

CITY OF BRUNSWICK, OHIO

MINUTES OF COUNCIL

Monday, April 11, 2022

Prayer and Pledge of Allegiance The regular meeting of Brunswick City Council was called to order by Mayor Ron Falconi at 7:05 p.m. at the Municipal Complex.

Roll Call of Members Nick Hanek, Brandon Lambert, Michael Abella Jr., Anthony Capretta, Joseph Delsanter, Tim Smith, Kristy Piper.

Others Present: Mayor Ron Falconi, City Manager/Safety Director Carl DeForest, Law Director Ken Fisher, Clerk of Council Laura Timura.

Correspondence There was none.

Approval of Regular Council Meeting Minutes dated March 28, 2022

Nicholas Hanek made a motion to approve the Council Meeting Minutes dated March 28, 2022 as written, seconded by Brandon Lambert. Roll Call - Ayes - 7, Michael Abella Jr., Tim Smith, Kristy Piper, Nicholas Hanek, Brandon Lambert, Joseph Delsanter, Anthony Capretta. - Nays - 0. Motion Carried.

Mayor's Report:

Mayor's Court Financial Report for the month ending March 2022 will be posted on the website and added to the minutes for the record:

Proclamation in recognition of John S. Larson's retirement and service to the City:

Ken Fisher and Todd Fischer presented a proclamation to John Larson in recognition of his retirement and service to the City of Brunswick.

Mayor's Update:

Motion to approve Mayor's recommendation to appoint Jean Nowak to the Tree Advisory Committee:

Joseph Delsanter made a motion to appoint Jean Nowak to the Tree Advisory Committee, seconded by Nicholas Hanek. Roll Call - Ayes - 7, Anthony Capretta, Nicholas Hanek, Brandon Lambert, Joseph Delsanter, Tim Smith, Kristy Piper, Michael Abella Jr. - Nays - 0. Motion Carried.

Mayor's recommendation to reappoint Hope Zakany to the Juvenile Diversion Board:

Mayor's recommendation to appoint Heather Scaglione to the Commemorative Affairs Board:

If anyone on Council has any questions regarding these recommendations, they should contact the Mayor.

Clerk of Council's Report There was none.

Council Committee Reports:

Economic Development Committee.....Mr. Lambert:

Mr. Lambert had no formal reports this evening.

Services, Utilities, Technology & Cable Committee.....Mr. Smith:

Mr. Smith had no formal reports this evening.

Finance Committee.....Mr. Hanek:

Mr. Hanek had no formal reports this evening.

Safety & Environment Committee.....Mr. Capretta:

Safety & Environment Committee Meeting Minutes dated March 28, 2022:

Anthony Capretta moved to approve the Safety & Environment Committee formal report dated March 28, 2022, as written, seconded by Brandon Lambert. Roll Call - Ayes - 7, Nicholas Hanek, Brandon Lambert, Joseph Delsanter, Tim Smith, Michael Abella Jr., Kristy Piper, Anthony Capretta. - Nays - 0. Motion Carried.

Planning & Zoning Committee.....Mr. Delsanter:

Mr. Delsanter had no formal reports this evening.

Parks, Recreation & Community Committee.....Mrs. Piper:

Mrs. Piper had no formal reports this evening.

Building & Building Code Committee.....Mr. Abella:

Mr. Abella had no formal reports this evening.

Other Committees, Boards and Commissions

Committee of the Whole Meeting Minutes dated February 7, 2022:

Committee of the Whole Meeting Minutes dated March 28, 2022:

Nicholas Hanek moved to approve the Committee-of-the-Whole formal reports dated February 7, 2022 and March 28, 2022, as written, seconded by Brandon Lambert. Roll Call - Ayes - 7, Brandon Lambert, Kristy Piper, Nicholas Hanek, Joseph Delsanter, Anthony Capretta, Michael Abella Jr., Tim Smith. - Nays - 0. Motion Carried.

Petitions from the Public on Legislation

James Evanoff of 3649 Ascot Drive addressed the Council. He said he felt it was rational for the State to allow Ohioans to use fireworks in the state where they were previously only allowed to purchase them. Mr. Evanoff said he agrees with the times that the state has reserved for the use of fireworks. He said he does not agree with the narrow window that the City of Brunswick is proposing. He mentioned that depending upon what day the 4th of July falls on, you may not be permitted to use fireworks the weekend before or after the holiday.

He would rather have the City have its dates in line with the state. Mr. Evanoff asked what types of fireworks would now be allowed.

Donna Hunter of 4170 Miner Drive came before the Council. She did not understand why the fireworks ordinance is listed as an emergency during the month of April. She mentioned that fireworks have been illegal for many years. In her opinion, the ordinance is unenforceable, because it would be difficult for police to determine who is using fireworks.

Council Clerk, Laura Timura, then read an email from Brunswick resident, Kim Tessmer. Ms. Tessmer indicated that she would like the City to follow the state legislation.

Reading of Legislation and Action on Legislation:

3rd Reading(s)

ORD. NO. 21-2022 - An ordinance approving the final plat for The Preserve at Meadow View development, subject to final engineering approval and any other conditions imposed by Council. - **3rd Reading** (Planning & Zoning Committee, *Administration/Grant Aungst*):

Joseph Delsanter moved to adopt Ordinance Number 21-2022, seconded by Brandon Lambert. Roll Call - Ayes - 7, Nicholas Hanek, Kristy Piper, Michael Abella Jr., Brandon Lambert, Anthony Capretta, Joseph Delsanter, Tim Smith. Nays - 0. Motion Carried.

ORD. NO. 22-2022 - An ordinance approving the final plat for the Meijer's development, subject to final engineering approval and any other conditions imposed by Council. - **3rd Reading** (Planning & Zoning Committee, *Administration/Grant Aungst*):

Joseph Delsanter moved to adopt Ordinance Number 22-2022, seconded by Nicholas Hanek. Roll Call - Ayes - 7, Kristy Piper, Tim Smith, Joseph Delsanter, Michael Abella Jr., Anthony Capretta, Brandon Lambert, Nicholas Hanek. Nays - 0. Motion Carried.

2nd Reading(s)

ORD. NO. 24-2022- An emergency ordinance adopting the recommendation of the Brunswick Community Reinvestment Area Housing Council to continue all active agreements in 2022 and accept the 2021 CRA Status Report. - **2nd Reading** (Committee-of-the-Whole, *Administration/Grant Aungst*)**2nd**:

Nicholas Hanek moved to suspend the rules, seconded by Joseph Delsanter. Roll Call - Ayes - 7, Tim Smith, Brandon Lambert, Kristy Piper, Nicholas Hanek, Michael Abella Jr., Anthony Capretta, Joseph Delsanter. Nays - 0. Motion Carried.

Nicholas Hanek moved to adopt Ordinance Number 24-2022, seconded by Tim Smith. Roll Call - Ayes - 7, Nicholas Hanek, Brandon Lambert, Michael Abella Jr., Anthony Capretta, Joseph Delsanter, Tim Smith, Kristy Piper. Nays - 0. Motion Carried.

RES. NO. 25-2022 - An emergency resolution and suspension of the rules authorizing the City Manager to purchase a new Hurst Jaws of Life and Rescue Tools for the Division of Fire from Warren Fire Equipment for an amount not to exceed \$72,000.00.- **2nd Reading** (Safety & Environment Committee, *Administration/Greg Glauner*):

Anthony Capretta moved to suspend the rules, seconded by Kristy Piper. Roll Call - Ayes - 7, Tim Smith, Joseph Delsanter, Kristy Piper, Nicholas Hanek, Michael Abella Jr., Anthony Capretta, Brandon Lambert. Nays - 0. Motion Carried.

Anthony Capretta moved to adopt Resolution Number 25-2022, seconded by Tim Smith. Roll Call - Ayes - 7, Michael Abella Jr., Tim Smith, Kristy Piper, Nicholas Hanek, Brandon Lambert, Joseph Delsanter, Anthony Capretta. Nays - 0. Motion Carried.

ORD. NO. 26-2022 - An ordinance amending Section 288.01(a) of the City of Brunswick Codified Ordinances to reduce the membership of the Tree Advisory Committee and establish a term of membership.- **2nd Reading** (Committee-of-the-Whole, *Administration/Kenneth Fisher*):

ORD. NO. 26-2022 - Mr. Hanek moved this ordinance to 3rd reading.

1st Reading(s)

ORD. NO. 27-2022 - An emergency ordinance amending Section 672.09 of the City of Brunswick Codified Ordinances. - **1st Reading** (To be brought from Safety & Environment Committee, *Administration/Brian Ohlin*):

ORD. NO. 27-2022 - Mr. Capretta moved this ordinance to second reading and back to the Safety & Environment Committee for review.

RES. NO. 28-2022 - An emergency resolution authorizing the City Manager to purchase an emergency generator for the Division of Police from Hilscher-Clarke Electric for an amount not to exceed \$40,000. - **1st Reading** (To be brought from Safety & Environment Committee, *Administration/Brian Ohlin*):

Anthony Capretta moved to suspend the rules, seconded by Kristy Piper. Roll Call - Ayes - 7, Nicholas Hanek, Kristy Piper, Michael Abella Jr., Brandon Lambert, Anthony Capretta, Joseph Delsanter, Tim Smith. Nays - 0. Motion Carried.

Anthony Capretta moved to adopt Resolution Number 28-2022, seconded by Nicholas Hanek. Roll Call - Ayes - 7, Kristy Piper, Tim Smith, Joseph Delsanter, Michael Abella Jr., Anthony Capretta, Brandon Lambert, Nicholas Hanek. Nays - 0. Motion Carried.

ORD. NO. 29-2022 - An emergency ordinance amending Section 282.01(a) of the City of Brunswick Codified Ordinances to increase the membership of the Board of Commemorative Affairs. - **1st Reading** (To be brought from Committee of the Whole, *Administration/Ken Fisher*):

Nicholas Hanek moved to suspend the rules, seconded by Joseph Delsanter. Roll Call - Ayes - 7, Tim Smith, Brandon Lambert, Kristy Piper, Nicholas Hanek, Michael Abella Jr., Anthony Capretta, Joseph Delsanter. Nays - 0. Motion Carried.

Nicholas Hanek moved to adopt Ordinance Number 29-2022, seconded by Kristy Piper. Roll Call - Ayes - 7, Nicholas Hanek, Brandon Lambert, Michael Abella Jr., Anthony Capretta, Joseph Delsanter, Tim Smith, Kristy Piper. Nays - 0. Motion Carried.

ORD. NO. 30-2022 - An ordinance amending Chapter 672 of the City of Brunswick Codified Ordinances. - **1st Reading** (To be brought from Safety & Environment Committee, *Administration/Brian Ohlin*):

ORD. NO. 30-2022 - Mr. Capretta moved this ordinance to second reading.

ORD. NO. 31-2022 - An emergency ordinance to approve the editing and inclusion of certain ordinances as components of the new Codified Ordinances; to provide for the adoption of new legislation in the updated revised Codified Ordinances; and to repeal ordinances in conflict therewith. - **1st Reading** - (To be brought from Committee-of-the-Whole, *Administration/Laura Timura*):

Nicholas Hanek moved to suspend the rules, seconded by Brandon Lambert. Roll Call - Ayes - 7, Michael Abella Jr., Tim Smith, Kristy Piper, Nicholas Hanek, Brandon Lambert, Joseph Delsanter, Anthony Capretta. Nays - 0. Motion Carried.

Nicholas Hanek moved to adopt Ordinance Number 31-2022, seconded by Tim Smith. Roll Call - Ayes - 7, Anthony Capretta, Nicholas Hanek, Brandon Lambert, Joseph Delsanter, Tim Smith, Kristy Piper, Michael Abella Jr. Nays - 0. Motion Carried.

City Manager's Report Carl DeForest thanked everyone who went to Venus Park on Saturday morning to help with the cleanup. There were approximately 35-40 people there, including members of Council. They picked up trash and planted 5 trees. It was refreshing to see people show up to an Earth Day event. There have been as few as 3 or 4 people show up in the past. He expressed his thanks for residents getting involved in their community.

He reminded residents that the deadline to file taxes is Monday, April 18th. City Hall will be closed this Friday, April 15 for the holiday.

Council authorized a request for a proposal for the Inclusive Playground that the administration intends to build at Neura Park later this year. The request for proposal authorizes the City to put out the proposal, identify the parameters, and state what is the maximum dollar amount authorized by Council. The total raised so far for this project is \$275,000. The goal is to have \$400,000. The administration would like to have the construction of the playground in September. This idea was placed before the Council about 16 months ago.

Administrative Departments There was none.

Open Forum There was none.

Unfinished Business There was none.

New Business

Mr. Delsanter said he would like to have the City of Brunswick flag displayed in Council Chambers along with the other flags.

Mr. Smith expressed concerns about the clarity of the Mayor's microphone.

Adjournment

Nicholas Hanek moved to adjourn, seconded by Joseph Delsanter. Roll Call - Ayes - 6, Nicholas Hanek, Brandon Lambert, Joseph Delsanter, Tim Smith, Michael Abella Jr., Kristy Piper. Nays - 0. Motion Carried.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 7:34 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Laura Timura

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Clerk of Council



Vice Mayor Nicholas Hanek

4/25/2022

Adopted