

**City of Wakefield Council Meeting  
Wednesday, January 8, 2025 7 p.m.**

**Call to Order**

Mayor Chryssovergis called the regular council meeting to order and led the Pledge of Allegiance followed by a Moment of Silence.

Present were Patrick Simon, Betsy Liebau, and Jared Renyer, Neal Summerson. Codey Barber was absent.

**Consent Agenda**

Betsy motioned to accept consent with addition of Library MOU to agenda, Patrick 2<sup>nd</sup> motion carried 4/0.

**Public Comments**

none

**Organizational Reports**

**\*Pride**

- Next meeting Jan 20 at 6pm at Short Stop.
- Easter Egg Hunt is next event planned
- looking at possible grant to finish last 9-hole frisbee golf course.

**\*WRA**

- Youth basketball program registration was very low so they are considering not offering it this year, they are asking council for guidance. Mayor Chryssovergis shared that with only 2 registrations that it not take place this season. WRA and council decided no youth basketball program offered this year.

Neal inquired about seeing if school would allow open gym an evening a week. AnnMarie will ask Principal Money Penny.

**Employee Reports**

**Clerk**

- Betsy motioned to accept 4 CMB licenses, Patrick 2<sup>nd</sup>, motion carried.
- Betsy motioned to allow clerk to attend CCMFOA Spring Conference for \$500, Patrick 2<sup>nd</sup>, motion carried.

**Superintendent**

- Mayor Chryssovergis shared that Kyle is asking Konner Murphy to work on some of the equipment not to exceed \$250. Council agreed.
- Equipment updates needed. Kyle to get list for Mayor.
- Neal had concerns about liability with non-employees (firemen). Patrick feels Kyle needs a full-time employee which would help with those
- Neal motioned to pay \$100 to the firemen volunteers that helped plow snow, Jared 2<sup>nd</sup>, motion carried with Patrick abstaining.

## Police

- Chief Holte shared his report.

## **AGENDA ITEMS**

- 1. 2025 Appointments** Mayor Chryssovergis appoints Julie Murphy as City/Court Clerk and Probation Officer, Kyle Murphy as Superintendent and PZ Administrator, Michael Holte as Chief of Police, John McNish as Municipal Judge, and Richard James as City Attorney. Mayor Chryssovergis appoints Betsy as President of Council. Council approved all.

Due to special meeting prior, there was a late start to regular council meeting. Troy Hester came and asked to address the council. Mayor allowed him to speak. He shared the huge appreciation he has for Chief Holte. He asked council to be mindful of the asset we have in him and all employees.

- 2. Res. 264 GAAP Waiver & Res. 265 PRIDE** Betsy motioned to adopt Res. 264, Patrick 2<sup>nd</sup>, motion carried. Neal motioned to adopt Res. 265, Patrick 2<sup>nd</sup>, motion carried.
- 3. Library MOU** Betsy motioned to enter MOU with Library, Jared 2<sup>nd</sup>, motion carried.  
*Jared would like on future MOU's specifying prioritization of snow removal and grounds maintenance.*
- 4. 2025 Memberships & Dues** GROW CC Betsy motioned to invest \$250 Business Partner, Neal 2<sup>nd</sup>, motion carried. Jared motioned to join FLRC for \$772.20. Motion died for lack of 2<sup>nd</sup>.
- 5. 2nd PT/PRN Assistant Clerk** Patrick motioned for City clerk to hire Assistant, Betsy 2<sup>nd</sup>, motion carried.
- 6. Tree Dump** Patrick to follow up with Kyle on cameras for tree dump.
- 7. Time clock to be moved to February agenda**
- 8. Executive Session – to discuss non-elected personnel matters**  
Betsy motioned for executive session to non-elected personnel matters until 9pm, Jared 2<sup>nd</sup>, motion carried.  
Mayor Chryssovergis brought the meeting back to order at 9:00pm.

## **\*ADJOURNMENT:**

- Betsy motioned to adjourn the meeting, Jared 2<sup>nd</sup>, motion carried.

City Clerk