmidt, Walters, Wilhite

Motion passed - Voice Vote: 10-0

Motion M-005-2020 was approved.

M-006-2020 **A Motion of Council confirming the reappointments of Mr. John N. Kabak, Mr. Jim Hinton and Mr. Kevin Westbrooks to the Building Standards Board of Appeals.**

Movant - Mr. Wilhite

Mr. Feeman moved to approve.

Voice Vote on the motion.

Yes: Dickinson, Donofrio, Feeman, Koehler, McKenney, Prentice, Rodgers, Schmidt, Walters, Wilhite

Motion passed - Voice Vote: 10-0

Motion M-006-2020 was approved.

M-007-2020 **A Motion of Council confirming the reappointments of Ms. Lisa Holland-Toth and Mr. Zach Vierheller and the appointment of Ms. Francis Kline to the Humane Commission.**

Movant - Mr. Wilhite

Mrs. Prentice moved to approve.

Voice Vote on the motion.

Yes: Dickinson, Donofrio, Feeman, Koehler, McKenney, Prentice, Rodgers, Schmidt, Walters, Wilhite

Motion passed - Voice Vote: 10-0

Motion M-007-2020 was approved.

MOTIONS FOR COUNCIL LATE FILINGS

M-009-2020 A Motion of Council confirming the appointment of Ms. Elizabeth Walters (replacing David Hamilton) with Jeff Wilhite as alternate to the Summit County Land Reutilization Corporation Board.

Movant - Mr. Wilhite

Mrs. Prentice moved to approve.

Voice Vote on the motion.

Yes: Dickinson, Donofrio, Feeman, Koehler, McKenney, Prentice, Rodgers, Schmidt, Walters, Wilhite

Motion passed - Voice Vote: 10-0

Motion M-009-2020 was approved.

FIRST READINGS

2020-001 **An Ordinance amending Section 169.15 of the Codified Ordinances of the County of Summit, entitled “Benefit Coverage,” to expressly prohibit fraudulent inclusion of ineligible persons on the County’s health insurance plans and to require repayment of ineligible claims by an employee, for the Executive’s Department of Human Resources, and declaring an emergency.**

Sponsor - Ms. Shapiro

Staff Contact: Mark Potter, (330) 643-2726, mpotter@summitoh.net

Committee First Readings

2020-002 **A Resolution authorizing the County Executive or designee, to execute or initiate, for a two-year period, from 1/1/20 through 12/31/21, through the State of Ohio’s County Financial Information System and any other documents necessary, the acceptance by the County Executive’s Department of Job and Family Services of inter-county transfers of surplus funds from other Ohio counties, and to release surplus County of Summit funds to other Ohio counties in exchange for those accepted funds, provided that the collective funds released in a given calendar year do not exceed the collective funds accepted in that calendar year, for the Executive’s Department of Job and Family Services, and declaring an emergency.**

Sponsor - Ms. Shapiro

Staff Contact: Kent Starks, (330) 643-2074, kstarks@summitoh.net

Mrs. Prentice moved to suspend Council Rule 8.01 (A): the requirement of three readings at a Regular Council meeting.

Voice Vote on the motion.

Yes: Dickinson, Donofrio, Feeman, Koehler, McKenney, Prentice, Rodgers, Schmidt, Walters, Wilhite

Motion passed - Voice Vote: 10-0

Mrs. Prentice moved to adopt.

Voice Vote on the motion.

Yes: Dickinson, Donofrio, Feeman, Koehler, McKenney, Prentice, Rodgers, Schmidt, Walters, Wilhite

Motion passed - Voice Vote: 10-0

Resolution 2020-002 was adopted.

2020-003 **A Resolution adjusting appropriations totaling \$83,800.00 and increasing appropriations totaling \$300,000.00 in order to meet projected expenditures for the balance of 2019 and appropriating funds totaling \$948,312.00 for capital projects in 2020 as set forth in Exhibit A, for the Executive’s Department of Finance and Budget, and declaring an emergency.**

Sponsor - Ms. Shapiro

Staff Contact: Kent Starks, (330) 643-2074, kstarks@summitoh.net

Mr. Donofrio moved to suspend Council Rule 8.01 (A): the requirement of three readings at a Regular Council meeting.

Voice Vote on the motion.

Yes: Dickinson, Donofrio, Feeman, Koehler, McKenney, Prentice, Rodgers, Schmidt, Walters, Wilhite

Motion passed - Voice Vote: 10-0

Mr. Donofrio moved to adopt.

Voice Vote on the motion.

Yes: Dickinson, Donofrio, Feeman, Koehler, McKenney, Prentice, Rodgers, Schmidt, Walters, Wilhite

Motion passed - Voice Vote: 10-0

Resolution 2020-003 was adopted.

2020-004 **A Resolution authorizing the County Executive to execute, subject to the approval of the Board of Control, Change Order No. 2 to a professional service contract with Quality Control Inspection, Inc., for construction inspection services, in an amount not to exceed \$20,000.00 (a cumulative increase of 111%), for a total amount not to exceed \$95,000.00, for the Engineer, and declaring an emergency.**

Sponsor - Ms. Shapiro

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Committee First Readings

2020-005 **A Resolution confirming an award by the Board of Control of a renewal (second and final) of a professional service contract with Arcadis US, Inc. for engineering and right-of-way acquisition services, for the period 1/1/20 through 12/31/20, in an amount not to exceed \$150,000.00, for the Engineer, and declaring an emergency.**

Sponsor - Ms. Shapiro

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Committee First Readings

2020-006 **A Resolution confirming an award by the Board of Control of a construction contract with Tri Mor Corporation, as the lowest responsive and responsible bidder, for the Cleveland Massillon Road and Ghent Road Intersection Improvement Project, located in Bath Township, in Council District 5, in an amount not to exceed \$722,555.95, for the Engineer, and declaring an emergency.**

Sponsor - Ms. Shapiro

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Committee First Readings

2020-007 **An Ordinance amending Section 339.12 of the Codified Ordinances of the County of Summit, entitled "Bridge Weight Limits", to place a load limit on the Brady Avenue Bridge over Wolf Creek, located in the City of Barberton, in Council District 7, and to remove a load limit on the Cleveland-Massillon Road Bridge over Wolf Creek in Council District 5, for the Engineer, and declaring an emergency.**

Sponsor - Ms. Shapiro

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Committee First Readings

2020-008 **A Resolution confirming an award by the Board of Control of a purchase contract with ICOR Technology, Inc., as lowest responsive and responsible bidder, for a robot for the Mansfield Police Department Special Weapons and Tactics Team and the Richland County Allied Special Operations Response Team, in an amount not to exceed \$68,080.00, for the Executive's Department of Law and Risk Management-Division of Public Safety, and declaring an emergency.**

Sponsor - Ms. Shapiro

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Committee First Readings

2020-009 **A Resolution authorizing the County Executive to execute, subject to the approval of the Board of Control, a professional service contract between the Legal Defenders Office of Summit County, Ohio, Inc. and the Summit County Public Defender Commission for legal defender services for indigents for the Summit County Public Defender Commission, for the period 1/1/20 to 12/31/20, in an amount not to exceed \$869,500.00, for the Executive and the Summit County Public Defender Commission, and declaring an emergency.**

Sponsor - Ms. Shapiro

Staff Contact: Kent Starks, (330) 643-2074, kstarks@summitoh.net

Committee First Readings

2020-010 **A Resolution authorizing the County Executive to execute a grant agreement with the Victim Assistance Program, for a grant for victim assistance services, in an amount not to exceed \$30,000.00, for the year 2020, for the Executive's Department of Finance and Budget, and declaring an emergency.**

Sponsor - Ms. Shapiro

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Committee First Readings

2020-011 **A Resolution authorizing the County Executive to execute a grant agreement with the Summit Soil and Water Conservation District for a grant for soil and water resources conservation and water quality enhancement in Summit County, in an amount not to exceed \$171,900.00, for the year 2020, for the Executive's Department of Finance and Budget, and declaring an emergency.**

Sponsor - Ms. Shapiro

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Committee First Readings

2020-012 **A Resolution authorizing the County Executive to execute a grant agreement with The Ohio State University for a grant for programs through its Summit County Extension Office, in an amount not to exceed \$152,800.00, for the year 2020, for the Executive's Department of Finance and Budget, and declaring an emergency.**

Sponsor - Ms. Shapiro

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Committee First Readings

2020-013 **A Resolution authorizing the County Executive to execute a grant agreement with the Humane Society of Summit County, for a grant for the salary of a Humane Agent, in an amount not to exceed \$30,000.00, for the year 2020, for the Executive's Department of Finance and Budget, and declaring an emergency.**

Sponsor - Ms. Shapiro

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Committee First Readings

2020-014 **A Resolution authorizing the County Executive to execute a grant agreement with The Summit County Historical Society of Akron, Ohio for a grant, in an amount not to exceed \$55,000.00, for operating costs for the year 2020, for the Executive's Department of Finance and Budget, and declaring an emergency.**

Sponsor - Ms. Shapiro

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Committee First Readings

2020-015 **A Resolution confirming an award by the Board of Control of a professional service contract with PNC Bank, N.A. and PNC Merchant Services Company, as a Best Practical Source, for merchant services and credit card/bank card processing services, for a three-year term, at no cost to the County, for the Clerk of Courts, and declaring an emergency.**

Sponsor - Ms. Shapiro

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Committee First Readings

Presentation of New Business: None.

Presentation of Petitions to address Council: Renea Woods-Baylor addressed Council on inclusion.

Executive Session

Motion By:

Seconded By:

Motion Type: Roll Call

For:

Against:

Abstain:

Absent:

Outcome:

Call To Order:

Reason:

Adjournment: Council adjourned at 5:28 pm. The next regular meeting will be held January 27, 2020 at 4:30 pm

All deliberations concerning official business and formal actions by this County Council were conducted in an open public meeting this 6th day of January, 2020.

CLERK OF COUNCIL

PRESIDENT OF COUNCIL