



CITY OF PATASKALA

COUNCIL MEETING

July 21, 2025

The Council of the City of Pataskala met in regular session on July 21, 2025, at 7:00 PM in Council Chambers, located at 621 W. Broad Street. The pledge of allegiance was given. Roll Call: Hite, Epperson, Kohman, Hampshire, and Lee – present. Walther and Galik – absent. Mayor Michael W. Compton presiding and Brian Zets, Law Director present.

Citizens Comments

Scott Brown, Alexis Fitzsimmons and Gabriel Kelvin addressed City Council. These comments are available by audio recording through the Office of the Clerk of Council or the City's YouTube channel in accordance with the City's record retention schedule.

Reports

Chris Sharrock, Acting City Administrator, stated that the blood drive that the Red Cross and Pataskala were going to put on was canceled tomorrow due to low staffing and looking to reschedule, the Charter Commission is meeting Monday July 28th at 6pm, reminded everyone that like years past the pool will restrict their hours to M-F from 4 to 7 with weekend hours staying the same beginning on August 11th due to most of the staff going back to school, congratulated Jamie on his last council meeting tonight and will be having pizza at noon on August 1st, his official last day at the Police Station Training room and then meeting at Ziggys after work and accepted questions from Council.

James Nicholson, Finance Director, wanted to thank whoever had Scott Brown come in for his proclamation, it has been a privilege to be here for the last 13 years, it has changed much over those years and he believes the city is in a wonderful position and thanked everyone for their support and believes he is leaving the city in good hands, in the final stages of printing the 2024 PAFR and should be mailed out in the next week or two and explained what the PAFR is and accepted questions from Council. Jennifer Dennis stated that her and Nichole are both in training mode and everything is going as smoothly as possible with the transition.

Jeremy Moore, Utility Director, congratulated John Burr on completing his Waste Water Class 2 License test and now is eligible to be an operator 2 and he will be the backup operator when the superintendent is not at the plant and accepted questions from Council.

Alan Haines, Public Service Director, stated the Streets Program is completed and working on restoration and driveways the next few weeks and accepted questions from Council.

Jack Kuntzman, Senior Planner, introduced himself to council and explained why and the accepted questions from Council.

Bruce Brooks, Chief of Police, accepted questions from Council.

Any questions asked by Council are available by audio recording through the Office of the Clerk of Council or the City's YouTube channel in accordance with the City's record retention schedule.

Committee Chair Reports

There were none.

Discussion and approval of Consent Agenda matters

Epperson made a motion to approve the Consent Agenda. Seconded by Lee. Roll Call: Hite, Epperson, Kohman, Hampshire, and Lee -yes. Mayor Compton declared the motion passed.

The Consent Agenda included the Administrator's Report, Department Reports, July 7, 2025 Council Meeting Minutes and the following Resolution:

RESOLUTION 2025-057 – A resolution authorizing and directing the City Administrator, or his designee, to execute an agreement to purchase ballistic rifle plates from MF Precision Supply Co. LLC for use by the police department.

RESOLUTION 2025-058 - A resolution to amend the 2025 pay matrix for the non-collectively bargained employees for the City of Pataskala, effective for the pay period beginning on July 20, 2025.

Unfinished Business

Epperson made a motion to read Ordinance 2025-4495 for a third reading. Seconded by Hite. The Clerk read the following:

ORDINANCE 2025-4495 – Third Reading – An ordinance to rezone property located at 6500 Taylor Road, parcel number 063-142002-01.001, totaling 0.72 +/- acres in the City of Pataskala, from the Light Manufacturing (M-1) zoning classification to the Professional Research Office (PRO) zoning classification.

Epperson made a motion to adopt Ordinance 2025-4495. Seconded by Lee. Roll Call: Epperson, Kohman, Hampshire, Lee, and Hite-yes. Mayor Compton declared the motion passed.

Epperson made a motion to read Ordinance 2025-4498 for a third reading. Seconded by Lee. The Clerk read the following:

ORDINANCE 2025-4498 - Third Reading - An ordinance to amend the City of Pataskala Public Records Policy by creating, adopting, and adding a Law Enforcement Video Records Policy

Epperson made a motion to adopt Ordinance 2025-4498. Seconded by Lee. Roll Call: Hampshire, Lee, Hite, Epperson, and Kohman -yes. Mayor Compton declared the motion passed.

Epperson made a motion to read Ordinance 2025-4499 for a second reading. Seconded by Hite. The Clerk read the following:

ORDINANCE 2025-4499 – Second Reading - An ordinance to revise section 505.11(c) of the Codified Ordinances of the City of Pataskala, Licking County, Ohio.

New Business

There was none.

Additional Citizens' Comments

There were none.

Mike Compton wanted to thank Chris Sharrock for the presentation he gave Berine Marino about the sewer project and for putting that together.

Epperson made a motion to go into executive session pursuant to R.C. 121.22(G)(1), to consider the appointment and compensation of a public employee. To be invited: Mayor Mike Compton and Assistant City Administrator Chris Sharrock. Seconded by Lee. Roll Call: Lee, Hite, Epperson, Kohman, and Hampshire - yes. Mayor Compton declared the motion passed and went into executive session at 7:54pm.

Epperson made a motion to come out of executive session at 8:20pm. Seconded by Lee. Roll Call: Hite, Epperson, Kohman, Hampshire, and Lee-yes. Mayor Compton declared the motion passed and came out of executive session.

Committee Meeting Announcements, Scheduling Issues & General Comments

Epperson told Jamie job well done and wished him well in his retirement

Kohman stated the same and we will miss him but believe we are headed in the right direction

Compton was on council when Jamie was voted in and like Jamie said there were a ton of stuff that they ran into that Jamie helped them through but is excited about the new employees coming into the positions for the city in the Finance Department

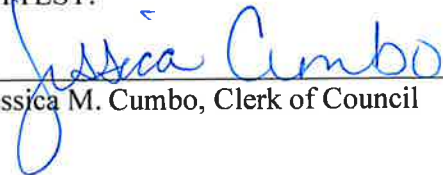
Hampshire wished Jamie well and if anyone wants to place their business cards out in the lobby if they would like

Lee made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Seconded by Epperson. Roll Call: Lee, Hite, Epperson, Kohman and Hampshire -yes. Mayor Compton declared the motion passed.

Meeting Adjourned.

Minutes approved August 4th, 2025.

ATTEST:



Jessica M. Cumbo, Clerk of Council



~~Andrew Walther, Council President~~
Dustin Epperson, Vice