

**GALION CITY COUNCIL  
MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING  
January 11, 2022 at 7:00 p.m.**

The January 11, 2022 meeting of Galion City Council was called to order by President Pro Tempore Michael Richart. The Pledge of Allegiance was followed by an invocation from Pastor Rich Genzman of Peace Lutheran Church.

Clerk of Council Julie Bell called roll with the following members present: Mr. Bodkins, Ms. Durbin, Dr. Fellner, Mr. Ivy, Mr. Richart, and Ms. Zeger.

Mr. Ivy made the motion to excuse Mr. Watt. Ms. Zeger seconded. Motion carried 6-0.

Mr. Bodkins made the motion to excuse Ms. Ault. Ms. Zeger seconded. Motion carried 6-0.

The roll call for elected officials and officials required by Council Rules and the Ohio Revised Code to be present was called with the following present: Mayor O'Leary, Auditor Saterfield, Director of Law Palmer, Treasurer Sparks, and Safety-Service Director Ward.

President Pro Tempore Richart asked for a motion to approve the minutes from the December 28, 2021 regular meeting. Dr. Fellner made the motion to approve the minutes as presented. Mr. Bodkins seconded. Motion carried 6-0.

President Pro Tempore Richart asked for a motion to approve the minutes from the January 5, 2022 special meeting. Ms. Zeger made the motion to approve the minutes as presented. Ms. Durbin seconded. Motion carried 6-0.

President Pro Tempore Richart asked to add Ordinance 2022-2. Dr. Fellner made the motion to add Ordinance No. 2022-2 to the agenda. Mr. Bodkins seconded the motion. The roll call on the motion resulted as follows: Mr. Bodkins, yea, Ms. Durbin, yea, Dr. Fellner, yea, Mr. Ivy, yea, Mr. Richart, yea, Ms. Zeger, yea. Motion carried 6-0.

President Pro Tempore Richart asked to add Ordinance 2022-3. Mr. Ivy made the motion to add Ordinance No. 2022-3 to the agenda. Dr. Fellner seconded the motion. The roll call on the motion resulted as follows: Mr. Bodkins, yea, Ms. Durbin, yea, Dr. Fellner, yea, Mr. Ivy, yea, Mr. Richart, yea, Ms. Zeger, yea. Motion carried 6-0.

President Pro Tempore Richart asked to add Ordinance 2022-4. Dr. Fellner made the motion to add Ordinance No. 2022-4 to the agenda. Mr. Ivy seconded the motion. The roll call on the motion resulted as follows: Mr. Bodkins, yea, Ms. Durbin, yea, Dr. Fellner, yea, Mr. Ivy, yea, Mr. Richart, yea, Ms. Zeger, yea. Motion carried 6-0.

President Pro Tempore Richart asked to add Resolution 2022-1. Dr. Fellner made the motion to add Resolution No. 2022-1 to the agenda. Mr. Ivy seconded the motion. The roll call on the motion resulted as follows: Mr. Bodkins, yea, Ms. Durbin, yea, Dr. Fellner, yea, Mr. Ivy, yea, Mr. Richart, yea, Ms. Zeger, yea. Motion carried 6-0.

Dr. Fellner made the motion to approve the agenda as amended which was seconded by Mr. Ivy. Motion carried 6-0.

**Swearing In**

Firefighters Austin Heydinger and Kyle Johnson were sworn in.

**Citizen Participation**

Betsy Beaudet, Aspen Terrace, addressed council concerning a sewer issue in 4 homes located in Aspen Terrace. There was discussion about what has been done, the potential causes. Safety-Service Director Ward will get with the Maintenance Superintendent to discuss possible solutions for the issue.

## **Legislation**

### **Ordinance No. 2022-2 (First Reading)**

An Ordinance authorizing the Safety-Service Director to advertise for bids and to enter into contracts with the lowest and best bidders therefore, according to law, for the purchase of certain materials and equipment required and needed for the operation of the various departments of the City of Galion, Ohio and declaring an emergency.

Dr. Fellner made the motion to suspend the rules and proceed to the final reading on Ordinance No. 2022-2. Mr. Ivy seconded the motion. The roll call on the motion resulted as follows: Dr. Fellner, yea, Mr. Ivy, yea, Mr. Richart, yea, Ms. Zeger, yea, Mr. Bodkins, yea, Ms. Durbin, yea. Motion carried 6-0.

Mr. Ivy made the motion to pass Ordinance No. 2022-2. Mr. Bodkins seconded the motion. The roll call on Ordinance No. 2022-2 resulted as follows: Mr. Ivy, yea, Mr. Bodkins, yea, Ms. Durbin, yea, Dr. Fellner, yea, Mr. Richart, yea, Ms. Zeger, yea. Motion carried 6-0 and Ordinance No. 2022-2 passed for a Final reading.

### **Ordinance No. 2022-3 (First Reading)**

An Ordinance amending Ordinance No. 2021-114 (Permanent 2022 Appropriations) by including Health Department funds, correcting totals in Fund 603 and all fund totals, and declaring an emergency.

Dr. Fellner made the motion to amend Ordinance No. 2022-3 by striking “correcting totals in fund 603” and replacing it with “correcting totals in various funds”. Ms. Durbin seconded the motion. Roll call on the motion resulted as follows: Dr. Fellner, yea, Ms. Durbin, yea, Mr. Ivy, yea, Mr. Richart, yea, Ms. Zeger, yea, Mr. Bodkins, yea. Motion carried 6-0.

Mr. Ivy made the motion to suspend the rules and proceed to the final reading on amended Ordinance No. 2022-3. Ms. Zeger seconded the motion. The roll call on the motion resulted as follows: Mr. Ivy, yea, Ms. Zeger, yea, Mr. Bodkins, yea, Ms. Durbin, yea, Dr. Fellner, yea, Mr. Richart, yea. Motion carried 6-0.

Dr. Fellner made the motion to pass amended Ordinance No. 2022-3. Mr. Ivy seconded the motion. The roll call on Ordinance No. 2022-3 resulted as follows: Dr. Fellner, yea, Mr. Ivy, yea, Mr. Richart, yea, Ms. Zeger, yea, Mr. Bodkins, yea, Ms. Durbin, no. Motion carried 5-1 and Ordinance No. 2022-3 passed for a Final reading.

### **Ordinance No. 2022-4 (First Reading)**

An Ordinance amending Ordinance No. 2021-114 (Permanent 2022 Appropriations) by advancing and transferring funds in various funds and declaring an emergency.

Dr. Fellner made the motion to suspend the rules and proceed to the final reading on Ordinance No. 2022-4. Mr. Ivy seconded the motion. The roll call on the motion resulted as follows: Dr. Fellner, yea, Mr. Ivy, yea, Mr. Richart, yea, Ms. Zeger, yea, Mr. Bodkins, yea, Ms. Durbin, yea. Motion carried 6-0.

Mr. Ivy made the motion to pass Ordinance No. 2022-4. Mr. Bodkins seconded the motion. The roll call on Ordinance No. 2022-4 resulted as follows: Mr. Ivy, yea, Mr. Bodkins, yea, Ms. Durbin, yea, Dr. Fellner, yea, Mr. Richart, yea, Ms. Zeger, yea. Motion carried 6-0 and Ordinance No. 2022-4 passed for a Final reading.

### **Resolution No. 2022-1 (First Reading)**

A Resolution approving and ratifying the prior acts of the Department Heads and Safety-Service Director and approving “Then and Now” Certificates for said expenditures, and declaring an emergency.

Dr. Fellner made the motion to suspend the rules and proceed to the final reading on Resolution No. 2022-1. Mr. Bodkins seconded the motion. The roll call on the motion resulted as follows: Dr. Fellner, yea, Mr. Bodkins, yea, Ms. Durbin, yea, Mr. Ivy, yea, Mr. Richart, yea, Ms. Zeger, yea. Motion carried 6-0.

Mr. Ivy made the motion to pass Resolution No. 2022-1. Ms. Durbin seconded the motion. The roll call on Resolution No. 2022-1 resulted as follows: Mr. Ivy, yea, Ms. Durbin, yea, Dr. Fellner, yea, Mr. Richart, yea, Ms. Zeger, yea, Mr. Bodkins, yea. Motion carried 6-0 and Resolution No. 2022-1 passed for a Final reading.

Other Business

Parks and Recreation – January 12, 2022 at 7:00 p.m.  
Streets, Alleys, Trees, and Bridges – January 13, 2022 at 7:00 p.m.  
Economic Development and Airport – January 18, 2022 – 7:00 p.m.  
Finance – January 19, 2022 at 7:00 p.m.  
Police, Fire, and Health – January 20, 2022 at 7:00 p.m.

Auditor's Report

Revenue of \$628K (RITA taxes) so far in 2022. Expenses of \$364K – mainly payroll related. Cash position on 12/31 was \$18M. Last reconciliation completed was May of 2021. Still working on that as well as the budget input for 2022.

Treasurer's Report

Hope council appreciates Brian's professionalism.

Director of Law

Distributed annual report required by law. Reminded council to let him know if he was needed at meetings or legislation is required.

Mayor's Report

Keeps a daily eye on the SR 598 project.  
Two waterline issues: 1 by McDonald's that is a private issue and a valve by Wendy's. Ms. Zeger mentioned that there is a possible one by Burger King.  
Freese – City gets 7/8 with 3/8 to go to Parks  
Expressed concern over Gary Frankhouse leaving the Crawford Partnership and Galion's representation going forward.

President of Council

President Pro Tempore Richart expressed well wishes for Carl Watt to feel better and get back to his position.

There being no further business to discuss President Pro Tempore Richart asked for a motion to adjourn. Mr. Bodkins made the motion and Ms. Durbin seconded. The motion carried and the meeting adjourned at 8:33 p.m.

**Michael Richart, President of Council  
Pro Tempore**

**Julie L Bell, Clerk of Council**