

CITY OF BRUNSWICK, OHIO

MINUTES OF COUNCIL

Monday, December 18, 2023

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, Keith Kuczma, Joseph Delsanter, Tim Smith, Kristy Piper.

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

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

Correspondence There was none.

Approval of Regular Council Meeting Minutes dated December 11, 2023. Nicholas Hanek moved to approve the Regular Council Meeting Minutes dated December 11, 2023, as written, seconded by Brandon Lambert. Roll Call - Ayes - 6, Nicholas Hanek, Brandon Lambert, Keith Kuczma, Joseph Delsanter, Tim Smith, Kristy Piper. Nays - 0. Motion Carried.

Mayor's Report:

Proclamation in recognition of Chief Brian J. Ohlin's years of service to the City of Brunswick:

Mayor Falconi acknowledged that Chief Ohlin served the City admirably. He thanked him for his service to the City and assured him he would be missed. A proclamation was then presented to recognize Chief Ohlin's service. Chief Ohlin informed that he served the State of Ohio for almost 34 years. He was proud of those he served with, the high safety ratings, and the community partnerships that were maintained.

Proclamation in recognition of Annabelle Strauss' achievement in the NBA Math Hoops Global Championship:

Mayor Falconi noted that St. Ambrose once again demonstrated excellence in the community. He honored Annabelle Strauss who won the NBA Math Hoops Global Championship. Her teacher declared that Annabelle was 1 of 26 students out of 206,000 applicants globally to be chosen. The competition involved a math board game using statistics from NBA players and using all elements of math. She was then presented with a proclamation to honor her achievement.

Clerk of Council's Report Clerk of Council, Laura Timura, wished everyone a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

Council Committee Reports:

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

Mr. Lamber had no formal reports this evening.

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

Services, Utilities, Technology & Cable Committee Minutes dated December 11, 2023:

Tim Smith moved to approve the Services, Utilities, Technology & Cable Committee Minutes dated December 11, 2023, as written, seconded by Keith Kuczma. Roll Call - Ayes - 6, Nicholas Hanek, Brandon Lambert, Keith Kuczma, Joseph Delsanter, Tim Smith, Kristy Piper. Nays - 0. Motion Carried.

Finance Committee.....Mr. Hanek:

Mr. Hanek had no formal reports this evening.

Safety & Environment Committee.....Mr. Kuczma:

Mr. Kuczma had no formal reports this evening.

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

Planning & Zoning Committee Minutes dated December 11, 2023:

Joseph Delsanter moved to approve the Planning & Zoning Committee Minutes dated December 11, 2023, as written, seconded by Kristy Piper. Roll Call - Ayes - 6, Nicholas Hanek, Brandon Lambert, Keith Kuczma, Joseph Delsanter, Tim Smith, Kristy Piper. Nays - 0. Motion Carried.

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

Ad Hoc Committee for Youth Sports Minutes dated November 27, 2023, and Committee-of-the-Whole Minutes dated December 11, 2023:

Nicholas Hanek moved to approve the Ad Hoc Committee for Youth Sports Minutes dated November 27, 2023, and the Committee-of-the-Whole Minutes dated December 11, 2023, as written, seconded by Tim Smith. Roll Call - Ayes - 6, Nicholas Hanek, Brandon Lambert, Keith Kuczma, Joseph Delsanter, Tim Smith, Kristy Piper. Nays - 0. Motion Carried.

Petitions from the Public on Legislation There were none.

Reading of Legislation and Action on Legislation:

3rd Reading(s)

RES. NO. 102-2023 - An emergency resolution permitting the City Administration to sell, through public internet auctions, personal property, including motor vehicles acquired for the use of municipal officers and departments, and road machinery, equipment, tools, or supplies, which are not needed for public use, or are obsolete or unfit for the use for which it was acquired, for the year 2024. - **3rd Reading** (Committee-of-the-Whole, Administration/Carl DeForest):

Nicholas Hanek moved to adopt Resolution Number 102-2023, seconded by Brandon Lambert. Roll Call - Ayes - 6, Nicholas Hanek, Brandon Lambert, Keith Kuczma, Joseph Delsanter, Tim Smith, Kristy Piper. Nays - 0. Motion Carried.

ORD. NO. 103-2023 - An emergency ordinance providing for the issuance and sale of bonds in the maximum principal amount of \$12,000,000 to provide funds for the purpose of constructing, furnishing, equipping and otherwise improving a new fire station and preparing, equipping and otherwise improving its site. - **3rd Reading** (Finance Committee, *Administration/Todd Fischer*):

Nicholas Hanek moved to adopt Ordinance Number 103-2023, seconded by Joseph Delsanter. Roll Call - Ayes - 6, Nicholas Hanek, Brandon Lambert, Keith Kuczma, Joseph Delsanter, Tim Smith, Kristy Piper. Nays - 0. Motion Carried.

RES. NO. 104-2023 - A resolution authorizing the City Manager to enter into an agreement with TAC Computers for maintenance of various software in the Divisions of Police and Fire in an amount not to exceed \$35,070.51. - **3rd Reading** (Services, Utilities, Technology & Cable Committee, *Administration/Robert Marok*):

Tim Smith moved to adopt Resolution Number 104-2023, seconded by Keith Kuczma. Roll Call - Ayes - 6, Nicholas Hanek, Brandon Lambert, Keith Kuczma, Joseph Delsanter, Tim Smith, Kristy Piper. Nays - 0. Motion Carried.

2nd Reading(s)

1st Reading(s)

RES. NO. 112-2023 - A resolution commending Chief Brian J. Ohlin for his years of service to the City of Brunswick. - **1st Reading** (To be brought from Committee of the Whole, *Council/Nicholas Hanek*):

Nicholas Hanek moved to suspend the rules, seconded by Brandon Lambert. Roll Call - Ayes - 6, Nicholas Hanek, Brandon Lambert, Keith Kuczma, Joseph Delsanter, Tim Smith, Kristy Piper. Nays - 0. Motion Carried.

Nicholas Hanek moved to adopt Resolution Number 112-2023, seconded by Joseph Delsanter. Roll Call - Ayes - 6, Nicholas Hanek, Brandon Lambert, Keith Kuczma, Joseph Delsanter, Tim Smith, Kristy Piper. Nays - 0. Motion Carried.

ORD. NO. 113-2023 - An emergency ordinance establishing a temporary moratorium on the issuance of building permits and/or certificates of occupancy for any building, structure, use, or change of use that would enable the cultivation, processing or retail sale of recreational marijuana to allow the City Administration, Council and Planning Commission an opportunity to review applicable law and to consider possible amendments to the Brunswick Zoning Code. - **1st Reading** (To be brought from Planning & Zoning Committee, *Administration/Grant Aungst*):

Joseph Delsanter moved to suspend the rules seconded by Kristy Piper. Roll Call - Ayes - 6, Nicholas Hanek, Brandon Lambert, Keith Kuczma, Joseph Delsanter, Tim Smith, Kristy Piper. Nays - 0. Motion Carried.

Joseph Delsanter moved to adopt Ordinance Number 113-2023, seconded by Keith Kuczma. Roll Call - Ayes - 6, Nicholas Hanek, Brandon Lambert, Keith Kuczma, Joseph Delsanter, Tim Smith, Kristy Piper. Nays - 0. Motion Carried.

City Manager's Report Carl DeForest thanked Chief Ohlin for almost 3 decades of dedicated service to the community and the City of Brunswick. He mentioned that it was an honor to serve with him and wished him and his wife happiness and success in retirement. He concluded by wishing everyone a Happy Holiday, Merry Christmas, and a very prosperous 2024.

Open Forum There was none.

Unfinished Business Joseph Delsanter noted that it has been a pleasure having Chief Ohlin serve the City and keep the community safe. He thanked him for his years of service and wished him happy holidays.

New Business Tim Smith wished everyone a Merry Christmas and congratulated Chief Brian Ohlin on his retirement.

Mayor Falconi relayed that on December 27, 2023, at 6:30 p.m. there would be a swearing-in ceremony for Councilman Hanek, Abella, Lambert, and Kuczman. He wished everyone a very Merry Christmas and a healthy and prosperous 2024.

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

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 7:23 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,



Laura Timura
Clerk of Council



Mayor Ron Falconi

January 8, 2023

Adopted