

CIRCLEVILLE CITY COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES 4/15/2025

Circleville City Council convened in Council Chambers Thursday, April 15, 2025, at 7:00 p.m. Council members present at Roll call: President Barry Keller, At Large Members Katie Logan-Hedges, Sheri Theis, and Tom Klitzka, First Ward Jeff Hallinin, Second Ward John Moats, Third Ward Audrey Lukasak, and Clerks Melissa Burns and Sarah Kolesar. Excused absent member: Fourth Ward Tom Duvall. Invited guests present: Mayor Michelle Blanton, Law Director Kendra Kinney, and Auditor Mark Bidwell.

President Keller called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited, and invocation was given by all.

Hedges motioned to approve City Council minutes from April 1, 2025. Theis seconded. Motion carried.
Lukasak motioned to approve City Council minutes from April 3, 2025. Moats seconded. Motion carried.

REPORTS FROM COUNCIL MEMBERS:

Hedges announced she will be having a Finance Committee meeting on April 29, 2025, at 5:30 p.m.
Theis announced she has one Ordinance on the Agenda she will discuss. Theis also stated she will have a Strategic Planning Committee meeting on May 6, 2025, at 5:30 p.m.
Klitzka announced he has one Ordinance on the Agenda he will discuss. Klitzka stated he will have two Judicial Committee meetings on April 29, 2025, at 7:00 p.m. and May 13, 2025, at 6:00 p.m.
Lukasak announced that the Service Committee will have a meeting on April 29, 2025.

REPORTS FROM CITY OFFICIALS:

The Auditor announced today is the last day to file your taxes.
Mayor Blanton announced she went to a ribbon cutting ceremony at the Visitors Bureau to see their renovations.
Mayor Blanton stated she had another staff meeting today to discuss possible budget cuts for the City.

QUESTIONS OR ANSWERS TO ADMINISTRATION: None.

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION: Charles Estel of 233 Clark Drive, Circleville, Ohio 43113 spoke about possible traffic concerns from the ALTO development. Mr. Estel had concerns regarding open walking paths around retention ponds and increased traffic.

COMMUNICATIONS: None

ORDINANCES FOR FIRST READING:

a) AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR AND/OR DIRECTOR OF PUBLIC SERVICE TO APPLY FOR AND ACCEPT PEDESTRIAN & BICYCLE SPECIAL SOLICITATION FUNDS THROUGH THE OHIO DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

Discussion: Theis stated this Ordinance would allow the City to apply for grant funds to do a study on bicycle and pedestrian traffic. Hallinin added this grant does not require matching funds from the City.

MOTION-ROLL CALL -VOTE

Theis motioned to suspend the rules. Klitzka seconded. Roll call. (6 Yeas- 0 Nay). Rules are Suspended.

MOTION-ROLL CALL -VOTE

Theis motioned for passage of the Ordinance. Hedges seconded. Roll call. (6 Yeas- 0 Nay). The Ordinance is passed and assigned #04-36-2025.

b) AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND THE ZONING DISTRICT OF 0 LANCASTER PIKE (PARCEL #A01-0-001-00-250-03 AND PARCEL #A01-0-001-00-249-04) FROM AG (AGRICULTURAL) DISTRICT TO PUD (PLANNED UNIT DEVELOPMENT) DISTRICT.

Discussion: Klitzka stated this Ordinance only amends the zoning district from agriculture to planned unit development district.

MOTION-ROLL CALL -VOTE

Klitzka motioned to suspend the rules. Lukasak seconded. Roll call. (6 Yeas- 0 Nay). Rules are Suspended.

MOTION-ROLL CALL -VOTE

Klitzka motioned for passage of the Ordinance. Hallinin seconded. Roll call. (6Yeas- 0 Nay). The Ordinance is passed and assigned #04-37-2025.

NEW BUSINESS:

1. Keller noted the BZA applicant Nathaniel Ward will need to be interviewed by the Judicial Committee prior to being considered by all of Council.
2. Hallinin motioned to excuse Duvall from tonight's meeting. Moats seconded. Motion carried.

Hallinin motioned to adjourn the City Council meeting. Moats seconded. Council is adjourned at 7:18 p.m.

Minutes prepared by: Melissa Burns, Clerk.