

**GALION CITY COUNCIL
MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING
February 8, 2022 at 7:00 p.m.**

The February 8, 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 Ash Welch of St. Paul United Methodist Church.

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

Mr. Ivy made the motion to excuse Mr. Watt. Dr. Fellner seconded. Motion carried 7-0.

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 (7:20 p.m.), and Safety-Service Director Ward.

President Pro Tempore Richart asked for a motion to approve the minutes from the January 25, 2022 regular meeting. Mr. Bodkins made the motion to approve the minutes as presented. Ms. Durbin seconded. Motion carried 7-0.

President Pro Tempore Richart asked to add Resolution 2022-2. Dr. Fellner made the motion to add Resolution No. 2022-2 to the agenda. Mr. Ivy seconded the motion. The roll call on the motion resulted as follows: Ms. Ault, yea, Mr. Bodkins, yea, Ms. Durbin, yea, Dr. Fellner, yea, Mr. Ivy, yea, Mr. Richart, yea, Ms. Zeger, yea. Motion carried 7-0.

Dr. Fellner made the motion to approve the agenda as amended which was seconded by Ms. Durbin. Motion carried 7-0.

Citizen Participation

Richard Jones – 224 Grove Avenue, Galion, OH – Has issues with people burning trash all over town in violation of the city and EPA regulations. People leaving trash in yards. People not cleaning up after their dogs when walking them (actually leaving it right on the sidewalk).

Legislation

Ordinance No. 2022-6 (Second Reading)

An Ordinance authorizing the Safety-Service Director to provide American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) funds to the AVITA Health Foundation for an inpatient dialysis program, and declaring an emergency.

Mr. Chuck Cangelosi from the AVITA Foundation was in attendance to answer questions that council had.

This ordinance was held to a second reading.

Ordinance No. 2022-9 (Second Reading)

An Ordinance authorizing the Safety-Service Director to advertise for bids and to enter into a contract with the lowest and best bidder therefor, provided by law, for the Park Square Project, to proceed, authorizing payment therefor, and declaring an emergency.

Dr. Fellner made the motion to amend Ordinance No. 2022-9 by adding “and General Fund (101-7020-52317)” to the end of Section 2. Ms. Ault seconded the motion. The roll call on the motion resulted as follows: Dr. Fellner, yea, Ms. Ault, yea, Mr. Bodkins, yea, Ms. Durbin, no, Mr. Ivy, yea, Mr. Richart, yea, Ms. Zeger, yea. Motion carried 6-1.

Dr. Fellner made the motion to suspend the rules and proceed to the final reading on Ordinance No. 2022-9. Ms. Ault seconded the motion. The roll call on the motion resulted as follows: Dr. Fellner, yea, Ms. Ault, yea, Mr. Bodkins, yea, Ms. Durbin, no, Mr. Ivy, yea, Mr. Richart, yea, Ms. Zeger, yea. Motion carried 6-1.

Dr. Feller made the motion to pass Ordinance No. 2022-9. Mr. Bodkins seconded the motion. The roll call on Ordinance No. 2022-9 resulted as follows: Dr. Fellner, yea, Mr. Bodkins, yea, Ms. Durbin, no, Mr. Ivy, yea, Mr. Richart, yea, Ms. Zeger, yea, Ms. Ault, yea. Motion carried 6-1 and Ordinance No. 2022-9 passed for a Final reading.

Resolution No. 2022-2 (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.

Mr. Ivy made the motion to suspend the rules and proceed to the final reading on Resolution No. 2022-2. Mr. Bodkins seconded the motion. The roll call on the motion resulted as follows: Mr. Ivy, yea, Mr. Bodkins, yea, Ms. Durbin, yea, Dr. Fellner, yea, Mr. Richart, yea, Ms. Zeger, yea, Ms. Ault, yea. Motion carried 7-0.

Dr. Fellner made the motion to pass Resolution No. 2022-2. Mr. Bodkins seconded the motion. The roll call on Resolution No. 2022-2 resulted as follows: Dr. Fellner, yea, Mr. Bodkins, yea, Ms. Durbin, yea, Mr. Ivy, yea, Mr. Richart, yea, Ms. Zeger, yea, Ms. Ault, yea. Motion carried 7-0 and Resolution No. 2022-2 passed for a Final reading.

Other Business

None

Laws, Ordinances, Zoning, and Permits – March 1, 2022 – 7:00 p.m.

Utilities – March 2, 2022 – 7:00 p.m.

Parks and Recreation – February 9, 2022 - 7:00 p.m.

Streets, Alleys, Trees, and Bridges – February 10, 2022 - 7:00 p.m.

Economic Development and Airport – February 15, 2022 – 7:00 p.m.

Finance – February 16, 2022 - 7:00 p.m.

Police, Fire, and Health – February 17, 2022 - 7:00 p.m.

Auditor’s Report

Handed out reports and discussed. Updated on the reconciliations - June is done and working on the rest.

Treasurer’s Report

Praised the auditor’s office and Brian’s professionalism. The process will get better. Thanked city workers for the work on the roads.

Director of Law

Nothing

Mayor’s Report

Talked about the electric.

Working on removing the snow uptown and with Ms. Allerding regarding clearing snow from various bus stops.

Tried to take care of alley plow requests as they came in.

President of Council

President Pro Tempore Richart stated that the road crews and folks that handled the snow did an outstanding job.

There being no further business to discuss President Pro Tempore Richart asked for a motion to adjourn. Mr. Bodkins made the motion and Mr. Ivy seconded. The motion carried and the meeting adjourned at 8:25 p.m.

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

Julie L Bell, Clerk of Council