

# CITY OF BRUNSWICK, OHIO

## MINUTES OF COUNCIL

Monday, March 25, 2024

**Prayer and Pledge of Allegiance** The regular meeting of Brunswick City Council was called to order by Mayor Ron Falconi at 7:00 p.m. at the Municipal Complex.

**Roll Call of Members showed the following Council Members present:** Nicholas Hanek, Michael Abella Jr., Keith Kuczma, Joseph Delsanter, Tim Smith, Kristy Piper.

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

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

**Correspondence** There was none.

**Approval of Regular Council Meeting Minutes dated March 11, 2024.** Nicholas Hanek moved to approve the Regular Council Meeting Minutes dated March 11, 2024, as written, seconded by Joseph Delsanter. Roll Call - Ayes - 6, Nicholas Hanek, Michael Abella Jr., Keith Kuczma, Joseph Delsanter, Tim Smith, Kristy Piper. Nays - 0. Motion Carried.

### **Mayor's Report:**

Mayor Falconi informed Council of his decision to appoint Grant Aungst to the Medina County Land Reutilization Corporation's Board of Directors.

*OMCA to present Certified Municipal Clerk (CMC) Designation to Laura Timura:*

Helen Dunlap, President of the Ohio Municipal Clerks Association, presented Laura Timura with the Certified Municipal Clerk Designation. She noted that there are approximately 100 clerks in the State of Ohio with the designation. Mrs. Timura noted that she was thankful for Council's support of continuing education.

*Certificates of Achievement in Recognition of the Arrow of Light: Cub Scout Pack 3517:*

Mayor Falconi commended Landon Arthur, Dexter Ebenger, Noah Hebb, Joseph Simon, Gavin Winzig, and Bennett Zula for their Arrow of Light achievement.

**Clerk of Council's Report** Mrs. Timura had no report.

### **Council Committee Reports:**

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

Economic Development Committee Minutes dated March 11, 2024:

Nicholas Hanek moved to approve the Economic Development Committee Minutes dated March 11, 2024, as written, seconded by Tim Smith. Roll Call - Ayes - 6, Nicholas Hanek, Michael Abella Jr., Keith Kuczma, Joseph Delsanter, Tim Smith, Kristy Piper. Nays - 0. Motion Carried.

*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. Kuczma:

Safety & Environment Committee Minutes dated March 11, 2024:

Keith Kuczma moved to approve the Safety & Environment Committee Minutes dated March 11, 2024, as written, seconded by Joseph Delsanter. Roll Call - Ayes - 6, Nicholas Hanek, Michael Abella Jr., Keith Kuczma, Joseph Delsanter, Tim Smith, Kristy Piper. Nays - 0. Motion Carried.

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

Planning & Zoning Committee Minutes dated March 11, 2024:

Joseph Delsanter moved to approve the Planning & Zoning Committee Minutes dated March 11, 2024, as written, seconded by Keith Kuczma. Roll Call - Ayes - 6, Nicholas Hanek, Michael Abella Jr., Keith Kuczma, Joseph Delsanter, Tim Smith, Kristy Piper. Nays - 0. Motion Carried.

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

Parks, Recreation & Community Committee Minutes dated March 12, 2024:

Kristy Piper moved to approve the Parks, Recreation & Community Committee Minutes dated March 12, 2024, as written, seconded by Keith Kuczma. Roll Call - Ayes - 6, Nicholas Hanek, Michael Abella Jr., Keith Kuczma, Joseph Delsanter, Tim Smith, Kristy Piper. Nays - 0. Motion Carried.

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

Mr. Abella had no formal reports this evening.

#### **Other Committees, Boards and Commissions**

Committee-of-the-Whole Minutes dated March 11, 2024:

Nicholas Hanek moved to approve the Committee-of-the-Whole Minutes dated March 11, 2024, as written, seconded by Joseph Delsanter. Roll Call - Ayes - 6, Nicholas Hanek, Michael Abella Jr., 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. 23-2024** - An emergency resolution authorizing the City Manager to enter into an agreement with Snider Recreation, Inc. for the purchase and installation of playground equipment at Pumpkin Ridge Park in an amount not to exceed \$60,000.00. - **3rd Reading** (Parks, Recreation & Community Committee, Administration/Taylor Petkovsek):

Kristy Piper moved to adopt Resolution Number 23-2024, seconded by Keith Kuczma. Roll Call - Ayes - 6, Nicholas Hanek, Michael Abella Jr., Keith Kuczma, Joseph Delsanter, Tim Smith, Kristy Piper. Nays - 0. Motion Carried.

**2nd Reading(s)**

**ORD. NO. 11-2024** - An ordinance amending Section A(18) of the Design Guidelines for the Main Street District of the Brunswick Town Center Special Planning District No. 2 by imposing additional restrictions for vape and smoke shops. - **2nd Reading** (Planning & Zoning Committee, *Administration/Grant Aungst*):

Mr. Delsanter moved this ordinance to third reading.

**ORD. NO. 12-2024** - An ordinance amending Section A(3) of the Design Guidelines for the Southeast Neighborhood of the Brunswick Town Center Special Planning District No. 2 by imposing additional restrictions for vape and smoke shops. - **2nd Reading** (Planning & Zoning Committee, *Administration/Grant Aungst*):

Mr. Delsanter moved this ordinance to third reading.

**ORD. NO. 13-2024** - An ordinance amending Section 1256.04(m) of the Codified Ordinances of the City of Brunswick by imposing additional restrictions for vape and smoke shops. - **2nd Reading** (Planning & Zoning Committee, *Administration/Grant Aungst*):

Mr. Delsanter moved this ordinance to third reading.

**ORD. NO. 14-2024** - An ordinance amending Section A(9) of the Design Guidelines for the Northwest Neighborhood of the Brunswick Town Center Special Planning District No. 2 by imposing additional restrictions for vape and smoke shops. - **2nd Reading** (Planning & Zoning Committee, *Administration/Grant Aungst*):

Mr. Delsanter moved this ordinance to third reading.

**ORD. NO. 17-2024** - An ordinance establishing Sections 1242.02(32.1) and (84.1) of the Codified Ordinances of the City of Brunswick by defining "Electronic Smoking Device" and "tobacco products". - **2nd Reading** (Planning & Zoning Committee, *Administration/Grant Aungst*):

Mr. Delsanter moved this ordinance to third reading.

**ORD. NO. 18-2024** - An ordinance establishing Section 1274.17 of the Codified Ordinances of the City of Brunswick by providing additional conditional use standards for vape and smoke shops. - **2nd Reading** (Planning & Zoning Committee, *Administration/Grant Aungst*):

Mr. Delsanter moved this ordinance to third reading.

**ORD. NO. 19-2024** - An ordinance amending Section 1242.02(94) of the Codified Ordinances of the City of Brunswick by updating the definition of vape and smoke shops. - **2nd Reading** (Planning & Zoning Committee, *Administration/Grant Aungst*):

Mr. Delsanter moved this ordinance to third reading.

**ORD. NO. 25-2024** - An ordinance rezoning the 5.6140-acre parcel of real property located at 1406 Congressional Avenue and further identified as PPN 003-18C-01-080 from the R-M Medium Density Residential District to the R-L Low Density Residential District. - **2nd Reading** (Planning & Zoning Committee, Administration/Grant Aungst):

Mr. Delsanter moved this ordinance to third reading.

**1st Reading(s)**

**RES. NO. 26-2024** - An emergency resolution authorizing the City Manager to execute all necessary documents to accept the 2024 Energized Community Grant from NOPEC in the amount of \$80,991.00. - **1st Reading** (To be brought from Economic Development Committee, Administration/Grant Aungst):

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

Nicholas Hanek moved to adopt Resolution Number 26-2024, seconded by Keith Kuczma. Roll Call - Ayes - 6, Nicholas Hanek, Michael Abella Jr., Keith Kuczma, Joseph Delsanter, Tim Smith, Kristy Piper. Nays - 0. Motion Carried.

**RES. NO. 27-2024** - An emergency resolution authorizing the City Manager to enter into a three (3) year agreement with Total Performance Service Inc. for the provision of vehicle maintenance for the Division of Police per submitted bid prices. - **1st Reading** (To be brought from Safety & Environment Committee, Administration/Robert Safran):

Mr. Kuczma moved this resolution to second reading.

**RES. NO. 28-2024** - An emergency resolution appointing City of Brunswick Community & Economic Development Director Grant Aungst to the Medina County Land Reutilization Corporation's Board of Directors. - **1st Reading** (To be brought from Economic Development Committee, Administration/Grant Aungst):

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

Nicholas Hanek moved to adopt Resolution Number 28-2024, seconded by Kristy Piper. Roll Call - Ayes - 6, Nicholas Hanek, Michael Abella Jr., Keith Kuczma, Joseph Delsanter, Tim Smith, Kristy Piper. Nays - 0. Motion Carried.

**RES. NO. 29-2024** - A resolution authorizing the City Manager to enter into a service agreement with Flock Safety for the provision of ten (10) safety cameras in the City in an amount not to exceed \$30,000.00. - **1st Reading** (To be brought from Safety & Environment Committee, Administration/Robert Safran):

Mr. Kuczma moved this resolution to second reading.

**City Manager's Report** Mr. DeForest reminded that the Senior Fair will be held at the Recreation Center on Wednesday, March 27, from 9:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.

Brunswick City Hall will be closed on Friday, March 29 in observance of Good Friday.

The City Income Tax Office will be open for in-person help with residents' taxes on Saturday, April 6, from 9 a.m. to 12 p.m. and Saturday, April 13, from 9 a.m. to 12 p.m.

**Open Forum** Mickie Petrenko (3771 Magnolia Drive) relayed that she referred to the Brunswick Facebook page for activities related to the Total Eclipse on April 8. She then shared multiple places that would be holding celebrations and activities. Some places of interest include: Ignite Brewery, Hope Church, Grace Baptist Church, Majestic Meadows, and Medina Recreation Center.

Nancy Frognowski (465 Pembroke Cove) expressed concerns pertaining to a gas leak on her street. She explained that she had called the Fire Department who were unable to identify a problem and referred her to the gas company. The gas company informed her that there was a gas leak, and it could take 18–24 months before it would be fixed. Ms. Frognowski asked if the City Council could help her with the matter.

She had heard on Facebook that a new development along with shops would be built on Pearl Road. Ms. Frognowski asked if the Council referred to the Facebook page and reviewed the comments. She noted that there were a ton of comments that she felt provided good feedback related to the project.

**Unfinished Business** There was none.

**New Business**

Consideration of a new liquor permit request for Raam LLC, DBA Fat Bob Pizza at 1739 Pearl Road, Brunswick, OH 44212:

Mr. DeForest noted there were no objections from the Administration.

Mr. Kuczma revealed that next Monday is Dyngus Day for all Polish residents. The day is celebrated with water fights and with whipping of pussy willows. This joyous event was opened back up to the public and will take place on Detroit Avenue.

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

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 7:25 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,



Laura Timura, CMC  
Clerk of Council



Mayor Ron Falconi

April 8, 2024

Adopted