

SERVICE COMMITTEE

July 7, 2025

The July 7, 2025 Service Committee meeting was called to order at 5:30 p.m. in Council Chambers by Dale Rowe, Chairman. Service Committee members present were Aaron Korte, Dale Rowe, and Andy Voorheis.

Others present included: Kyle McColly, Mayor; Doug Keller, Wastewater Treatment Plant Supervisor; Dave Schneider, Collections System Supervisor; Aaron Schoenberger, Water Treatment Plant Supervisor; Brad Taylor, Street and Sanitation Supervisor; Heidi Moore; Dave Gibson; John Walker; Brian Hemminger, Daily Chief Union; and Sarah Bennett, Clerk.

The summary of bills totaling \$535,224.04 was presented.

A motion was made by Mr. Voorheis, seconded by Mr. Korte, for the approval and payment of bills totaling \$535,224.04. Upon Voice Vote, all members voted Yes. The Chairman declared the motion carried.

The minutes of the June 16, 2025 Service Committee meeting, having been mailed to each Service Committee member, were approved as received.

Mrs. Heidi Moore, Creekside Boutique and Marketplace located at 135 North Sandusky Avenue, addressed the Service Committee concerning the backflow device in her business which was previously a dentist office and is now a retail clothing store. Mrs. Moore indicated that the current cost of the required annual backflow device inspection is \$119.00. Mrs. Moore stated that she reviewed Section 931.16 Backflow Prevention Device as contained in the City's Codified Ordinances and she believes she should be eligible to eliminate the use of a backflow device at her business. Mr. Schoenberger indicated that he will work with Mrs. Moore and assess the situation and determine if a backflow device is needed at her business.

Service Committee members reviewed the refuse contract with the Wyandot County Senior Fair Board for the 2025 Wyandot County Fair to be held September 8 – 13. It was noted that the rates under this contract were increased in 2024.

A motion was made by Mr. Rowe, seconded by Mr. Voorheis, to approve the refuse contract with the Wyandot County Senior Fair Board for the 2025 Wyandot County Fair at a cost of \$5,450.00 for eight trips, being the same rate charged in 2024, plus \$700.00 for any added trips and again offer the option of having an additional dumpster delivered on Saturday of the fair at a cost of \$100.00. Upon Voice Vote, all members voted Yes. The Chairman declared the motion carried.

Mayor McColly reported that the Safety Committee, at their meeting held earlier today, voiced no objections to a request presented by Police Chief Jared Lucas from a resident of Duck Pond Road for a 25 mph speed limit sign to be posted further to the north in Woods' subdivision as there currently is only one (1) 25 mph speed limit sign located at the entrance to the subdivision. Chief Lucas recommended the placement of two (2) 25 mph speed limit signs, one (1) for each direction of traffic, further north in the subdivision. Chief Lucas will be contacting Mr. Taylor regarding the placement of these signs.

Mayor McColly also reported that the Safety Committee, at their meeting held earlier today, again discussed options to assist pedestrians cross the street with the traffic light located at the intersection of West Wyandot Avenue and Hazel Street as the school year is approaching and the school is located one block away to the north. Mr. Taylor indicated that he will contact Pathmaster regarding this situation and possibly road markings or new stripping at the crosswalk could be utilized to assist with the crossings.

Mayor McColly presented information regarding bags that sanitation customers could purchase to cover their mattresses or upholstered furniture, as required, prior to the sanitation department disposing of these items. The possibility of asking Pfeifer Hardware and Rall Supply to sell these bags was discussed.

Mr. Keller reported that the Bureau of Workers' Compensation recently conducting training sessions at the Wastewater Treatment facility and Mr. Keller noted that a safety training program will have to be developed.

Mr. Keller provided an update on the non-potable pump at the Wastewater Treatment Plant which stopped working and noted that the best option for replacement cost \$54,816.00, which was approved by Mayor McColly, with a fourteen (14) week delivery expected.

Mr. Schoenberger reported that on Thursday, July 3, 2025 an ultrasonic unit was installed at the reservoir to assist with water treatment and positive effects from this unit should be seen soon. Mr. Schoenberger explained that after three (3) weeks of treating the taste and odor issues residents are experiencing these issues have been reduced. Mr. Schoenberger indicated that he will be working with a consultant to develop a Reservoir Management Plan.

Mr. Taylor thanked the Street and Sanitation employees for their work in recent weeks as he experienced some personal issues.

Mr. Taylor expressed his appreciation to all of the employees who worked delivering the new garbage containers throughout the City. Mr. Taylor noted that arrangements are being made with elderly residents, who cannot physically handle the new ninety-six (96) gallon garbage containers, for their trash to be picked up. Mr. Taylor indicated that Mr. Tim Ray, Sanitation employee, has been training with the new garbage truck over the last three (3) weeks and the trash collection with the new garbage truck and new garbage containers is going smoother than anticipated.

Mr. Taylor reported that along with the automated trash pick-up going live on Monday, July 14, 2025, recycling will begin to be picked up at 6:00 a.m. instead of after the sanitation route.

Discussion was held regarding the requirement of residents living outside the City who subscribe to the City's sanitation service having to purchase a ninety-six (96) gallon garbage container from the City at the current cost of the container in order to maintain their garbage collection from the City, as set forth in Section 951.06 Service Rates, subsection (b) Residential Sanitation Service (outside the City).

A motion was made by Mr. Korte, seconded by Mr. Rowe, to recommend to City Council to amend Ordinance No. 20-14 and Section 951.06 Service Rates, subsection (b) Residential Sanitation Service (outside the City) to instead provide each resident outside the City who subscribes to the City's sanitation service with one ninety-six (96) gallon garbage container for use in automated collection. Upon Voice Vote, all members voted Yes. The Chairman declared the motion carried.

Mr. Schneider reported that he will be working to repair catch basins on State Route 182 and on Shields Drive soon. Mr. Schneider will be looking at a reported sink hole tomorrow on North Hazel Street.

Mayor McColly reported that he met recently with a representative from Brandstetter Carroll, Inc. regarding the East Wyandot Avenue Roadway Resurfacing Projects Phases I, II, and III.

Mayor McColly also reported that Waterworth has contacted him and they would like to reestablish their service with the City.

A motion was made by Mr. Rowe, seconded by Mr. Voorheis, to enter into an executive session to discuss a personnel matter. Upon Roll Call, all members voted Yes. The Chairman declared the motion carried. Upon completion of the executive session, the Service Committee reconvened into regular session.

Service Committee members agreed to proceed with a job posting for a Wastewater Treatment Supervisor.

There being no further business, the Chairman declared the meeting adjourned.