

Regular/Public

January 2, 2018

Council President Baker called the meeting to order.

Mayor Handwerk swore in re-elected Councilmen Lorson, Wilson and Hamsher as well as newly elected Rick Aspiras Jr.

Pastor Chuck Davis from Calvary Assembly Church offered the prayer. The pledge was recited.

Roll call: Shupp, Wilson, Aspiras Jr., Hamsher, Aspiras Sr., Corfman and Lorson were present.

Aspiras Sr. moved to approve the minutes of the last regular meeting on December 18, 2017. Wilson seconded. Roll call vote; all yeas; motion carried.

Standing Committee Reports:

Finance – Aspiras Sr.: Draft of 2018 final appropriations has been received and will be reviewed as the chair to discuss with council on the dates and will announce at next council meeting.

Utilities – Corfman: The plant is running well right now and producing lots of steam.

Transportation – Shupp: Public Meeting with ODOT at Schmid Hall January 16, 4-6pm, to discuss the Pine Street Project.

Administrative Reports:

Mayor Handwerk: Welcomed Emily Morgan from the Daily Record as our official reporter now. Employee of the month is Jeremy Wolford from the Distribution Department. Jeremy works as an “A” lineworker. He started in September of 2009 as a “C” Line Worker after attending the Stark State Lineworker course and has advanced through the ranks to his current position. He usually runs the digger truck setting poles. He and his wife Megan have three sons and live near Massillon. Jeremy enjoys taking his sons to youth sports programs. He also enjoys the Massillon Tigers, NBA basketball, watching college football - especially Ohio State and riding his bicycle when the weather allows. Jeremy is a great employee to have around when the weather gets bad. He always comes in to help when called and just made a trip to Florida, this past fall with Kyle Miller, to help out after Irma hit. His efforts are appreciated.

Safety Service Department Steve Wheeler: Service Department handling winter duties and filling potholes with cold patch as weather allows. This is very short-term and expensive so we focus on main roads with that cold patch process. Two weeks from tonight, January 16, is an open house at Schmid Hall. This is an update on the proposed Pine Street project. You can come any time before 4 and 6. No presentation or set time to be there.

