

**GALION CITY COUNCIL
MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING
April 26, 2022 at 7:00 p.m.**

The April 26, 2022 meeting of Galion City Council was called to order by President 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: Ms. Ault, Mr. Bodkins, Ms. Durbin, Dr. Fellner, Mr. Richart, and Ms. Zeger.

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 Treasurer Sparks..

President Webber asked for a motion to approve the minutes from the April 12, 2022 regular meeting. Mr. Richart made the motion to approve the minutes as presented. Ms. Zeger seconded. Motion carried 6-0.

President Webber asked to add Ordinance 2022-38 to the agenda. Dr. Fellner made the motion to add Ordinance No. 2022-38 to the agenda. Mr. Bodkins 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. Richart, yea, Ms. Zeger, yea. Motion carried 6-0.

Mr. Richart made the motion to approve the agenda as amended which was seconded by Ms. Zeger. Motion carried 6-0.

Legislation

Ordinance No. 2022-17 (Second Reading)

An Ordinance authorizing and directing the Safety-Services Director to execute any and all documents to transfer property to the Galion Port Authority and declaring an emergency.

Dr. Fellner made the motion to suspend the rules and proceed to the final reading on Ordinance No. 2022-17. Mr. Bodkins seconded the motion. The roll call on the motion resulted as follows: Dr. Fellner, yea, Mr. Bodkins, yea, Ms. Durbin, no, Mr. Richart, yea, Ms. Zeger, yea, Ms. Ault, yea. Motion carried 5-1.

Mr. Richart made the motion to pass Ordinance No. 2022-17. Mr. Bodkins seconded the motion. The roll call on Ordinance No. 2022-17 resulted as follows: Mr. Richart, yea, Mr. Bodkins, yea, Ms. Durbin, yea, Dr. Fellner, yea, Ms. Zeger, yea, Ms. Ault, yea. Motion carried 6-0 and Ordinance No. 2022-17 passed for a final reading.

Ordinance No. 2022-29 (Second Reading)

An Ordinance authorizing the Safety-Service Director to contract for Internet Auction Services to dispose of unneeded personal property owned by the City of Galion and declaring an emergency.

Mr. Richart made the motion to suspend the rules and proceed to the final reading on Ordinance No. 2022-29. Ms. Zeger seconded the motion. The roll call on the motion resulted as follows: Mr. Richart, yea, Ms. Zeger, yea, Ms. Ault, yea, Mr. Bodkins, yea, Ms. Durbin, yea, Dr. Fellner, yea. Motion carried 6-0.

Dr. Fellner made the motion to pass Ordinance No. 2022-29. Mr. Bodkins seconded the motion. The roll call on Ordinance No. 2022-29 resulted as follows: Dr. Fellner, yea, Mr. Bodkins, yea, Ms. Durbin, yea, Mr. Richart, yea, Ms. Zeger, yea, Ms. Ault, yea. Motion carried 6-0 and Ordinance No. 2022-29 passed for a final reading.

Ordinance No. 2022-30 (Second Reading)

An Ordinance authorizing the Safety-Service Director to enter into an agreement with GPD Group for professional engineering services related to water treatment plant improvements, and declaring an emergency.

Dr. Fellner made the motion to suspend the rules and proceed to the final reading on Ordinance No. 2022-30. Mr. Richart seconded the motion. The roll call on the motion resulted as follows: Dr. Fellner, yea, Mr. Richart, yea, Ms. Zeger, yea, Ms. Ault, yea, Mr. Bodkins, yea, Ms. Durbin, yea. Motion carried 6-0.

Mr. Richart made the motion to pass Ordinance No. 2022-30. Ms. Ault seconded the motion. The roll call on Ordinance No. 2022-30 resulted as follows: Mr. Richart, yea, Ms. Ault, yea, Mr. Bodkins, yea, Ms. Durbin, yea, Dr. Fellner, yea, Ms. Zeger, yea. Motion carried 6-0 and Ordinance No. 2022-30 passed for a final reading.

Ordinance No. 2022-31 (Second Reading)

An Ordinance amending Ordinance No. 2021-116 approved on December 28, 2021 which amended Ordinance 2020-92 (Permanent 2021 Appropriations) by appropriating 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. 2022-31. Ms. Zeger seconded the motion. The roll call on the motion resulted as follows: Dr. Fellner, yea, Ms. Zeger, yea, Ms. Ault, yea, Mr. Bodkins, yea, Ms. Durbin, yea, Mr. Richart, yea. Motion carried 6-0.

Mr. Richart made the motion to pass Ordinance No. 2022-31. Mr. Bodkins seconded the motion. The roll call on Ordinance No. 2022-31 resulted as follows: Mr. Richart, yea, Mr. Bodkins, yea, Ms. Durbin, yea, Dr. Fellner, yea, Ms. Zeger, yea, Ms. Ault, yea. Motion carried 6-0 and Ordinance No. 2022-31 passed for a final reading.

Ordinance No. 2022-32 (First Reading)

An Ordinance authorizing the City of Galion to participate in the 2022 ODOT Winter Contract for Road Salt, and declaring an emergency.

Mr. Richart made the motion to suspend the rules and proceed to the final reading on Ordinance No. 2022-32. Ms. Ault seconded the motion. The roll call on the motion resulted as follows: Mr. Richart, yea, Ms. Ault, yea, Mr. Bodkins, yea, Ms. Durbin, yea, Dr. Fellner, yea, Ms. Zeger, yea. Motion carried 6-0.

Dr. Fellner made the motion to pass Ordinance No. 2022-32. Mr. Bodkins seconded the motion. The roll call on Ordinance No. 2022-32 resulted as follows: Dr. Fellner, yea, Mr. Bodkins, yea, Ms. Durbin, yea, Mr. Richart, yea, Ms. Zeger, yea, Ms. Ault, yea. Motion carried 6-0 and Ordinance No. 2022-32 passed for a final reading.

Ordinance No. 2022-33 (First Reading)

An Ordinance approving and authorizing the Mayor to enter into a Partnership Agreement between Crawford County, and the cities of Galion and Bucyrus for the PY 2022 CHIP Grant Program, and declaring an emergency.

Mr. Richart made the motion to suspend the rules and proceed to the final reading on Ordinance No. 2022-33. Ms. Zeger seconded the motion. The roll call on the motion resulted as follows: Mr. Richart, yea, Ms. Zeger, yea, Ms. Ault, yea, Mr. Bodkins, yea, Ms. Durbin, yea, Dr. Fellner, yea,. Motion carried 6-0.

Dr. Fellner made the motion to pass Ordinance No. 2022-33. Ms. Zeger seconded the motion. The roll call on Ordinance No. 2022-33 resulted as follows: Dr. Fellner, yea, Ms. Zeger, yea, Ms. Ault, yea, Mr. Bodkins, yea, Ms. Durbin, yea, Mr. Richart, yea. Motion carried 6-0 and Ordinance No. 2022-33 passed for a final reading.

Ordinance No. 2022-34 (First Reading)

An Ordinance retaining McMahon Degulis LLP as special counsel to represent the City of Galion in regulatory compliance matters, and declaring an emergency.

This Ordinance was held to a First Reading.

Ordinance No. 2022-35 (First 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, as provided by law, for the Brandt Road Turn Lane Project, to proceed, authorizing payment therefor, and declaring an emergency.

Dr. Fellner made the motion to amend Ordinance No. 2022-35 to add “the Permanent Improvement Fund (401).” Ms. Zeger seconded the motion. The roll call on the motion resulted as follows: Dr. Fellner, yea, Ms. Zeger, yea, Ms. Ault, yea, Mr. Bodkins, yea, Ms. Durbin, yea, Mr. Richart, yea. Motion carried 6-0

This Ordinance was held to a First Reading.

Ordinance No. 2022-36 (First Reading)

An Ordinance amending Ordinance No. 2021-114 (Permanent 2022 Appropriations) by appropriating from unappropriated funds in various funds, and declaring an emergency.

This Ordinance was held to a First Reading.

Ordinance No. 2022-37 (First Reading)

An Ordinance authorizing the Safety-Service Director to accept American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA Funds and sign documents necessary thereto, and declaring an emergency.

Dr. Fellner made the motion to suspend the rules and proceed to the final reading on Ordinance No. 2022-37. Ms. Zeger seconded the motion. The roll call on the motion resulted as follows: Dr. Fellner, yea, Ms. Zeger, yea, Ms. Ault, yea, Mr. Bodkins, yea, Ms. Durbin, yea, Mr. Richart, yea. Motion carried 6-0.

Ms. Zeger made the motion to pass Ordinance No. 2022-37. Ms. Ault seconded the motion. The roll call on Ordinance No. 2022-37 resulted as follows: Ms. Zeger, yea, Ms. Ault, yea, Mr. Bodkins, yea, Ms. Durbin, yea, Dr. Fellner, yea, Mr. Richart, yea. Motion carried 6-0 and Ordinance No. 2022-37 passed for a final reading.

Resolution No. 2022-5 (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.

Mr. Richart made the motion to suspend the rules and proceed to the final reading on Resolution No. 2022-5. Ms. Zeger seconded the motion. The roll call on the motion resulted as follows: Mr. Richart, yea, Ms. Zeger, yea, Ms. Ault, yea, Mr. Bodkins, yea, Ms. Durbin, yea, Dr. Fellner, yea. Motion carried 6-0.

Mr. Richart made the motion to pass Resolution No. 2022-5. Ms. Zeger seconded the motion. The roll call on Resolution No. 2022-5 resulted as follows: Mr. Richart, yea, Ms. Zeger, yea, Ms. Ault, yea, Mr. Bodkins, yea, Ms. Durbin, yea, Dr. Fellner, yea. Motion carried 6-0 and Resolution No. 2022-5 passed for a final reading.

Ordinance No. 2022-38 (First Reading)

An Ordinance authorizing the Police Chief and/or Safety-Service Director to apply for an accept a grant from the Ohio Criminal Justice Services (OCJS) in the amount of up to Five Hundred Thousand Dollars (\$500,000), and declaring an emergency.

Mr. Richart made the motion to suspend the rules and proceed to the final reading on Ordinance No. 2022-38. Ms. Zeger seconded the motion. The roll call on the motion resulted as follows: Mr. Richart, yea, Ms. Zeger, yea, Ms. Ault, yea, Mr. Bodkins, yea, Ms. Durbin, yea, Dr. Fellner, yea. Motion carried 6-0.

Ms. Zeger made the motion to pass Ordinance No. 2022-38. Ms. Ault seconded the motion. The roll call on Ordinance No. 2022-38 resulted as follows: Ms. Zeger, yea, Ms. Ault, yea, Mr. Bodkins, yea, Ms. Durbin, yea, Dr. Fellner, yea, Mr. Richart, yea. Motion carried 6-0 and Ordinance No. 2022-38 passed for a final reading.

Ordinance No. 2022-21 (First Reading)

An Ordinance authorizing and directing the Safety-Service Director to advertise for bids and to enter into a contract for a Pad (liner) for the Splash Park together with necessary construction.

Ms. Durbin made the motion to amend Ordinance No. 2022-21 by changing the amount from \$75,000 to \$80,000. Ms. Zeger seconded the motion. The roll call on the motion resulted as follows: Ms. Durbin, yea, Ms. Zeger, yea, Ms. Ault, yea, Mr. Bodkins, yea, Dr. Fellner, yea, Mr. Richart, yea. Motion carried 6-0.

This Ordinance was held to a First Reading.

Other Business

ARPA Fund – Sara Beegle – A representative from Sara Beegle was present. Council members discussed using ARPA funds to provide funding to the center to hire additional staff so they could increase their enrollment. The consensus seemed to be in favor and will go to the next Laws and Ordinances committee meeting. No action taken.

Laws, Ordinances, Zoning, and Permits – May 4 at 6:30 p.m.

Utilities – May 4, 7:00 p.m.

Parks and Recreation –

Streets, Alleys, Trees, and Bridges – May 12, 2022 - 7:00 p.m.

Economic Development and Airport – May 17, 2022 – 7:00 p.m.

Finance – May 18, 2022 – at 7:00 p.m.

Police, Fire, and Health – May 19, 2022 - 7:00 p.m.

Auditor’s Report

Handed out reports and discussed.

Treasurer’s Report

Thanked Brian. Looking forward to when his office is caught up.

Director of Law

Final contract for the Central Hotel has been signed. Closing will be soon.

Mayor’s Report

Need to be concerned with the revenues in the water and sewer funds.

\$7.3 million in the General Fund.

Concerning the fire at Mill Creek. Made a huge difference having our own safety forces.

Frees Board of Trustees meets April 21. Hope to use state purchasing for the splash park project.

President of Council

Mr. Webber thanked the Fire/EMS/Police concerning the Mill Creek fire. Thoughts and prayers to the residents and staff.

Ms. Zeger expressed that Mill Creek is in need of boxes.

Mr. Richart in regards to Mr. Ivy’s resignation. He is in our thoughts and prayers and it was a pleasure to work with him.

There being no further business to discuss President Webber asked for a motion to adjourn. Mr. Bodkins made the motion and Ms. Zeger seconded. The motion carried and the meeting adjourned at 9:10 p.m.

Eric Webber, President of Council

Julie L Bell, Clerk of Council