

MEETING MINUTES
COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE MEETING
Tuesday, November 14, 2023 – 6:00 PM
Ashland City Hall Council Chambers

1. Roll Call

The Tuesday, November 14, 2023 City of Ashland Committee of the Whole Meeting was called to order by Council President Charlie Ortman at 6:20 p.m.

PRESENT: Kevin Seefeldt, Sarah Jackson, Ana Tochtermann, Andrew Goyke, James Gregoire, Charlie Ortman, Dick Pufall.

ALSO PRESENT: Mayor Matt MacKenzie, City Administrator Brant Kucera, City Clerk Denise Oliphant, Public Works Director John Butler, and other interested citizens.

2. Approval of Agenda

Gregoire moved, seconded by Goyke to approve the agenda. The motion carried unanimously by voice vote.

3. Council President's Report

Ortman had nothing to report.

4. Administrator's Report

Kucera talked of the discussions that the City has been having with the organizers of the Book Across the Bay, explaining that the Main Street Board will be taking over the tent activities, and the race is planned to start and end in Ashland as it did last year.

5. DISCUSSION ITEMS

A. Discussion and Possible Action Regarding the Proposed 2024 Comprehensive Fee Schedule *(Clerk)*

Seefeldt moved, seconded by Gregoire to approve to move the proposed fee schedule changes forward to Council for formal approval, with a change in the Parks and Recreation fees as presented at the meeting. The motion carried unanimously by voice vote.

B. Discussion and Possible Action Regarding Entering into an Agreement with the BRICK Ministries for Temporary Use of the Central Railyard Concession Building for Their Food Pantry *(Parks)*

Gregoire moved, seconded by Tochtermann to approve to move the agreement forward to Council for formal approval. The motion carried unanimously by voice vote.

C. Presentation and Discussion Regarding the Marina and Water/Wastewater Budgets, and Approve to Forward to Council for Formal Approval *(Administration)*

Butler and Kucera introduced and discussed the proposed 2024 Marina, Water and Wastewater budgets. Gregoire moved, Goyke seconded a motion to forward the budgets to the public hearing meeting for formal approval. The motion carried 6-1 by voice vote; Pufall opposed.

D. Discussion and Possible Action Regarding Other Budget Items as Necessary *(Administration)*

There were no other budgets to be discussed at this time.

6. Adjournment

Goyke moved, seconded by Gregoire to adjourn. The motion carried unanimously by voice vote.

Respectfully Submitted,

Denise Oliphant,
City Clerk