

# Canal Winchester

*Town Hall  
10 North High Street  
Canal Winchester, OH 43110*



## Meeting Minutes - FINAL

**December 4, 2017**

**7:00 PM**

### **City Council**

*Steve Donahue- President  
Will Bennett-Vice President  
Bob Clark  
Bruce Jarvis  
Bobbie Mershon  
Mike Walker*

A. Call To Order

*Mr. Donahue called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.*

B. Pledge of Allegiance - **Clark**C. Roll Call

**Present:** 6 – Walker, Jarvis, Bennett, Clark, Jarvis, Mershon

*Donahue: Chair would like to move to amend Ordinance 17-061 to add at the end of the ordinance to declare an emergency;*

***A motion was made by Council Member Donahue, seconded by Council Member Clark, to declare ordinance 17-061 an emergency. The motion carried by the following vote:***

***Yes: 6 - Donahue, Clark, Bennett, Jarvis, Mershon, Walker***

D. Approval of Minutes

[MIN-17-057](#) 11-20-17 Council Work Session Meeting Minutes

**Attachments:** [11-20-17 Council Work Session Meeting Minutes](#)

[MIN-17-058](#) 11-20-17 Council Public Hearing Minutes

**Attachments:** [11-20-17 Council Public Hearing Minutes](#)

[MIN-17-059](#) 11-20-17 Council Meeting Minutes

**Attachments:** [11-20-17 Council Meeting Minutes](#)

*Bennet: I have one minor correction to the minutes 17-058; there is an address correction that I provided to the clerk;*

***A motion was made by Council Member Bennett, seconded by Council Member Jarvis, that these Minutes be approved. The motion carried by the following vote:***

***Yes: 6 - Bennett, Jarvis, Clark, Donahue, Merhson, Walker***

E. Communications & Petitions

[17-266](#) Treasurer of State – Ohiocheckbook.com Presentation

*Mary Crall, Public Affairs State Treasurer's Office: I am very excited to be here tonight to announce the launch of the Ohio Checkbook site for the city of Canal Winchester; for those of you who might be unfamiliar with the Ohio Checkbook it's an initiative where our office provides local governments the opportunity to put their expenditure information online; it is in a very easily accessible and searchable and user friendly format so that community members can go online and better understand how tax dollars are being spent; this program is a voluntary program so not all local governments are to this level of transparency; that's why I'm here tonight to thank you all and really recognize you for being leaders in transparency; by building one of these websites they are trying to establish communication and build trust with their community; according to the U.S. public interest group, providing this level of financial transparency actually promotes fiscal responsibility, checks corruption and encourages greater and more meaningful participation in democracy; so thank you all for being leaders in this; really quickly I just wanted to give a little background on the program and show you the site; In 2013 we set out to make it easier for tax payers across the state to understand how tax dollars are being spent; we put all the state expenditures online; and this is the state website we have right here; the feedback to the site was so positive that we wanted to develop a similar platform that local governments could leverage to do the same; so as a result of launching this whole initiative our state's financial transparency ranking has actually gone from 46<sup>th</sup> in the nation to 1<sup>st</sup>; we now have 1,200 local governments across the state partnering with us on this initiative; we're getting really positive feedback from both the governments that are online and the community members that can go online and access this information; this is the state site, as you can ([www.ohiocheckbook.com](http://www.ohiocheckbook.com)); to access the Canal Winchester site you just click on local government and schools up her at the top right hand corner; you can also type in [canalwinchetser.ohiocheckbook.com](http://canalwinchetser.ohiocheckbook.com); this is the list of all the local governments online; Canal Winchester is listed don here; so this is what the Canal Winchester site looks like filter; you can see they have two and a half years of spending data; there is about ten thousand plus transactions during that time; totaling just under thirty million dollars in spending; each one of those transactions are listed in an Excel style spreadsheet so you can sort it, you can filter it; right now that spending is broken down by departments; so you can also look at a certain departments; this is capital improvements and you can view the spending within that department; all those transactions for the specific department are listed below; you can also break it down in month over month view; and as I said before you can sort an filter for the largest transaction all the way down to the smallest; one thing that is most helpful for folks is*

*that we added this google style search bar; so if you're not sure what you're looking for you can go and click in this bar and start typing in what you're looking for and you'll get a list of predictive results; if you type in pool it pops up to the pool department and you can click on that department and actually view the spending for the pool; I just want to conclude; I didn't want to take too much of your time; I just wanted to announce this launch and thank you all; as you know a lot of governments talk about fiscal responsibility and financial transparency and your city council is proving they are committed to that by providing this resource for all of you; I also want to specifically thank Amanda who really took leadership on this and getting it implemented for all of you; thank you for your time and I really appreciate it and happy holidays;*

F. Public Comments - Five Minute Limit Per Person

*Tim Moore, Crossroads Church Lead Pastor: I know that before the council is a reading for a rezoning for nearly 5 acres right off of Gender Road on the parcel we own right behind Wal-Mart and PNC Bank; I just wanted to come today to let you guys know what our thought process was behind getting that rezoned; we own the full 28 acres that is right there in that field; we wanted to split off the front acreage because one, it's a little more property then we necessarily need but secondly, we also realized I think there is a great benefit to the city; I know for us being non-profit, having a portion that can be for profit as well as to generate and bring business in the City of Canal Winchester; we have done the work to do a lot split already; we're just kind of processing and asking for rezoning from the current zoning to commercial; I think there is a benefit as well to the city in the fact that if it gets rezoned to commercial there is not a chance necessarily that apartments are going to come in and build there; I think for us as well, we value the property we have there and what we hope to build and be a part of even the business district that's there; so I think there is value as well for us to know that it's going to be commercial and some type of benefit to the city and some type of commercial business rather than apartments or whatever else; I think it's AR1 right now, it is the current zoning; so that's what we have submitted to the council; which is taking nearly five acres right off of Gender Road, the front acreage off of that road and turning that into commercial; and again, we think that's going to be a benefit to the city;*

*Mark Hill, 6738 Bigerton Bend: one of the issues that we're talking about in the community is we think that rezoning is maybe something we want revisit later; that this is something we want to hold off on; we are currently working on a petition in the*

*community; and we really want to go back a little bit; I guess this was made seventeen years ago, the decision was made to connect the road through there; a lot of residents in Cherry Landing were unaware of that at the time we purchased our homes; I've spoken with a few members of the church; from my understanding a lot of times during the week, during the day churches will run day cares out of their facility and they probably don't want a heavy amount of traffic going through there either; we'd even be willing to reconsider maybe having access from their parking lot connect through to Bigerton Bend; but having a big thoroughfare through there; we have a close community and we enjoy it that way; it keeps down the crime and it keeps down the traffic and it makes it safer for our children and our residents; not to mention what it would do to our home values to connect that road through; I really think that this is something that we need to put on the back burner for the rezoning for the time and kind of go back and revisit what we want to do with the road; my understanding is the church doesn't want to spend the money to build the road, the residents don't want to spend the money to build the road; it's mostly the council bureaucracy that is standing in the way of us doing this road or not doing this road; so we really ask the council to stop with the zoning for the time being and go back and revisit the road issue first;*

*Nat Floyd, 6754 Bigerton Bend: First, I'd like to thank everyone for their time this evening; I'm speaking up against the rezoning on the multi-family to commercial use on Gender Road; during the last council meeting it was noted that plans for the Bigerton Bend extension were made back in 2001; during that time 27.8 acres south of Tussing Ditch were zoned AR1; when I bought my house I was aware of both these plans and made a major investment by buying my home based on those plans; now recently, the zoning and planning commission has granted and I quote "conditional use to allow the church as a AR1 district in which Crossroads will build their church"; while not ideal to some people I still felt that we would have that community feel with those 27.8 acres; however, Crossroads wants to change that; according to the last council meeting notes it stated that Crossroads, and once again I quote, "they helped pay for some of the infrastructure to develop the roadway for a bridge they are proposing that crosses Tussing Ditch, they ask us to rezone the 4.7 acres out of the 27.8 acres from AR1 to GC"; first it takes away from the community feel but more so I find it disturbing to anyone looking from the outside that the church would give the city money in return for something; when the church asked for the initial rezoning application for conditional usage I ask why at that time did they not ask for the rezoning of the 4.7 acres; is it because they didn't think it would be approved and the church would not be*

*able to move there; I'm sure if we would go back, and I apologize because I have not had the time yet, and looked at the approved conditional use it would have been noted that the church had to pay for the road; now that they don't have the funds for the road they're asking again for more due to lack of their planning; does this mean that if I can't pay my bills I can ask the city to rezone my property to commercial so I can pay for what I committed to; we have enough commercial land as now; retail and office vacancy trend between seven and twelve percent; where are we currently now as a city; we have the empty Discount Tire store sitting there; the strip mall off Canal Street that has numerous empty store fronts and honestly I don't remember a time when it was 100 percent filled; west of Gender and Kroger Plaza; there are still more available and empty retail locations plus developmental lots by KinderCare behind Kroger; we've had outparcels available since Wal-Mart went in back in the early 2000's; there was one time council turned down a Wal-Mart gas station due to the overwhelming demand from the village at the time not allow it to put Wood's gas station out of business; if the church really has no need for the land then turn it into a dog park or something that would actually be useful to the community because another empty strip mall won't do that; I'm asking to try and keep our small town feel by not approving this rezoning; thank you for your time;*

*Robert Sycks 6732 Bigerton Bend: I'm here to talk about the extension of Bigerton Bend beyond its current termination; I know how that affects the church and the properties going there; but I want to talk how it affects the homeowners within Cherry Bend; it seems like we're being held hostage to a decision that was made seventeen years ago; seventeen years ago someone drew an arbitrary line across a paper and said this is Bigerton Bend; and of course at that time there wasn't anybody to object or talk about what the ramifications of that were; but an interesting thing has happened since that time frame; somebody drew some boxes along Bigerton Bend, those boxes become houses, those houses become homes and those homes ended up being a community; and there was no one to object to that so the community now is unlike any I think we've been in lately; the homeowners in Canal Winchester have a unique lifestyle and we think that the people in Cherry Landing deserve to have that also; there is a young man that lives down the street from me; he is probably eight years old; he walk to the bus every day in the morning and walks home in the evening; the interesting thing is that parents are comfortable with that; they are comfortable with that fact that he is going to walk down there and he is going to be safe; he is going to be safe on the journey down and he is going to be safe on the journey back; my fear is that if we allow Bigerton Bend to be a cut through, the volume of traffic that*

*is going to go through there, they are going to lose that sense of security; the amount of danger that he is going to be faced with, with unknown people coming through the community; the amount of vandalism and the amount of crime is going to be increased by that extra traffic coming through that community is going to change everything; our community would never be the same again; we have a park in our community where our children play; they can play there safely; they feel like they can play in the streets, they can play outside; people in the community watch out for the; but I don't think that, that same thing will happen if Bigerton Bend becomes a pass through; the big issue is the volume of traffic that is going to be coming through there as the people try to bypass the traffic lights at Wal-Mart and Gender Road is going to have a huge impact on the lives of everybody in our community; in the seventeen years since the decision was made to make that extension a lot of things have happened; I think we need to go back and review those; I mean seventeen years ago Brewdog didn't exist, we didn't have Facebook, we didn't have iPhones, we didn't have the Crossroads church; so what I would like you to do is review those decisions made seventeen years ago and look at the benefits, the safety, the lifestyle, that the people in Cherry Landing enjoy and I ask the council to make sure that they continue to enjoy that kind of lifestyle; thank you*

*Ralph Urban, 210 Jones Place West: Obviously one of the folks that does not live on Bigerton but, this particular issue I found out about reading the messenger in Sunday's edition that came through with my dispatch; it is of great concern to me also because of the way things are changing; when we first moved in to Canal about six years ago now things were a lot different than they are now; Gender Road hadn't been developed as it was when we moved in; Brewdog wasn't there; all that this is doing is creating more and more traffic; traffic is the only thing that I can see; they are going to be developing on High Street and 33 putting in another I think 85 homes or something along those lines; again we're looking at traffic coming through neighborhoods that used to be quiet, that used to be safe for kids when they were going back and forth to school; the same issues that they brought up about the homes off of 33 and High Street, it is the same issues that they are going to have at Bigerton with all this traffic coming on through; It will also impact me as I'm driving down to get to Gender Road; Obviously there is going to be traffic coming out of Bigerton; I'm sure there is going to be a traffic light at some point in time and it's going to slow and impede the things that I want to do; I would like council to review these things; look at the way Canal was*

*and keep it as a family community; the community that we moved in to; a community that we liked as we came in to this place; thank you very much for your time;*

*Mershon: Luke, can you explain again what the rezoning is and the fact that the road is going through regardless of what the rezoning is; Haire: sure, the reasoning is for a 4.7 acre parcel on Gender Road; the church has received a conditional use permit to allow the property AR1 to be used for a church and they have also received a site development plan that allows the construction of a church and also for the construction of the public infrastructure to include the roadway; Mershon: that roadway was approved last September; Haire: correct; Mershon: and that was the final, that goes through and it doesn't matter if it stays apartments or commercial, the roadway goes through when the church is built; Haire: If it went to apartments we would reevaluate it; that's the part of this site development plan that they propose with the church the roadway is included; it has been proposed since the original zoning of this property; it was a condition of the zoning for the property in 2001; it's been on every thoroughfare plan that the city approved; we've approved three different thoroughfare plans and it's always been included as a collector street, similar to Dietz Drive when it was extended and connected through; it was planned at the same time; Groveport Road, Dietz, and Bigerton have all been listed as collector streets on all the thoroughfare plans;*

*Bennett: You mentioned that if it weren't commercial and it were apartments there would be a different plan; Haire: Yes, if you develop anything you would need a site development plan; if they wanted to develop as apartments they would have to come through with a site development plan and we would review that just as we did the church; Bennett: but that doesn't change the fact that Bigerton Bend connects; Haire: No, it's a condition of the zoning; Jarvis: unless the applicant withdrew their request for rezoning we have four specific criteria to consider a yes or no decision; could you give a quick summary so everyone knows what we're looking at; Haire: The compatibility to the proposed amendment to the adjacent land use, adjacent zoning and to appropriate plans for the area including but not limited to comprehensive plan. The relationship of the proposed amendment to access and traffic flow and utility services including sanitary sewer, water, storm drainage, as outlined in the transportation thoroughfare plan, comprehensive plan and/or other adopted plans for the area. The relationship of the proposed amendment to public health, safety, convenience, comfort, prosperity, and general welfare, including the impact on infrastructure and municipal services. The*



*relationship of the proposed use to the adequacy of available services and to general expansion plans and capital improvements; Mershon: and those are the only four criteria that council can look at when we rezone that property; so we can't look at the church maybe not being able to finance the road through there; it's not one of those criteria; that's the point I want to make; I know this probably is a brand new thing to you or it's something you hadn't considered when you moved there but it has been on the plan and it is not something we are able to change with the rezoning at all;*

*Donahue: As soon as the church had to put their church there that automatically extends Bigerton Bend, is that correct; Haire: yes; Donahue: regardless of what zoning is in front, is that correct; Hollins: anything that would be developed there, be it apartments, be it a church, be it rezoned for something that was even more intense, be it a whole bunch more houses; Donahue: my question is, you say there is a site plan for the church, correct; Hollins: yes; Donahue: with the site plan for the church that road has to be connected regardless of what happens to the parcel in front of it; Hollins: yes, it just so happens that this buyer proposed a church but were it something else they would be required to build the road as well; it's either going to be a farm field with no infrastructure, we can allow property to develop for anything without appropriate infrastructure; we can't just tell folks I'm sorry you've got a farm field forever and we're zoning you out of existence; so we will carefully, and by the way, any infrastructure would have taken into account detailed traffic studies, know what the traffic would be on the proposed road; that's why you see some roads are wider than others; I don't think our traffic studies anticipated an on slot of new traffic from the church being there; as a matter of fact, it may be less traffic than anticipated; I don't know that anybody submitted anything that would propose anything different; which legally, those are the criteria we have to deal with and this is the evidence; we have to give everybody a fair shake including land owners; Donahue: so what you're saying is it makes no difference whatsoever, the five acres in front whether it's AR1 or commercial, is that correct; Haire: they could come through with a site plan for the thirty eight apartments and we could review it on that site plan; Donahue: but my question is does that change the connecting road; Haire: no; Donahue: no possible way; Haire: no, they've been approved to build the road so we're just awaiting engineering plans for the bridge; as soon as the engineering is done for the bridge the plans will be signed and they will start construction; Walker: Mr. Donahue, you asked me if I had any comments, I will be recusing myself from any conversation on ordinance 17-060 and abstaining from any vote due to the fact that I have a family member that*

*is a minister with the church; Bennett: once the church breaks ground the road is going through regardless, correct; Haire: correct; Bennett: what is the time frame for breaking ground; Haire: as soon as they can get the bridge approved; they are working through FEMA to do that currently; Bennett: is there a timeline on when that could be approved; Haire: it could be any time within the next six months; Walker: I would like to add and finish that Ohio ethics Commission, I was advised by legal counsel and that is why I am recusing and not able to vote; Donahue: this is only the second reading this evening; it will be acted on at the next meeting unless it would be tabled; Bennett: the only reason that would be tabled is at the request of the applicant; Hollins: absolutely, council on its own motion sometimes has tables things on third reading but typically when there's an applicant involved unless they made that request they go ahead and vote;*

#### G. RESOLUTIONS

##### [RES-17-022](#)

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTION AND DELIVERY OF A MASTER LEASE AGREEMENT AND FINANCING SCHEDULE THEREON IN CONNECTION WITH THE ACQUISITION OF CERTAIN PROPERTY IN AN AGGREGATE PRINCIPAL AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$300,000

***A motion was made by Council Member Clark, seconded by Council Member Bennett, that this Resolution be approved. The motion carried by the following vote:***

***Yes: 6 -Clark, Bennett, Donahue, Jarvis, Mershon, Walker***

#### H. ORDINANCES

##### Third Reading

##### [ORD-17-049](#)

AN ORDINANCE TO MAKE FINAL APPROPRIATIONS FOR CURRENT EXPENSES AND OTHER EXPENDITURES OF THE CITY OF CANAL WINCHESTER, STATE OF OHIO, DURING FISCAL YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 2018

**Sponsor: Jarvis**

***A motion was made by Council Member Jarvis,***

***seconded by Council Member Mershon, that this Ordinance be adopted. The motion carried by the following vote:***

***Yes: 6 - Jarvis, Mershon, Bennett, Clark, Donahue, Walker***

**[ORD-17-050](#)**

AN ORDINANCE TO AUTHORIZE THE MAYOR TO AMEND A CONTRACT WITH EMH&T, INC. FOR MUNICIPAL ENGINEERING SERVICES FOR THE PERIOD FROM JANUARY 1, 2018 THROUGH DECEMBER 31, 2020

**Attachments:**      **[2018-2020 EMH&T Contract](#)**

**Sponsor:** *Clark*

***A motion was made by Council Member Clark, seconded by Council Member Bennett, that this Ordinance be adopted. The motion carried by the following vote:***

***Yes: 6 – Clark, Bennett, Donahue, Jarvis, Mershon, Walker***

**[ORD-17-051](#)**

AN ORDINANCE TO AUTHORIZE THE MAYOR TO AMEND A CONTRACT WITH BIRD & BULL, INC. FOR PROFESSIONAL ENGINEERING SERVICES FOR THE PERIOD FROM JANUARY 1, 2018 THROUGH DECEMBER 31, 2020

**Attachments:**      **[2018-2020 Bird&Bull Contract](#)**

**Sponsor:** *Mershon*

***A motion was made by Council Member Merhson, seconded by Council Member Jarvis, that this Ordinance be adopted. The motion carried by the following vote:***

***Yes: 6 – Mershon, Jarvis, Bennett, Clark, Donahue, Walker***

**[ORD-17-052](#)**

AN ORDINANCE TO AUTHORIZE THE MAYOR TO AMEND A CONTRACT WITH AMERICAN STRUCTUREPOINT, INC. FOR

CONSULTING SERVICES RELATING TO CONSTRUCTION INSPECTION FOR THE PERIOD FROM JANUARY 13, 2018 THROUGH JANUARY 13, 2019

**Attachments:**     [American Stucturepoint Contract Amendment](#)

**Sponsor:** *Bennett*

***A motion was made by Council Member Bennett, seconded by Council Member Clark, that this Ordinance be adopted. The motion carried by the following vote:***

***Yes: 6 – Bennett, Clark, Donahue, Jarvis, Mershon, Walker***

[ORD-17-053](#)

AN ORDINANCE TO AUTHORIZE THE MAYOR TO ENTER INTO AN AGREEMENT FOR LEGAL SERVICES WITH FROST BROWN TODD LLC FOR THE PERIOD JANUARY 1, 2018 THROUGH DECEMBER 31, 2019

**Attachments:**     [FrostBrownTodd Contract](#)

**Sponsor:** *Walker*

***A motion was made by Council Member Walker, seconded by Council Member Bennett, that this Ordinance be adopted. The motion carried by the following vote:***

***Yes: 6 – Walker, Bennett, Clark, Donahue, Jarvis, Mershon***

[ORD-17-054](#)

AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND THE CODE OF PERSONNEL PRACTICES

**Attachments:**     [Personnel Handbook Updated 10.17](#)

**Sponsor:** *Jarvis*

***A motion was made by Council Member Jarvis, seconded by Council Member Bennett, that this Ordinance be adopted. The motion carried by the following vote:***

**Yes: 6 – Jarvis, Bennett, Clark, Donahue, Mershon, Walker**

[ORD-17-055](#)

AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND CHAPTER 1317 OF THE CODIFIED ORDINANCES OF THE CITY OF CANAL WINCHESTER TO ADOPT THE 2017 OHIO BUILDING CODE, OHIO MECHANICAL CODE, AND OHIO PLUMBING CODE INCLUDING ALL REFERENCED STANDARDS THEREIN

**Sponsor: Walker**

***A motion was made by Council Member Walker, seconded by Council Member Mershon, that this Ordinance be adopted. The motion carried by the following vote:***

**Yes: 6 – Walker, Mershon, Bennett, Clark, Donahue, Jarvis**

[ORD-17-056](#)

AN ORDINANCE TO REPEAL ORDINANCE NO. 44-13 AND AMEND THE ADOPTED COMBINED DEVELOPMENT FEE SCHEDULE

**Attachments:**     [Development Fees Memo](#)

**Sponsor: Mershon**

***A motion was made by Council Member Mershon, seconded by Council Member Clark, that this Ordinance be adopted. The motion carried by the following vote:***

**Yes: 6 – Mershon, Clark, Bennett, Donahue, Jarvis, Walker**

[ORD-17-057](#)

AN ORDINANCE TO AUTHORIZE THE MAYOR TO ACCEPT ONE PARCEL OF LAND FROM WINCHESTER RIDGE THREE LLC

**Attachments:**     [Winchester Ridge Limited Warranty Deed](#)

[Winchester Ridge ROW Description](#)

[Winchester Ridge ROW Exhibit](#)

**Sponsor:** Walker

***A motion was made by Council Member Walker, seconded by Council Member Mershon, that this Ordinance be adopted. The motion carried by the following vote:***

***Yes: 6 – Walker, Mershon, Bennett, Clark, Donahue, Jarvis***

**Second Reading**

**[ORD-17-040](#)** AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO ENTER INTO A TAX INCREMENT FINANCING AGREEMENT WITH PROPERO CANAL WINCHESTER, LLC

**Attachments:** **[Propero Canal Winchester TIF Agreement](#)**

**Sponsor:** Mershon

***This Ordinance was read for second reading.***

**[ORD-17-059](#)** AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND ORDINANCE NO. 13-13, WHICH ESTABLISHED A TAX INCREMENT FINANCING AREA, TO SUBJECT SUCH TAX INCREMENT FINANCING AREA TO AN EXISTING CRA EXEMPTION AND TO DECLARE AN EMERGENCY

**Sponsor:** Walker

***This Ordinance was read for second reading.***

**[ORD-17-060](#)** AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND PART 11 OF THE CODIFIED ORDINANCES AND THE ZONING MAP OF THE CITY OF CANAL WINCHESTER, REZONING APPROXIMATELY TRACT OF LAND FROM MULTI-FAMILY RESIDENTIAL (AR-1) TO GENERAL COMMERCIAL (GC), OWNED BY CROSSROADS CHRISTIAN LIFE CENTER, INC., LOCATED ON THE EAST SIDE OF GENDER ROAD NORTH OF THE RAILROAD TRACKS (PART OF PID 184-000865)

**Attachments:** **[Crossroad Rezoning Legal Description](#)**

**Sponsor:** Bennett

***This Ordinance was read for second reading.***

First Reading[ORD-17-061](#)

AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO ENTER INTO A DEVELOPMENT AGREEMENT WITH SHRIMANGESHI, LLC.

**Attachments:**     [Shrimangeshi, LLC Development Agreement MOU](#)

***A motion was made by Council Member Jarvis seconded by Council Member Mershon, that the rules be suspended for second and third readings. Ordinance be adopted. The motion carried by the following vote:***

***Yes: 6 – Jarvis, Mershon, Clark, Bennett, Donahue, Walker***

***A motion was made by Council Member Jarvis, seconded by Council Member Mershon, that this Ordinance be adopted. The motion carried by the following vote:***

***Yes: 6 – Jarvis, Mershon, Clark, Bennett, Donahue, Walker***

[ORD-17-062](#)

AN ORDINANCE TO AUTHORIZE THE MAYOR CONVEY A TRACT OF LAND CONSISTING OF 15.588 ACRES ON ROBINETT WAY TO THE CANAL WINCHESTER INDUSTRY AND COMMERCE CORPORATION TO PROVIDE FOR ITS SUBSEQUENT CONVEYANCE TO OPUS DEVELOPMENT COMPANY, L.L.C., PURSUANT TO A PURCHASE AND SALE AGREEMENT, AND TO DECLARE AN EMERGENCY

**Attachments:**     [OPUS Purchase Agreement](#)

***A motion was made by Council Member Clark seconded by Council Member Mershon, that the rules be suspended for second and third readings. Ordinance be adopted. The motion carried by the following vote:***

***Yes: 6 – Clark, Mershon, Bennett, Donahue, Jarvis, Walker***

***A motion was made by Council Member Jarvis, seconded by Council Member Mershon, that this Ordinance be adopted. The motion carried by the following vote:***

***Yes: 6 – Clark, Mershon, Bennett, Donahue, Jarvis, Walker***

## I. REPORTS

### Mayor's Report

[17-267](#)

Mayor's Report

**Attachments:**     [Mayor's Report 12-4-17](#)

*MORPC southeast region collaboration group met here in Canal Winchester last week; some of the things that were discussed by ODOT that are of interest to us would be in 2019 they are planning on lighting at the Diley Rd 33 interchange; it's like what you see at Carroll; next year in 2018 they are going to start constructing a third lane in both directions between Hamilton Road and I270; that will probably alleviate some of the congestion we see down this way; the Madison township update, Amanda Jackson and I met with Susan Brobst an one current trustee and a newly elected trustee; we threw out our idea of what we're thinking about having Madison Township help police Canal Winchester and we're pretty much in agreement with it; we probably won't do anything else until after the first of the year; they've got a couple issues they've got to get worked out first; Chief Bates has announced his retirement and they are going to be working on a replacement for him; which they are working on right now; and there may be other changes coming;*

### Fairfield County Sheriff

*Jackson: Deputy Romine had to step out on a call; he asked me to point out that he handed out stats for the month of November; if anyone has any questions about those please feel free to contact Sargent Cassel and he will be happy to answer them;*

### Law Director

*Hollins: Thank council for renewing the contract; I serve at your pleasure; we've always appreciated the honor and privilege to represent you; I was just thinking, and there has been no changes in this contract, officially I think I came on board In 2000; at the end if*



*this contract it will be two decades; no request for executive session;*

Finance Director

[17-268](#)

Finance Director's Report

**Attachments:**     [Finance Director's Project Update 12-4-17](#)  
[2017 Merit Raises Memo](#)

*Jackson We are in the process of hiring and Administrative Assistant at the municipal building; we have a tentative start date of next Monday, December 11<sup>th</sup>; once she has officially started I would encourage you all to come meet her; this is a support position for all of management as well as the lovely ladies that work the front desks of the municipal building; it is a much needed addition to our staff; I also just want to say thank you for allowing Mary from the Treasurer's office to come on in this evening and talk about the Ohio checkbook initiative; this is a project that I can honestly say got pushed to the back burner many times over the last few months; I'm happy to have it up and running and officially launched; I encourage our council members and any of our residents to look at it; if they have questions about our expenditures please reach out to me; I would like to continue to have this level of transparency with our community; they are always welcome to stop in and ask me questions about what we're doing with their tax dollars; Jarvis: is there an burden to entering the data into that; Jackson: it's an upload; Jarvis: you don't have to do anything special; Jackson: no, I worked with the Treasurer's office to find the most appropriate report form our accounting system; what you will see on the website is basically a disclaimer that says it does not include every single expenditure; it does not include payroll data at this point because there are two different databases; so it's really everything that runs through our accounts payable which is probably one of the most important things to show our residents; if anyone ever has any questions about anything that might not show up there and they're looking for I can answer those; Jarvis: that gives you a good general idea; Jackson: we only went back to 2015, that was when we did the conversion to the new system; we did not have access to data prior to that;*

Public Service Director

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Director of Public Service Project Update

**Attachments:**     [Director of Public Service Project Update-PW](#)

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Construction Services Administrator Report

**Attachments:**     [Construction Services Admin Project Update–Dec 1](#)

*Peoples: Nothing to add;*

Development Director

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Development Director's Report

**Attachments:**     [Development Director Council Update 11-29-17](#)

*Haire: Thank you all for approving the development fee schedule; that will help out greatly; we have approved 44 single family homes this year; hopefully we'll start seeing a little more income coming in; there are certain applications that we lose money on every time; thankfully with these updates we'll get to a point that we're at least breaking even on most of these applications; I also thank you for the OPUS contract; we will move forward quickly getting into a final contract with them now; hopefully will get into that contract by the end of the year and we'll know one way or the other which way it will end up, either OPUS and NIFCO;*

**J. COUNCIL REPORTS**

*Work Session/Council*

*Monday, December 18, 2017 at 6:00 p.m.*

*CW Human Services Representation – Clark – Nothing new*

*Destination: Canal Winchester Representative – Mershon - We had a meeting last Tuesday and the issue came up that the Art Guild was unable to fulfill their grant requirements and could not get the grant money; does that grant money stay with Destination Canal Winchester or is it returned to the city; Jackson: it stays with Destination Canal Winchester; I did receive the Art Guild's final report on the mural project earlier today; they were able to get the murals up last week; Mershon: so then everything is good; Jackson: from our end; I'm not sure if they submitted to Destination but I would assume that they have;*

*Canal Winchester Industry and Commerce Corporation Representative – Clark - next meeting January 31<sup>st</sup>, 11:30 at the Interurban building;*

*CWJRD – Bennett - the last meeting of the year will be Wednesday, December 20<sup>th</sup>*

**Old/New Business**

*Walker: Christmas in the Village was absolutely something out of the movies; it was fantastic;*

*Jackson: Included in the packet this evening is a merit raise memo; every year at the end of the year we do employee evaluations and we offer merit raises for those meeting a certain number of points; the scale this year maxes out at two and a half percent; this is actually a full percentage lower than what we've done for the last four years since I've been here; I wanted to point that out to council and answer any questions related to it; Mershon: the reason that it was lower; because I know that we had approved in the budget for three and a half; Jackson: the budget was actually just slightly over two and a half to give me a little buffer in case there were rounding issues; it was not at three and a half in the budget; it was to be conscience of what our budget is next year;*

Adjourn to Executive Session - NONE

### Adjournment

*Meeting adjourned at 7:47 p.m.*

***A motion was made by Council Member Walker, seconded by Council Member Jarvis, that this be adjourned. The motion carried by the following vote:***

***Yes: 6 – Walker, Jarvis, Bennett, Clark, Jarvis, Mershon***