

CIRCLEVILLE COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE MEETING MINUTES 1/14/2026

Circleville Committee of The Whole convened in City Council Chambers, 127 South Court St., Circleville, OH 43113, on Tuesday, January 14, 2026, at 6:00 p.m. Present at Roll Call: President Barry Keller and Council Members Katie Logan Hedges, Sheri Theis, Tom Klitzka, Jeff Hallinin, John Moats, Jake Davison, Tom Duvall, and Clerk Melissa Burns. Invited guests present: Mayor Michelle Blanton and Law Director Kendra Kinney.

Keller called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. with Roll Call.

Hedges motioned to approve the minutes from December 2, 2025. Seconded by Theis. Motion carried.

New Business:

a) AN ORDINANCE GRANTING TO HEALTHCARE LOGISTICS LOCAL JOB CREATION INCOME TAX CREDITS AGAINST THE INCOME TAX OF THE CITY PURSUANT TO THE PROVISIONS OF THE MUNICIPAL INCOME TAX CREDIT PROGRAM AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

Discussion: Brian Hill, P3 Executive Director, gave some background on the growth of Healthcare Logistics and its future expansions. The company is returning one of its operations back to Circleville, resulting in the creation of approximately 50 new jobs. Keller added the Ordinance is for a period over five years and is for a tax credit of 50%. Keller stated that the company is rehabbing the old Thompson site for its relocation. Klitzka confirmed with Hill that this is moving the Grove City location back to Circleville.

MOTION-ROLL CALL-VOTE: Klitzka motioned to forward the Ordinance to the next Council meeting on January 20, 2026, with a recommendation for passage. Theis seconded. (7 Yeas - 0 Nays) Motion carried.

b) RESOLUTION EXTENDING THE MORATORIUM ON THE RETAIL CULTIVATION, PROCESSING, AND DISPENSING OF ADULT-USE AND MEDICAL MARIJUANA IN THE CITY OF CIRCLEVILLE AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

Discussion: Keller stated the current moratorium in place is set to expire on February 6, 2026. Keller noted that Klitzka has done a lot of research on the issues, but Council is not ready to move forward. Keller asked the Law Director to prepare this Resolution extending the moratorium for another 90 days.

MOTION-ROLL CALL-VOTE: Hedges motioned to forward the Resolution to the next Council meeting on January 20, 2026, with a recommendation for adoption. Duvall seconded. (7 Yeas - 0 Nays) Motion carried.

c) A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING AND DIRECTING THE PAYMENT OF MONIES TO THE ACTING/APPOINTED TREASURER FOR SERVICES RENDERED TO THE CITY OF CIRCLEVILLE AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

Discussion: Keller explains the Treasurer that was elected cannot serve his term due to relocating. The Republican Central Committee is going through the process of advertising, interviewing and appointing a new candidate for Treasurer. In the interim, this Resolution would appoint the old Treasurer Doddie Radcliff to fill that role.

MOTION-ROLL CALL-VOTE: Hallinin motioned to forward the Resolution to the next Council meeting on January 20, 2026, with a recommendation for adoption. Moats seconded. (7 Yeas - 0 Nays) Motion carried.

d) Executive Session- FD & PD wage reopener.

MOTION-ROLL CALL -VOTE

Hedges motioned to adjourn into executive session for; considering appointment, employment, dismissal, discipline, promotion, demotion, or compensation of public employees or officials pursuant to Revised Code Section 121.22(G)(1); and preparing review for negotiations pursuant to 121.22(G)(4),; and to consider confidential information related to marketing plans, business strategy, production techniques, trade secrets or personal financial statements of an applicant for economic development assistance pursuant to 121.22(G)(8). Hallinin seconded. Roll call. (7 Yeas- 0 Nays). Motion carried.

MOTION-ROLL CALL -VOTE

Klitzka motioned to adjourn executive session and go back into regular session. Moats seconded. Roll call. (7 Yeas- 0 Nays). Motion carried.

Hallinin motioned to adjourn the meeting at 7:40 p.m., Seconded by Theis. Motion carried.

Minutes prepared by: Melissa Burns, Clerk.