

CIRCLEVILLE CITY COUNCIL MINUTES 4.2.2024

Circleville City Council convened in City Council Chambers Tuesday, April 2, 2024, at 7:00 p.m. Roll call, Council members present: President Barry Keller; Sheri Theis, At Large; Jeff Hallinin, First Ward; John Moats, Second Ward; Zack Brooks, Third Ward; Tom Duvall, Fourth Ward. Clerk Linda Chancey. Absent: Katie Logan Hedges and Tom Klitzka, Invited guests Mayor Michelle Blanton, Law Director Kendra Kinney, and City Auditor Mark Bidwell.

President Keller called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited, and invocation was given by all. Duvall motioned to approve City Council 3.19.24 minutes. Moats seconded. Motion carried.

REPORTS FROM COUNCIL MEMBERS

Zack Brooks read a statement regarding the recent development for the safety forces (police dept.) and the confusion as to council members are not informed.

Duvall announced a Service Mtg March 9th at 6:30 p.m.

Hallinin announced a Safety Mtg. March 9th at 6:00 p.m.

Keller announced a New Community Authority Mtg April 16th at 6:00 p.m. purpose administer oath to new council members, elected officer and consider or act on any new business.

Also, on same night a recommendation from law director office to council members for a voice vote if they want further negotiations regarding the cell tower on the located on the City property at East Franklin St.

REPORTS FROM CITY OFFICIALS.

The Law Director's Office is working on an initiative for a mental health plan with county wide agencies for safety forces. Also, she commented on Brooks statement and the frustration of many emails and investigations within the City and there is a no comment on this issue.

The Mayor reported she attended the Sofidel groundbreaking expansion to their plant. Sofidel wants to be more community engagement and more involved in the community, met with EMA director and Homeland Security to discuss security of city buildings and apply for federal dollars.

Crosswalk for Good Friday with several churches, Safety Forces had a meet and greet with the mayor and city employees, met with new YMCA Director Wayne Linthicum, met with London mayor regarding safety concerns, increase in media from administration. The schools are closing because of the Eclipse and the increase in traffic through the City. And reviewing the 911 plan for approval.

The Mayor proclaimed today is National Parkinson Disease aware month, the Mayor read a proclamation.

NO QUESTIONS OR ANSWERS.

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION.

Wanda Gay, 8745 Rt. 159, Chillicothe, read a statement regarding the working with the Law Director's Office and the recent increase in activities with the safety forces for public records request and navigating through all of it.

COMMUNICATIONS

Letter from Ohio Division Of Liquor Control permit # 5299550 explaining a stock transfer for DBA Los Mariachis, 23633 US 23 & Patio Circleville, OH.

Judges Lisa Peters submitted her office's 2023 Annual Report for the Municipal Court.

Hallinin motioned to accept the correspondence and place them on file. Brooks seconded. All Yeas.

ORDINANCES FOR FIRST READING

An Ordinance Approving The First Amendment To The Agreement To Create The City Of Circleville-Pickaway Township Joint Economic Development District To Authorize The Redistribution Of The JEDD Income Tax Revenue And Declaring An Emergency.

MOTION-ROLL CALL -VOTE.

Hallinin motioned to hold for a second reading. Duvall seconded. Roll call. (5 Yeas- 0 Nays). Motion carried. Ordinance will be held until April 16th for a seconded reading.

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UNDER NEW BUSINESS

Hallinin motioned to excuse Katie Logan Hedges from tonight's Council meeting. Brooks seconded. All Yeas.

Theis motioned to excuse Tom Klitzka from tonight's Council meeting. Brooks seconded. All Yeas.

Theis motioned to adjourn into executive session for the purpose of employment or public person or official per ORC 121.22 G (1). Also, to prepare for negotiations regarding public employee and compensation or other terms of condition of employment Per ORC 121.22 G (4).

Included in the executive session are all Administration, Council Members, Council President, Law Director, and City Auditor. Hallinin seconded. Roll call. (5 Yeas – 0 Nays). Motion carried.

Hallinin motioned to adjourn from executive session with no business conducted into regular City Council meeting. Theis seconded. All Yeas.

Hallinin motioned to adjourn the regular City Council meeting. Theis seconded. All Yeas. The Council meeting adjourned at 8:41 p.m.

Respectfully submitted by Linda Chancey, Clerk