

## **CITY OF BRUNSWICK, OHIO**

### **MINUTES OF COUNCIL**

**Monday, March 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:** 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.

Joseph Delsanter moved to excuse Councilmen Nicholas Hanek and Brandon Lambert for just cause, seconded by Kristy Piper. Roll Call - Ayes - 5, Michael Abella Jr., Keith Kuczma, Joseph Delsanter, Tim Smith, Kristy Piper. Nays - 0. Motion Carried.

**Correspondence** There was none.

#### **Approval of Regular Council Meeting Minutes**

Regular Council Meeting Minutes dated March 10, 2025:

Joseph Delsanter moved to approve the Regular Council Meeting Minutes dated March 10, 2025, as written, seconded by Keith Kuczma. Roll Call - Ayes - 5, Michael Abella Jr., Keith Kuczma, Joseph Delsanter, Tim Smith, Kristy Piper. Nays - 0. Motion Carried.

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

Proclamations presented to Fire Lieutenants Matthew Payne and Guy Storch recognizing their service to the City:

Chief Glauner recognized the many contributions of Fire Lieutenants Matthew Payne and Guy Storch. Mayor Falconi presented them with proclamations in recognition of their service to the City. He thanked them for all they had done for the Division of Fire and for the community. The Lieutenants thanked the City for a great career and expressed thanks to their families.

Mr. Delsanter expressed gratitude to the lieutenants for saving lives and being leaders in the community. He stated that it had been wonderful knowing them.

Proclamation presented to 2024 Firefighter of the Year Paul Morselli:

Chief Glauner recognized Paul Morselli as a respected leader and an unsung, humble hero. He detailed Mr. Morselli's numerous accomplishments as a senior member of the Division of Fire. Mayor Falconi relayed that both he and the people of Brunswick appreciate him for all the good work he has done for the Division of Fire and throughout the City. Mayor Falconi presented Mr. Morselli with a proclamation in his honor. Mr. Morselli thanked the committee for choosing him and admitted that this is the third time he had been chosen for this honor. He thanked the City of Brunswick for the opportunity and gave thanks to his family and the citizens of Brunswick.

**Proclamation in honor of Tri-C Day:**

Mayor Falconi presented a proclamation to the Brunswick Campus Director of Tri-C, Elizabeth Zeszotek. He mentioned that he was very happy that Tri-C is in the community. Ms. Zeszotek thanked Council and the Mayor for the opportunity to attend the meeting and for their support. She explained that Tri-C Day is a way to bring students, staff, faculty, and alumni together to help support scholarships for students. She informed that Tri-C supports a large population of students who otherwise may not be able to afford tuition to advance themselves academically.

Motion to appoint Lorenda Thomas to the Medina County Advisory Council to fulfill a term expiring March 31, 2028.:

Joseph Delsanter moved to appoint Lorenda Thomas to the Medina County Advisory Council to fulfill a term expiring March 31, 2028, seconded by Kristy Piper. Roll Call - Ayes - 5, 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 Committee Meeting Minutes dated March 10, 2025:**

Keith Kuczma moved to approve the Safety & Environment Committee Meeting Minutes dated March 10, 2025, as written, seconded by Joseph Delsanter. Roll Call - Ayes - 5, Michael Abella Jr., Keith Kuczma, Joseph Delsanter, Tim Smith, Kristy Piper. Nays - 0. Motion Carried.

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

Mr. Delsanter had no formal reports this evening.

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

**Parks, Recreation & Community Committee Meeting Minutes dated March 11, 2025:**

Kristy Piper moved to approve the Parks, Recreation & Community Committee Meeting Minutes dated March 11, 2025, as written, seconded by Tim Smith. Roll Call - Ayes - 5, 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 March 10, 2025:

Joseph Delsanter moved to approve the Committee-of-the-Whole Meeting Minutes dated March 10, 2025, as written, seconded by Keith Kuczma. Roll Call - Ayes - 5, 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)**

**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. - **3rd Reading** (Planning & Zoning Committee, Administration/Grant Aungst):

Joseph Delsanter moved to adopt Ordinance Number 22-2025, seconded by Keith Kuczma. Roll Call - Ayes - 5, Michael Abella Jr., Keith Kuczma, Joseph Delsanter, Tim Smith, Kristy Piper. Nays - 0. Motion Carried.

**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. - **3rd Reading** (Committee-of-the-Whole, Administration/Dennis Nevar):

Joseph Delsanter moved to adopt Ordinance Number 23-2025, seconded by Tim Smith. Roll Call - Ayes - 5, Michael Abella Jr., Keith Kuczma, Joseph Delsanter, Tim Smith, Kristy Piper. Nays - 0. Motion Carried.

**2nd Reading(s)**

**ORD. NO. 26-2025** - An emergency ordinance amending Section 222.04 of the City of Brunswick Codified Ordinances. - **2nd Reading** (Safety & Environment Committee, Administration/Carl DeForest):

Mr. Kuczma moved this ordinance to third reading.

**ORD. NO. 27-2025** - An emergency ordinance adopting the updated City of Brunswick Public Records Policy. - **2nd Reading** (Safety & Environment Committee, Administration/Carl DeForest):

Mr. Kuczma moved this ordinance to third reading.

**1st Reading(s)**

**RES. NO. 30-2025** - A resolution commending Fire Lieutenant Matthew Payne for his years of service to the City of Brunswick. - **1st Reading** (To be brought from Committee-of-the-Whole, Council/Nicholas Hanek):

Joseph Delsanter moved to adopt Resolution Number 30-2025, seconded by Tim Smith. Roll Call - Ayes - 5, Michael Abella Jr., Keith Kuczma, Joseph Delsanter, Tim Smith, Kristy Piper. Nays - 0. Motion Carried.

**RES. NO. 31-2025** - A resolution commending Fire Lieutenant Guy Storch for his years of service to the City of Brunswick. - **1st Reading** (To be brought from Committee-of-the-Whole, Council/Nicholas Hanek):

Joseph Delsanter moved to adopt Resolution Number 31-2025, seconded by Keith Kuczma. Roll Call - Ayes - 5, Michael Abella Jr., Keith Kuczma, Joseph Delsanter, Tim Smith, Kristy Piper. Nays - 0. Motion Carried.

**RES. NO. 32-2025** - An emergency resolution authorizing the City Manager to enter into an agreement with Specialized Construction Inc. for the 2025 Asphalt Road Program Project in an amount not to exceed \$1,375,060.00. - **1st Reading** (To be brought from Services, Utilities, Technology & Cable Committee, Administration/Jenny Zoldak):

Mr. Smith moved this resolution to second reading.

**RES. NO. 33-2025** - An emergency resolution urging Ohio Governor Mike DeWine to sign Am. Sub. H.B. No. 54 into law. - **1st Reading** (To be brought from Committee-of-the-Whole, Council/Nicholas Hanek):

Mr. Delsanter moved this resolution to second reading.

**City Manager's Report** Mr. DeForest reminded that the senior expo would be this Wednesday, March 26, from 9:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. The Tax Office has set their Saturday hours as Saturday, April 5, from 9 a.m. to 12 p.m. and Saturday, April 12, from 9 a.m. to 12 p.m.

**Open Forum** There was none.

**Unfinished Business** Mr. Delsanter thanked Tri-C for the gift of spices. He felt that Tri-C was a wonderful entity of education in the community. Mr. Delsanter expressed that everyone was grateful. He mentioned that he was aware that a lot of secondary education opportunities were diminishing. It is his hope that Tri-C's presence will remain strong, growing, and continue to contribute to the minds and careers of people in the region.

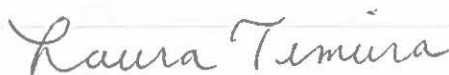
**New Business** Mr. Smith announced that the Oaks Family Care Center would be presenting Comedy Night with Shaun Reynolds. Tickets would be \$35 per person or \$60 per pair. The event would occur April 4 at Hope Church. Doors will open at 6:30 p.m. with the show commencing at 7 p.m. Tickets can be purchased by mailing a check to the Oaks Family Care Center or by using the QR code online. This would be their annual fundraiser.

Mr. Delsanter divulged that there would be a Special Council Meeting occurring on Wednesday, March 26 at 6:30 p.m. for the purpose of moving forward on emergency and time-sensitive legislation.

**Adjournment** Joseph Delsanter moved to adjourn, seconded by Keith Kuczma. Roll Call - Ayes - 5, Michael Abella Jr., Keith Kuczma, Joseph Delsanter, Tim Smith, Kristy Piper. Nays - 0. Motion Carried.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 7:38 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,



Laura Timura, CMC  
Clerk of Council

  
Mayor Ron Falconi

April 14, 2025

Adopted