

**MINUTES
REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING
VIRTUAL MEETING VIA ZOOM**

7:10 p.m.

May 18, 2021

Pursuant to Codified Ordinance Chapter 107 and ORC Section 121.22, notice of the following meeting was given on May 14, 2021.

ROLL CALL

Council Members Present: Garry, Kary, McNeill, Tomaselli, Woodin, Anderson, Carr

Others Present: Mayor Fiala, Assistant Law Director Abigail Bell, City Engineer Lannon, Service Director Palmisano, Fire Chief Ungar, Police Chief Schultz, Parks & Recreation Director Banker, Chief Building & Zoning Inspector Keller, Finance Director Bosley, Clerk Novak

The meeting was led in prayer by Councilman Carr.

Approval of Minutes

Motion made and seconded to approve the Regular Meeting Minutes of May 4, 2021.

Roll Call 7 yes
 0 no

Motion carried 7 to 0

STANDING AND REGULAR COMMITTEE REPORTS

Committee of Full, Mr. Carr – No report.

Economic Development Committee, Ms. McNeill – No report.

Environmental Planning Committee, Mr. Kary – No report.

Finance and Audit Committee, Mr. Tomaselli – Reported there was a committee meeting earlier this evening to discuss the 2021 capital budget. There is one item on the agenda.

Parks & Recreation Committee, Mr. Woodin – No report.

Personnel Committee, Mr. Anderson – No report.

Safety Committee, Mr. Tomaselli – No report.

Service Committee, Mr. Woodin – Reported there was a committee meeting this evening on the 2021 road program. There are two items on the agenda.

WPCC Committee, Mr. Anderson – No report.

Clean City Commission, Mr. Garry – No report.

Planning Commission, Mr. Kary – No report.

Shade Tree Commission, Ms. McNeill – Reported she was working with Mayor Fiala to disband the Shade Tree Commission merging it with Clean City. She will have funds to start a garden club that should be completed by June.

CORRESPONDENCE: No correspondence.

PUBLIC PORTION: No one spoke.

Motion made and seconded that all ordinances and resolutions be read by caption only and that as to legislation not containing an emergency clause, the rules requiring that ordinances and resolutions be read on three separate days be waived.

Roll Call 7 yes
 0 no

Motion carried 7 to 0

NEW BUSINESS:

ORDINANCE NO. 2021-43

An ordinance accepting temporary and permanent easements necessary to the Storm Outfall Repair Project.

Motion made and seconded to adopt Ordinance No. 2021-43.

Roll Call 7 yes
 0 no

Motion carried 7 to 0

RESOLUTION NO. 2021-44

A resolution authorizing the City Engineer to prepare plans and specifications and to advertise for bids for the 2021 Pavement Repair Program, and declaring an emergency.

Motion made and seconded that the rules of Council requiring three separate readings be suspended and that Resolution No. 2021-44 be declared an emergency measure.

Roll Call 7 yes
 0 no

Motion carried 7 to 0

Motion made and seconded to adopt Resolution No. 2021-44.

Roll Call 7 yes
 0 no

Motion carried 7 to 0

RESOLUTION NO. 2021-45

A resolution establishing a Special Revenue Fund titled, Public Art Fund, Fund No. 2700.

Motion made and seconded to adopt Resolution No. 2021-45.

Roll Call 7 yes
 0 no

Motion carried 7 to 0

MAYOR'S REPORT – Reported that two committees will be formed; one for the lakefront design and one for the amphitheater. He said the ward councilman will be included on the committees but will be asking for suggestions for other committee members. Regarding the lakefront committee, he suggested including all of Council on the committee. Mayor Fiala said design sketches, budgets and schedules will hopefully be ready by late summer for both projects.

DIRECTOR'S REPORTS

Assistant Law Director Bell – No report.

City Engineer Lannon – No report. Mr. Carr asked what the City can do to fix the curbs on Rt. 84 noting they are in bad shape. Service Director Palmisano said some curb work will be added to the paving project, but the City cannot afford to do all of it. He said the City is capable of doing asphalt curbing. A curb list has been created and the City is working with ODOT on what will be completed. Going forward, the City would like concrete curbs due to their longevity. He reminded Council the Service Department's summer help is severely under staffed; therefore, other services such as asphalt repairs, crack sealing, ditch work and cemetery work will be impacted. Mr. Woodin asked about the staffing levels in the Service department. Mr. Palmisano said he will have one opening in June, but is staffed completely except for summer help. There was discussion regarding the automatic speed signs located in the City; several were repaired recently and will be back up this week. Mr. Palmisano said the speed sign in Ridge Acres was relocated. He said the audible pedestrian signals for the crosswalks on Rt. 84 will be going in after the paving is done.

Service Director Palmisano – Reported the paving on Rt. 84 is on schedule. He received a notice from the Ohio Department of Transportation (ODOT) that paving on Lakeshore Boulevard will begin on June 1st conditions permitting. Flowers are due in tomorrow; hanging baskets will go up and flowers will be planted. He has enough summer help to do the watering.

Fire Chief Ungar – Reported the department finished up the last vaccination clinic this past Saturday at Lakeland Community College. He said the department was fortunate to help out with the recent clinics and was very proud of his personnel. He said overtime incurred due to the clinics will be reimbursed.

Police Chief Schultz – Reported there were several violent incidents that occurred over the weekend in the City. They were isolated but tied to continuing problems outside the county. He said his department and other agencies have worked to solve the crimes with several suspects identified and arrested.

Building Inspector Keller – No report.

Parks & Recreation Director Banker – No report. Ms. Banker gave an update on pool personnel. Mr. Anderson asked if the City could outsource lifeguards. Ms. Banker said she would look into it.

Finance Director Bosley – Regarding a question asked by Mr. Woodin during the Service Committee meeting, Ms. Bosley said about \$1.3 million was budgeted for Road and Bridge, however, there could be additional expenses due to the Rt. 84 project. Basically there will be \$1 million in that fund after this year’s road program. Regarding the capital discussion, Ms. Bosley said the big ticket items will be before Council prior to purchasing. Mr. Carr noted if the renewal levy fails, there will be no additional money for the fund.

COUNCILMEN:

Mr. Woodin – No report.

Mr. Kary – No report.

Mr. Tomaselli – No report.

Mr. Anderson – No report.

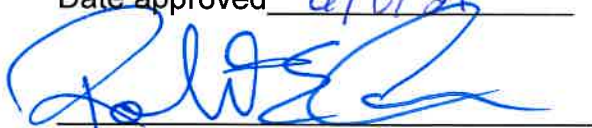
Mr. Garry – No report.

Ms. McNeill – Ms. McNeill asked if City Hall is open. Mayor Fiala said City Hall has been open for the last few weeks. He said as of June 2nd, restrictions are lifted and City Hall is back open for business. Mayor Fiala said people who have not been vaccinated will be encouraged to wear a mask. If you have been vaccinated, you will not be required to wear a mask.

Mr. Carr – Reported the June council meeting will be in person at City Hall. Details will follow on special precautions.

The Regular Council Meeting adjourned at 7:51 p.m.

Date approved 6/8/21



Robert E. Carr, President



Clerk of Council



Robert A. Fiala, Mayor