

**GALION CITY COUNCIL
MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING
February 28, 2023 at 7:00 p.m.**

The February 28, 2023 meeting of Galion City Council was called to order by President of Council Eric Webber. The Pledge of Allegiance was followed by a moment of silence.

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

Dr. Fellner made the motion to excuse Ms. Ault. Mr. Bodkins seconded the motion. 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, and SSD Ward.

President Webber asked for a motion to approve the minutes from the February 14, 2023 regular meeting. Ms. Durbin made the motion to approve the minutes. Mr. Richart seconded. Motion carried 6-0.

President Webber asked to add Ordinance No. 2023-20 to the agenda. Dr. Fellner made the motion to add Ordinance No. 2023-20 to the agenda. Ms. Durbin seconded the motion. The roll call on the motion resulted as follows: Mr. Bodkins, yea, Ms. Durbin, yea, Dr. Fellner, yea, Ms. Frank, 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 Ms. Frank. Motion carried 6-0.

Legislation

Ordinance No. 2023-11 (Third Reading)

An Ordinance amending Section 1 of Ordinance No. 2022-45, as amended, regarding the number of authorized employees, by classification in each city department; and declaring an emergency.

Ms. Zeger made the motion to pass Ordinance No. 2023-11 Ms. Durbin seconded the motion.

During continued discussion Mr. Richart made the motion to amend Ordinance No. 2023-11 to change the proposed Auditor's Office staffing from: 1-Deputy Auditor, 1-Administrative Clerk Crew Chief, 2-Administrative Clerks, 1-Summer Intern; to – 1-Deputy Auditor, 3-Administrative Clerks, 1-Summer Intern. Dr. Fellner seconded the motion. The roll call on the motion resulted as follows: Mr. Richart, yea, Dr. Fellner, yea, Ms. Frank, yea, Ms. Zeger, yea, Mr. Bodkins, yea, Ms. Durbin, no. Motion carried 5-1.

The roll call on the motion to pass Ordinance No. 2023-11 resulted as follows: Ms. Zeger, yea, Ms. Durbin, no, Dr. Fellner, yea, Ms. Frank, yea, Mr. Richart, yea, Mr. Bodkins, yea. Motion carried 5-1.

Ordinance No. 2023-16 (First Reading)

An Ordinance authorizing the Safety Service Director to execute an agreement between the Auditor of State Keith Faber and the City of Galion for local government services to be performed for the City of Galion for the years ending December 31, 2022, and 2023, and declaring an emergency.

Ms. Frank made the motion to suspend the rules and proceed to the final reading on Ordinance No. 2023-16. Mr. Richart seconded the motion. The roll call on the motion resulted as follows: Ms. Frank, yea, Mr. Richart, yea, Ms. Zeger, yea, Mr. Bodkins, yea, Ms. Durbin, yea, Dr. Fellner, yea. Motion carried 6-0.

Mr. Richart made the motion to pass Ordinance No. 2023-16. Ms. Zeger seconded the motion. The roll call on Ordinance No. 2023-16 resulted as follows: Mr. Richart, yea, Ms. Zeger, yea, Mr. Bodkins, yea, Ms. Durbin, yea, Dr. Fellner, yea, Ms. Frank, yea. Motion carried 6-0 and Ordinance No. 2023-16 passed for a final reading.

Ordinance No. 2023-17 (First Reading)

An Ordinance authorizing the Safety Service Director to execute an agreement between the Auditor of State Keith Faber and the City of Galion for local government services to be performed for the Galion City Health Department for the years ending December 31, 2022, and 2023, and declaring an emergency.

Mr. Richart made the motion to suspend the rules and proceed to the final reading on Ordinance No. 2023-17. Ms. Frank seconded the motion. The roll call on the motion resulted as follows: Mr. Richart, yea, Ms. Frank, yea, Ms. Zeger, yea, Mr. Bodkins, yea, Ms. Durbin, yea, Dr. Fellner, yea. Motion carried 6-0.

Dr. Fellner made the motion to pass Ordinance No. 2023-17. Ms. Frank seconded the motion. The roll call on Ordinance No. 2023-17 resulted as follows: Dr. Fellner, yea, Ms. Frank, yea, Mr. Richart, yea, Ms. Zeger, yea, Mr. Bodkins, yea, Ms. Durbin, yea. Motion carried 6-0 and Ordinance No. 2023-17 passed for a final reading.

Ordinance No. 2023-18 (First Reading)

An Ordinance authorizing the Safety Service Director to apply for and accept a Law Enforcement Body Armor Grant made available through the Ohio Attorney General, and declaring an emergency.

Dr. Fellner made the motion to suspend the rules and proceed to the final reading on Ordinance No. 2023-18. Mr. Bodkins seconded the motion. The roll call on the motion resulted as follows: Dr. Fellner, yea, Mr. Bodkins, yea, Ms. Durbin, yea, Ms. Frank, yea, Mr. Richart, yea, Ms. Zeger, yea. Motion carried 6-0.

Ms. Zeger made the motion to pass Ordinance No. 2023-18. Mr. Richart seconded the motion. The roll call on Ordinance No. 2023-18 resulted as follows: Ms. Zeger, yea, Mr. Richart, yea, Mr. Bodkins, yea, Ms. Durbin, yea, Dr. Fellner, yea, Ms. Frank, yea. Motion carried 6-0 and Ordinance No. 2023-18 passed for a final reading.

Ordinance No. 2023-19 (First Reading)

An Ordinance amending Ordinance No. 2022-98 (Permanent 2023 Appropriations) by appropriating and advancing funds in various funds and declaring an emergency.

Mr. Richart made the motion to suspend the rules and proceed to the final reading on Ordinance No. 2023-19. Ms. Zeger seconded the motion. The roll call on the motion resulted as follows: Mr. Richart, yea, Ms. Zeger, yea, Mr. Bodkins, yea, Ms. Durbin, yea, Dr. Fellner, yea, Ms. Frank, yea. Motion carried 6-0.

Mr. Richart made the motion to pass Ordinance No. 2023-19. Mr. Bodkins seconded the motion. The roll call on Ordinance No. 2023-19 resulted as follows: Mr. Richart, yea, Mr. Bodkins, yea, Ms. Durbin, yea, Dr. Fellner, yea, Ms. Frank, yea, Ms. Zeger, yea. Motion carried 6-0 and Ordinance No. 2023-19 passed for a final reading.

Ordinance No. 2023-20 (First Reading)

An Ordinance adopting an updated consolidated fee schedule for various fees associated with the City of Galion, and declaring an emergency.

Dr. Fellner made the motion to suspend the rules and proceed to the final reading on Ordinance No. 2023-20. Ms. Frank seconded the motion. The roll call on the motion resulted as follows: Dr. Fellner, yea, Ms. Frank, yea, Mr. Richart, yea, Ms. Zeger, yea, Mr. Bodkins, yea, Ms. Durbin, yea. Motion carried 6-0.

Mr. Richart made the motion to pass Ordinance No. 2023-20. Dr. Fellner seconded the motion. The roll call on Ordinance No. 2023-20 resulted as follows: Mr. Richart, yea, Dr. Fellner, yea, Ms. Frank, yea, Ms. Zeger, yea, Mr. Bodkins, yea, Ms. Durbin, yea. Motion carried 6-0 and Ordinance No. 2023-20 passed for a final reading.

Resolution No. 2023-3 (First Reading)

A Resolution approving and ratifying the prior acts of the Department Heads and Safety-Service Director and approving a "Then and Now" Certificate for said expenditure, and declaring an emergency.

Dr. Fellner made the motion to suspend the rules and proceed to the final reading on Resolution No. 2023-3. Ms. Frank seconded the motion. The roll call on the motion resulted as follows: Dr. Fellner, yea, Ms. Frank, yea, Mr. Richart, yea, Ms. Zeger, yea, Mr. Bodkins, yea, Ms. Durbin, yea. Motion carried 6-0.

Ms. Zeger made the motion to pass Resolution No. 2023-3. Mr. Bodkins seconded the motion. The roll call on Resolution No. 2023-3 resulted as follow: Ms. Zeger, yea, Mr. Bodkins, yea, Ms. Durbin, yea, Dr. Fellner, yea, Ms. Frank, yea, Mr. Richart, yea. Motion carried 6-0 and Resolution No. 2023-3 passed for a final reading.

Other Business

None

Laws, Ordinances, Zoning, and Permits – March 7, 2023 at 7:00 p.m. – possibly cancelled

Utilities – March 1, 2023 at 7:00 p.m. at 7:00 p.m.

Parks and Recreation – March 8, 2023 at 7:00 p.m.

Streets, Alleys, Trees, and Bridges – March 9, 2023 at 6:30 p.m.

Economic Development and Airport – March 21, 2023 at 7:00 p.m.

Finance – March 22, 2023 at 7:00 p.m.

Police, Fire, and Health – March 16, 2023 at 7:00 p.m.

Auditor's Report

Auditor Saterfield handed out his report. Asked if there were any questions.

Treasurer's Report

Not in attendance.

Director of Law

Announced that next Tuesday and Wednesday Heritage Ohio - Main Street Program will be in town. A community meeting will be held on Tuesday from 6-8 p.m. at the Galion Community Theatre.

Mayor's Report

Welcomed Marcy Porter to the meeting. She will be sworn in to replace Rod Sparks soon.

There was a rather long Port Authority meeting. Housing will be happening at the Renschville property. Close to backing construction of 2 homes.

President of Council

Thanked Ms. Ward for the potential new options for internet.

There being no further business to discuss President of Council Webber asked for a motion to adjourn. Ms. Frank made the motion and Mr. Bodkins seconded. The motion carried and the meeting adjourned at 8:48 p.m.

Eric Webber, President of Council

Julie L Bell, Clerk of Council