

MINUTES OF THE MEETING MARCH 16, 2026

ROLL CALL: All Members Present

MOTION TO EXCUSE MEMBERS: Not Necessary

INVOCATION: Jonathan Cooks, Ward 6 Council Member

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE: President Giavasis

AGENDA CORRECTIONS & CHANGES: (Suspended Rule 22A To Add 2nd Rdg O#12 & O#13)

PUBLIC HEARINGS: None

OLD BUSINESS: None

PUBLIC SPEAKS: None

RULE 18 SPEAKER(S): Lauren Dematteis spoke on behalf of another family who is experiencing gun violence in their neighborhood. Carolyn Fite proposed to develop a fashion district in the downtown Canton area.

INFORMAL RESOLUTIONS:

1. COUNCIL MEMBER SACCO: EXPRESS SUPPORT AND ADOPTION OF GLENWOOD INTERMEDIATE SCHOOL, SAFE ROUTES TO SCHOOL, SCHOOL TRAVEL PLAN. – **ADOPTED**
2. COUNCIL-AS-A-WHOLE: RECOGNIZING TRACY FOSTER FOR HER DEDICATION TO SERVING THE CANTON COMMUNITY. – **ADOPTED**

COMMUNICATIONS: All Communications were received as read.

NOTE: All Communications, listed by agenda title, are on file in their entirety, in the council office with the agenda items file dated March 16, 2026.

ORDINANCES AND FORMAL RESOLUTIONS FOR FIRST READING:

NOTE: President Giavasis called upon Clerk Wood to read Ordinances O#9 through O#11 for their First Reading, by title, as required by state law. All First Readings, listed by agenda title, are on file in their entirety, in the Council Office with the agenda items file dated March 16, 2026.

ORDINANCES & FORMAL RESOLUTIONS FOR SECOND READING:

NOTE: President Giavasis called upon Clerk Wood to read Ordinances O#12 and O#13 for their Second Reading, by title, as required by state law. All Second Readings, listed by agenda title, are on file in their entirety, in the Council Office with the agenda items file dated March 16, 2026.

ORDINANCES & FORMAL RESOLUTIONS FOR THIRD AND FINAL READING:

NOTE: President Giavasis called upon Clerk Wood to read Ordinances #14 through #19 for their Third, Final Reading and Vote. All 3rd Readings, listed by agenda title, are on file in their entirety, in the Council Office with the agenda items file dated March 16, 2026.

14. **ADOPTED AS ORDINANCE NO. 43/2026** AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE ADOPTION OF THE CANTON CLIMATE ACTION AND SUSTAINABILITY PLAN AS AN ADDITION AND AMENDMENT TO THE COMPREHENSIVE PLAN FOR THE CITY OF

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CANTON; AND DECLARING THE SAME TO BE AN EMERGENCY. – **ADOPTED**

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15. **ADOPTED AS ORDINANCE NO. 44/2026** AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR OR DIRECTOR OF PUBLIC SERVICE TO: ADVERTISE, RECEIVE BIDS, AWARD AND ENTER INTO ALL CONTRACTS NECESSARY FOR THE PURCHASE OF A LARGE SANITATION PACKER AND A 12/13-YARD SANITATION PACKER, AND ENTER INTO ALL CONTRACTS FOR THE PURCHASE OF THE VEHICLES UTILIZING ANY PROCUREMENT PROCESS AUTHORIZED BY LAW; AMENDING APPROPRIATION ORDINANCE NO. 243/2025; AND DECLARING THE SAME TO BE AN EMERGENCY. – **ADOPTED**

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16. **ADOPTED AS ORDINANCE NO. 45/2026** AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR OR DIRECTOR OF PUBLIC SERVICE TO ENTER INTO A CONTRACT AMENDMENT WITH MICHAEL BAKER INTERNATIONAL, INC. IN AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$90,000 FOR CONSTRUCTION ENGINEERING SERVICES RELATED TO THE BELDEN AVE. NE BRIDGE REHABILITATION PROJECT; AUTHORIZING THE AUDITOR TO PAY ALL MORAL OBLIGATIONS RELATED TO THE CONTRACT AMENDMENT; AND DECLARING THE SAME TO BE AN EMERGENCY. – **ADOPTED**

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17. **ADOPTED AS ORDINANCE NO. 46/2026** AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR OR DIRECTOR OF PUBLIC SERVICE TO: ADVERTISE, RECEIVE BIDS, AWARD AND ENTER INTO ALL CONTRACTS NECESSARY FOR THE PURCHASE OF A LARGE SANITATION PACKER AND A 12/13-YARD SANITATION PACKER, AND ENTER INTO ALL CONTRACTS FOR THE PURCHASE OF THE VEHICLES UTILIZING ANY PROCUREMENT PROCESS AUTHORIZED BY LAW; AMENDING APPROPRIATION ORDINANCE NO. 243/2025; AND DECLARING THE SAME TO BE AN EMERGENCY. – **ADOPTED**

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18. **ADOPTED AS ORDINANCE NO. 47/2026** AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR OR DIRECTOR OF PUBLIC SERVICE TO ENTER INTO CHANGE ORDER NO. 10 WITH STANDARD PLUMBING AND HEATING CO. IN AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$10,796.67 FOR THE CIVIC CENTER INFRASTRUCTURE IMPROVEMENTS PROJECT; AMENDING APPROPRIATION ORDINANCE NO. 243/2025; AUTHORIZING THE AUDITOR TO PAY ALL MORAL OBLIGATIONS RELATED TO THESE CHANGE ORDERS; AND DECLARING THE SAME TO BE AN EMERGENCY. – **ADOPTED**

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