

CITY OF BRUNSWICK, OHIO

MINUTES OF COUNCIL

Monday, May 23, 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 showed the following Council Members present: Nicholas Hanek, Brandon Lambert, Michael Abella Jr., Anthony Capretta, Joseph Delsanter, Tim Smith, Kristy Piper

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

Correspondence There was none.

Approval of regular Council Meeting Minutes dated May 9, 2022.

Mayor's Report:

Mayor's Update:

Proclamation in recognition of Caleb Sepesy's Eagle Scout achievement:

Mayor Ron Falconi presented a proclamation to Caleb Sepesy in recognition of his Eagle Scout achievement.

Motion to approve Mayor's recommendation to appoint Dakota Sawyer to the Commemorative Affairs Board:

Tim Smith moved to approve the Mayor's recommendation to appoint Dakota Sawyer to the Commemorative Affairs Board, seconded by Nicholas Hanek. Roll Call - Ayes - 7, Nicholas Hanek, Brandon Lambert, Michael Abella Jr., Anthony Capretta, Joseph Delsanter, Tim Smith, Kristy Piper. Nays - 0. Motion Carried.

Clerk of Council's Report Clerk of Council Laura Timura announced that the Mayor's office is looking for a business representative for the Financial Audit, Review & Advisory Committee and for a member of the Board of Zoning Appeals.

Council Committee Reports:

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

Councilman Brandon Lambert had no formal reports this evening.

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

Councilman Tim Smith had no formal reports this evening.

Finance Committee.....Mr. Hanek:

Councilman Nicholas Hanek had no formal reports this evening.

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

Councilman Anthony Capretta had no formal reports this evening.

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

Planning & Zoning Committee Meeting Minutes dated May 9, 2022:

Joseph Delsanter moved to approve the Planning & Zoning Committee formal report dated May 9, 2022, as written, 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.

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

Parks, Recreation & Community Committee Meeting Minutes dated May 9, 2022:

Kristy Piper moved to approve the Parks, Recreation & Community Committee formal report dated May 9, 2022, as written, seconded by Anthony Capretta. Roll Call - Ayes - 7, Nicholas Hanek, Brandon Lambert, Michael Abella Jr., Anthony Capretta, Joseph Delsanter, Tim Smith, Kristy Piper. Nays - 0. Motion Carried.

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

Councilman Michael Abella Jr. had no formal reports this evening.

Other Committees, Boards and Commissions

Committee of the Whole Minutes dated May 9, 2022:

Nicholas Hanek moved to approve the Committee-of-the-Whole formal report dated May 9, 2022, as written, seconded by Joseph Delsanter. Roll Call - Ayes - 7, Nicholas Hanek, Brandon Lambert, Michael Abella Jr., Anthony Capretta, Joseph Delsanter, Tim Smith, Kristy Piper. Nays - 0. Motion Carried.

Petitions from the Public on Legislation There was none.

Reading of Legislation and Action on Legislation:

3rd Reading(s)

RES. NO. 34-2022 - An emergency resolution granting a permanent easement and right-of-way on City property at 1238 West 130th Street to Ohio Edison Company. - **3rd Reading** (Committee-of-the-Whole, Administration/Ken Fisher):

Nicholas Hanek moved to adopt Resolution Number 34-2022, seconded by Anthony Capretta. 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. 35-2022 - An emergency resolution granting a permanent easement and right-of-way on City property at 4400 Center Road to Ohio Edison Company. - **3rd Reading** (Committee-of-the-Whole, *Administration/Ken Fisher*):

Nicholas Hanek moved to adopt Resolution Number 35-2022, seconded by Joseph Delsanter. 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. 38-2022 - An emergency resolution authorizing the donation of municipal personal property not needed for municipal purposes. - **3rd Reading** (Parks, Recreation & Community Committee, *Administration/Taylor Petkovsek*):

Kristy Piper moved to adopt Resolution Number 38-2022, 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.

2nd Reading(s)

1st Reading(s)

RES. NO. 47-2022 - An emergency resolution authorizing the City Manager to purchase twenty-five (25) Bodyworn Cameras for the Division of Police from Motorola Solutions in an amount not to exceed \$50,000. - **1st Reading** (To be brought from Safety Committee, *Administration/Brian Ohlin*):

Anthony Capretta moved to suspend the rules, 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.

Anthony Capretta moved to adopt Resolution Number 47-2022, seconded by Brandon Lambert. 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. 48-2022 - An emergency resolution authorizing the City Manager to enter into a Partnership Agreement with the City of Medina for application for the Program Year 2022 Community Housing Impact and Preservation Program Grant. - **1st Reading** - (To be brought from Committee-of-the-Whole, *Administration/Grant Aungst*):

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

Nicholas Hanek moved to adopt Resolution Number 48-2022, seconded by Brandon Lambert. 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. 49-2022 - An emergency resolution authorizing the City Manager/Safety Director to execute documents and authorize payment for the purchase of property at 1094 Hadcock Road for an amount not to exceed \$170,000. - **1st Reading** (To be brought from Committee-of-the Whole, *Administration/Carl DeForest*):

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

Nicholas Hanek moved to adopt Resolution Number 49-2022, seconded by Brandon Lambert. 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. 50-2022- An emergency ordinance authorizing and adopting the proposed tax budget for the City of Brunswick, Ohio for the year beginning January 1, 2023, through December 31, 2023. - **1st Reading** (To be brought from Committee-of-the-Whole, *Administration/Todd Fischer*):

ORD. NO. 50-2022 - Mr. Hanek moved this ordinance to second reading.

RES. NO. 51-2022 - An emergency resolution authorizing the City Manager to enter into an agreement with Specialized Construction, Inc. for the 2022 Asphalt Road Program in the amount not to exceed \$589,761.50. - **1st Reading** (To be brought from Services, Utilities, Technology & Cable Committee, *Administration/Matt Jones*):

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

Tim Smith moved to adopt Resolution Number 51-2022, seconded by Anthony Capretta. 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. 52-2022 - An emergency resolution authorizing the City Manager and City Engineer to submit program year 2022 Community Development Block Grant applications for the Randall-Sheri-Rose Improvement Project and Old Presidential Resurfacing Project. - **1st Reading** (To be brought from Committee-of-the-Whole, *Administration/Matt Jones*):

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

Nicholas Hanek moved to adopt Resolution Number 52-2022, 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.

City Manager's Report Carl DeForest announced the Brunswick VFW Post 9520 and American Legion Post 234 will be hosting a Memorial Day program and parade on May 30 at the Brunswick Middle School on Pearl Road. Members of the community are invited to attend and commemorate those who have given their lives for this great nation.

There will be a community Shred Day on Saturday, June 4, from 8 am. to 11 a.m. and 1 p.m. to 4 p.m. This event will be hosted by the Brunswick Citizen Police Academy Alumni Association and the City of Brunswick. Documents can be brought to City Hall to be shredded. This is a free service. However, donations of non-perishable food items will be accepted for the Brunswick Food Pantry, as well as monetary donations

to support the All-Inclusive Playground. The playground will be built over the summer and is expected to open at Neura Park in September.

Administrative Departments There was none.

Open Forum Christopher Beale of 1860 Frost Circle came before Council. He presented pictures to Council of the resurfacing project that was done in Laurel Creek. He explained that the resurfacing project is an incomplete project and there are safety hazards. Mr. Beale asked that Council contact the contractor that was hired to do the project and hold them accountable. A similar project was done in other areas within the City and the project looked much more complete. Mr. Capretta asked the location of the area of concern. Mr. Beale clarified that it would be at the corner of Faulkner and Frost roads.

Mr. Hanek explained that Council has had discussions regarding this project and can talk to the residents further after the Council Meeting.

Elizabeth Baloun of 1852 Frost Circle came before Council. She stated that the residents of the Laurel Creek Development are not happy with the resurfacing that was done last fall. She said the job was not completed. She noted that her neighbors on Faulkner and Elcott watched the roadwork progression. According to them, the sealer sprayers were not working, so work was stopped. The construction crew then tried to complete the work with a handheld device. When this did not work, they left the job. The roads were left resembling a campground. Ms. Baloun has a newer car and the excessive rocks are kicking and dinging her car. The road conditions are causing excessive wounds to children riding bikes, scooters, and skates. The rocks are also on the lawns, which could be kicked up when mowing the lawn. She noted other roads that were sealed properly did not have excessive gravel. She said it is City Council's job to hold this company accountable to fulfill a warranty. She said they have been told that the conditions will improve with time; this is not going to be resolved with time.

Christine Anderson of 1936 Thorpe Circle and HOA President of the Laurel Creek Development addressed Council. She stated that the development is no longer uniform; some streets have asphalt and some are concrete. Ms. Anderson said the street conditions are deplorable. It is gravel; you cannot walk in the street without kicking up gravel. Some of the curbs are no longer there. She said the grates in the road that are meant to handle excess water are filling up with asphalt. The contractors left the covers for the grates and never came back for them. Children cannot ride their bikes, scooters, etc. in the development. She said the City should receive a refund for the work and the work should be redone. She said there are tons of children and adults that utilize the streets.

She informed Council that there is a house on the corner of Harris and Faulkner that, since the paving has taken place, has a continuous pond in the front. The standing water does not make it to the sewer. She said all of the residents she has spoken to are concerned about the road conditions and there are 147 houses in the development. Ms. Anderson asked what Council will be doing to resolve this problem. A street sweeper did come out, but it did not take care of the problem.

Mr. Hanek asked the residents to stay after the Council meeting to talk to him and the City Manager. He agreed that they were on point with the issues and the problem. He said that there is a problem that needs to be addressed. Mr. Hanek concurred that there were asphalt overlays in other neighborhoods that did not present a problem. He stated that going forward, the administration will need to look closely at both who is performing the work and inspecting it. He said that steps are being taken to address the problem.

Mr. Delsanter said he would like to see if the contractor's report reflects that they were on the job site and observing the processes and the finishing product. He expressed concern regarding the QCI oversight on this project.

Mr. Smith noted that his street was redone with an asphalt overlay as well. After a year, the street showed a lot of improvement. However, he does not feel his road was left in as bad of condition as the residents' roads in the Laurel Creek Development. He agreed that a follow-up with QCI would be a good idea.

Unfinished Business Mr. Smith said the Optimist Club had a very successful Fishing Derby. He thanked the Park and Recreation Department for all of their cooperation. There were over 70 children who participated in the event and he believes everyone caught at least one fish.

New Business Mr. Smith said that Bike Medina County will have several Slo Rolls over the summer. He said the rides are not fast and are approximately 7 miles in length. The rides will be throughout Medina County with two of them being in Brunswick. Mr. Smith will be leading the ride on June 30 and July 28. The ride on June 30 will be from Brunswick Lake to North Park and the one on July 28 will go from Brunswick Lake to Plum Creek. The new pathway that was built by the City and goes through Mooney Park and Plum Creek will be utilized. He asked residents to refer to the flyers left in the City Hall lobby or the Bike Medina County website for further information.

Consideration of a new liquor permit request from Federico Group Inc. DBA Wingz Sports Grill & Patio, at 1061 Pearl Road, Brunswick, OH 44212:

Mr. DeForest said that the administration has no objections to the liquor permit request from Federico Group Inc. DBA Wingz Sports Grill & Patio at 1061 Pearl Road.

Adjournment Nicholas Hanek moved to adjourn, 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.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 7:37 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Laura Timura

Clerk of Council

Mayor Ron Falconi

Adopted