

CITY OF BRUNSWICK, OHIO

MINUTES OF COUNCIL

Monday, February 24, 2025

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, Brandon Lambert, Michael Abella Jr., Keith Kuczma, Joseph Delsanter, Tim Smith, Kristy Piper.

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

Regular Council Meeting Minutes dated February 10, 2025:

Nicholas Hanek moved to approve the Regular Council Meeting Minutes dated February 10, 2025, as written, seconded by Joseph Delsanter. Roll Call - Ayes - 7, Nicholas Hanek, Brandon Lambert, Michael Abella Jr., Keith Kuczma, Joseph Delsanter, Tim Smith, Kristy Piper. Nays - 0. Motion Carried.

Mayor's Report:

Mayor Falconi recommended the reappointment of Stanley Socha and Vincent Carl to the Board of Zoning Appeals and the appointment of Nate Witsaman to the Financial Audit, Review & Advisory Committee. If Council has any questions regarding these recommendations, they can contact the Mayor.

Motion to appoint James Evanoff Jr. to the Financial Audit, Review & Advisory Committee:

Joseph Delsanter moved to appoint James Evanoff Jr. to the Financial Audit, Review & Advisory Committee, seconded by Nicholas Hanek. Roll Call - Ayes - 7, Nicholas Hanek, Brandon Lambert, Michael Abella Jr., Keith Kuczma, Joseph Delsanter, Tim Smith, Kristy Piper. Nays - 0. Motion Carried.

Motion to appoint James Evanoff Jr. to the Medina County Community Improvement Board to fulfill an unexpired term expiring March 7, 2025, and to fulfill a three-year term expiring March 7, 2028:

Joseph Delsanter moved to appoint James Evanoff Jr. to the Medina County Community Improvement Board to fulfill an unexpired term expiring March 7, 2025, and to fulfill a three-year term expiring March 7, 2028, seconded by Kristy Piper. Roll Call - Ayes - 7, Nicholas Hanek, Brandon Lambert, Michael Abella Jr., Keith Kuczma, Joseph Delsanter, Tim Smith, Kristy Piper. Nays - 0. Motion Carried.

Motion to reappoint Nancy Zelei and Carl DeForest to the Medina County Community Improvement Board to fulfill a three-year term expiring March 7, 2028:

Nicholas Hanek moved to reappoint Nancy Zelei and Carl DeForest to the Medina County Community Improvement Board to fulfill a three-year term expiring March 7, 2028, seconded by Tim Smith. Roll Call -

Ayes - 7, Nicholas Hanek, Brandon Lambert, Michael Abella Jr., Keith Kuczma, Joseph Delsanter, Tim Smith, Kristy Piper. Nays - 0. Motion Carried

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

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. Kuczma:

Safety & Environment Meeting Minutes dated February 10, 2025:

Keith Kuczma moved to approve the Safety & Environment Committee Meeting Minutes dated February 10, 2025, as written, seconded by Kristy Piper. Roll Call - Ayes - 7, Nicholas Hanek, Brandon Lambert, Michael Abella Jr., Keith Kuczma, Joseph Delsanter, Tim Smith, Kristy Piper. Nays - 0. Motion Carried.

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

Planning & Zoning Committee Meeting Minutes dated February 10, 2025:

Joseph Delsanter moved to approve the Planning & Zoning Committee Meeting Minutes dated February 10, 2025, as written, seconded by Keith Kuczma. Roll Call - Ayes - 7, Nicholas Hanek, Brandon Lambert, 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 Meeting Minutes dated February 11, 2025:

Kristy Piper moved to approve the Parks, Recreation & Community Committee Meeting Minutes dated February 11, 2025, seconded by Tim Smith. Roll Call - Ayes - 7, Nicholas Hanek, Brandon Lambert, 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 Meeting Minutes dated February 10, 2025:

Nicholas Hanek moved to approve the Committee-of-the-Whole Meeting Minutes dated February 10, 2025, as written, seconded by Keith Kuczma. Roll Call - Ayes - 7, Nicholas Hanek, Brandon Lambert, Michael Abella Jr., Keith Kuczma, Joseph Delsanter, Tim Smith, Kristy Piper. Nays - 0. Motion Carried.

Petitions from the Public on Legislation

Reading of Legislation and Action on Legislation:

3rd Reading(s)

RES. NO. 7-2025 - A resolution authorizing the City Manager to execute all necessary documents to accept the 2025 Energized Community Grant from NOPEC in the amount of \$82,202.00. - **3rd Reading** (Committee-of-the-Whole, *Administration/Grant Aungst*):

Nicholas Hanek moved to adopt Resolution Number 7-2025, seconded by Keith Kuczma. Roll Call - Ayes - 7, Nicholas Hanek, Brandon Lambert, Michael Abella Jr., Keith Kuczma, Joseph Delsanter, Tim Smith, Kristy Piper. Nays - 0. Motion Carried.

2nd Reading(s)

ORD. NO. 12-2025 - An ordinance establishing the New Brunswick Development Special Planning District No. 9 Conceptual Development Plan and amending the Zoning Map by designating PPNs 003-18C-02-072, 003-18C-02-081, 003-18C-02-082, 003-18C-02-089, 003-18C-02-011, and 003-18C-02-108 consisting of approximately 28.2141 total acres as SPD-9. - **2nd Reading** (Planning & Zoning Committee, *Administration/Grant Aungst*):

Mr. Delsanter moved this ordinance to third reading.

ORD. NO. 15-2025 - An ordinance accepting the Collective Bargaining Agreement with the International Brotherhood of Teamsters Local 52 (Division of Finance, Parks and Recreation, Permits and Inspections and Clerical Employees of the Division of Fire) for a period of three (3) years effective January 1, 2025 through December 31, 2027. - **2nd Reading** (Committee-of-the-Whole, *Administration/Carl DeForest*):

Mr. Hanek moved this ordinance to third reading.

ORD. NO. 16-2025 - An ordinance accepting the Collective Bargaining Agreement with the International Brotherhood of Teamsters Local 52 (Division of Streets) for a period of three (3) years effective January 1, 2025 through December 31, 2027. - **2nd Reading** (Committee-of-the-Whole, *Administration/Carl DeForest*):

Mr. Hanek moved this ordinance to third reading.

ORD. NO. 17-2025 - An ordinance accepting the Collective Bargaining Agreement with the International Association of Firefighters Local 3568 for a period of three (3) years effective January 1, 2025 through December 31, 2027. - **2nd Reading** (Committee-of-the-Whole, *Administration/Carl DeForest*):

Mr. Hanek moved this ordinance to third reading.

ORD. NO. 18-2025 - An ordinance accepting the Collective Bargaining Agreement with the Fraternal Order of Police Lodge #15 (Communication Specialists) for a period of three (3) years effective January 1, 2025 through December 31, 2027. - **2nd Reading** (Committee-of-the-Whole, *Administration/Carl DeForest*):

Mr. Hanek moved this ordinance to third reading.

ORD. NO. 19-2025 - An ordinance accepting the Collective Bargaining Agreement with the Fraternal Order of Police Lodge #15 (Patrol Officers) for a period of three (3) years effective January 1, 2025 through December 31, 2027. - **2nd Reading** (Committee-of-the-Whole, *Administration/Carl DeForest*):

Mr. Hanek moved this ordinance to third reading.

ORD. NO. 20-2025 - An ordinance accepting the Collective Bargaining Agreement with the Fraternal Order of Police Lodge #15 (Sergeants) for a period of three (3) years effective January 1, 2025 through December 31, 2027. - **2nd Reading** (Committee-of-the-Whole, *Administration/Carl DeForest*):

Mr. Hanek moved this ordinance to third reading.

1st Reading(s)

ORD. NO. 22-2025 - An ordinance rezoning the northerly portion of the 0.8183-acre parcel of real property located at 3695 Center Road and further identified as PPN 003-18B-44-118 from the R-L Low Density Residential District to the C-G General Commercial District. - **1st Reading** (To be brought from Planning & Zoning Committee, *Administration/Grant Aungst*):

Mr. Delsanter moved this ordinance to second reading.

ORD. NO. 23-2025 - An ordinance authorizing the City Manager to forward a petition to conform boundaries to the Medina County Commissioner's Office for the purpose of adjusting the city boundary lines to include an annexation into the City of Brunswick of PPN 003-18A-07-159. - **1st Reading** (To be brought from Committee-of-the-Whole, *Administration/Dennis Nevar*):

Mr. Hanek moved this ordinance to second reading.

RES. NO. 24-2025 - An emergency resolution authorizing the City Manager to enter into Partnership Agreement with Medina County, the City of Medina and the City of Wadsworth for the submission of a Community Housing Impact and Preservation Program Grant Application for Program Year 2025. - **1st Reading** (To be brought from Economic Development Committee, *Administration/Grant Aungst*):

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

Brandon Lambert moved to adopt Resolution Number 24-2025, seconded by Tim Smith. Roll Call - Ayes - 7, Nicholas Hanek, Brandon Lambert, Michael Abella Jr., Keith Kuczma, Joseph Delsanter, Tim Smith, Kristy Piper. Nays - 0. Motion Carried.

City Manager's Report Mr. DeForest relayed that the E-file and E-pay income tax portals are now open and can be accessed via the City's website, www.brunswick.oh.us. Appointments are not necessary for income tax assistance. The Income Tax Department is available between 8:30 a.m. and 5 p.m. He stated that the closer it is to April 15, the longer the waiting time will be. Mr. DeForest reminded that American flags can be retired in a white box with a flag located by the Mayor's Court. These flags are properly collected and destroyed by members of the VFW and American Legion during a ceremony held in late spring.

Open Forum There was none.

Unfinished Business There was none.

New Business Mrs. Piper mentioned that Woven with Promise will hold a prom dress giveaway on February 28 and March 1. Chardon Polka Band will be coming to the Recreation Center on March 2. The pool party was rescheduled for March 14 from 4-6 p.m. This event will include rubber ducks and Mrs. Piper will be the

DJ. Funkology's disco party was rescheduled for March 16. Mr. Smith asked what time the Polka Band and Funkology would occur. Mr. Kuczma confirmed that it was 2-4 p.m.

Adjournment Nicholas Hanek moved to adjourn, seconded by Keith Kuczma. Roll Call - Ayes - 7, Nicholas Hanek, Brandon Lambert, Michael Abella Jr., Keith Kuczma, Joseph Delsanter, Tim Smith, Kristy Piper. Nays - 0. Motion Carried.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 7:14 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,



Laura Timura, CMC
Clerk of Council



Mayor Ron Falconi

March 10, 2025

Adopted