

**GALION CITY COUNCIL
MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING (via Zoom)
April 27, 2021 at 7:00 p.m.**

The April 27, 2021 meeting of Galion City Council held via Zoom was called to order by President Carl Watt. 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. Erlsten, Dr. Fellner, Mr. Ivy, Mr. Richart, and Mr. Triplett.

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 Baldinger, Director of Law Palmer, and Safety-Service Director Ward.

President Watt asked for a motion to approve the minutes from the April 13, 2021 regular meeting. Mr. Bodkins made the motion to approve as presented. Mr. Richart seconded the motion. Motion carried 7-0.

President Watt asked for a motion to add Ordinance No. 2021-36 to the agenda. Dr. Fellner made the motion which was seconded by Mr. Bodkins. The roll call on the motion resulted as follows: Ms. Ault, yea, Mr. Bodkins, yea, Ms. Erlsten, yea, Dr. Fellner, yea, Mr. Ivy, yea, Mr. Richart, yea, Mr. Triplett, yea. Motion carried 7-0.

President Watt asked for a motion to add Ordinance No. 2021-39 to the agenda. Mr. Triplett made the motion which was seconded by Mr. Ivy. The roll call on the motion resulted as follows: Ms. Ault, yea, Mr. Bodkins, yea, Ms. Erlsten, yea, Dr. Fellner, yea, Mr. Ivy, yea, Mr. Richart, yea, Mr. Triplett, yea. Motion carried 7-0.

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

Legislation

Ordinance No. 2021-33 (First Reading)

An ordinance requesting the Trustees of the Egbert M. Freese Foundation to distribute income therefrom to the City of Galion for the purposes outlined herein, and declaring an emergency.

Mr. Richart made the motion to amend Ordinance No. 2021-33 by using the revised Ordinance submitted with exception of deleting Section 1 B iv revising the total to \$72,500. The total for Section 1 A ii was amended from \$43,407 to \$23,458 and the total for A v was amended from \$60,000 to \$59,000 to make the total for Section 1 A \$454,458. The total in Section 3 \$526,958. Dr. Fellner seconded the motion. The roll call on the motion resulted as follows: Mr. Richart, yea, Dr. Fellner, yea, Mr. Ivy, yea, Mr. Triplett, yea, Ms. Ault, yea, Mr. Bodkins, yea, Ms. Erlsten, yea. The motion carried 7-0.

Mr. Richart made the motion to suspend the rules and proceed to the final reading on amended Ordinance No. 2021-33. Mr. Ivy seconded the motion. The roll call resulted as follows: Mr. Richart, yea, Mr. Ivy, yea, Mr. Triplett, yea, Ms. Ault, yea, Mr. Bodkins, yea, Ms. Erlsten, yea, Dr. Fellner, yea. Motion carried 7-0.

Mr. Ivy made the motion to pass amended Ordinance No. 2021-33. Mr. Bodkins seconded the motion. The roll call on Ordinance No. 2021-33 resulted as follows: Mr. Ivy, yea, Mr. Bodkins, yea, Ms. Erlsten, yea, Dr. Fellner, yea, Mr. Richart, yea, Mr. Triplett, yea, Ms. Ault, yea. Motion carried 7-0 and Ordinance No. 2021-33 passed for final reading.

Ordinance No. 2021-34 (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.

Mr. Richart made the motion to suspend the rules and proceed to the final reading on Ordinance No. 2021-34. Mr. Ivy seconded the motion. The roll call resulted as follows: Mr. Richart, yea, Mr. Ivy, yea, Mr. Triplett, yea, Ms. Ault, yea, Ms. Erlsten, yea, Dr. Fellner, yea, Mr. Bodkins, yea. Motion carried 7-0.

Mr. Triplett made the motion to pass Ordinance No. 2021-34. Mr. Bodkins seconded the motion. The roll call on Ordinance No. 2021-34 resulted as follows: Mr. Triplett, yea, Mr. Bodkins, yea, Ms. Erlsten, yea, Dr. Fellner, yea, Mr. Ivy, yea, Mr. Richart, yea, Ms. Ault, yea. Motion carried 7-0 and Ordinance No. 2021-34 passed for final reading.

Ordinance No. 2021-35 (First Reading)

An ordinance amending Ordinance No. 2020-92 (Permanent 2021 Appropriations) by transferring funds in the Coronavirus Relief Fund and declaring an emergency.

Mr. Richart made the motion to suspend the rules and proceed to the final reading on Ordinance No. 2021-35. Ms. Erlsten seconded the motion. The roll call resulted as follows: Mr. Richart, yea, Ms. Erlsten, yea, Mr. Ivy, yea, Mr. Triplett, yea, Ms. Ault, yea, Mr. Bodkins, yea, Dr. Fellner, yea. Motion carried 7-0.

Mr. Triplett made the motion to pass Ordinance No. 2021-35. Mr. Ivy seconded the motion. The roll call on Ordinance No. 2021-35 resulted as follows: Mr. Triplett, yea, Mr. Ivy, yea, Mr. Richart, yea, Ms. Ault, yea, Mr. Bodkins, yea, Ms. Erlsten, yea, Dr. Fellner, yea. Motion carried 7-0 and Ordinance No. 2021-35 passed for final reading.

Ordinance No. 2021-36 (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 demolition of 514 Harding Way East, Galion, Ohio, to proceed, authorizing payment therefor, and declaring an emergency.

Mr. Triplett made the motion to suspend the rules and proceed to the final reading on Ordinance No. 2021-36. Mr. Bodkins seconded the motion. The roll call resulted as follows: Mr. Triplett, yea, Mr. Bodkins, yea, Ms. Erlsten, yea, Dr. Fellner, yea, Mr. Ivy, yea, Mr. Richart, yea, Ms. Ault, yea. Motion carried 7-0.

Mr. Ivy made the motion to pass Ordinance No. 2021-36. Mr. Richart seconded the motion. The roll call on Ordinance No. 2021-36 resulted as follows: Mr. Ivy, yea, Mr. Richart, yea, Mr. Triplett, yea, Ms. Ault, yea, Mr. Bodkins, yea, Ms. Erlsten, yea, Dr. Fellner, yea. Motion carried 7-0 and Ordinance No. 2021-36 passed for final reading.

Ordinance No. 2021-37 (First Reading)

An ordinance authorizing the Safety-Service Director and/or Mayor to apply for and accept grant and loan funds under Round 35 of Ohio Public Works Commission (OPWC) funding to be used for the SR 598 Widening Project, and declaring an emergency.

Mr. Triplett made the motion to suspend the rules and proceed to the final reading on Ordinance No. 2021-37. Mr. Bodkins seconded the motion. The roll call resulted as follows: Mr. Triplett, yea, Mr. Bodkins, yea, Ms. Erlsten, yea, Dr. Fellner, yea, Mr. Ivy, yea, Mr. Richart, yea, Ms. Ault, yea. Motion carried 7-0.

Mr. Triplett made the motion to pass Ordinance No. 2021-37. Mr. Bodkins seconded the motion. The roll call on Ordinance No. 2021-37 resulted as follows: Mr. Triplett, yea, Mr. Bodkins, yea, Ms. Erlsten, yea, Dr. Fellner, yea, Mr. Ivy, yea, Mr. Richart, yea, Ms. Ault, yea. Motion carried 7-0 and Ordinance No. 2021-37 passed for final reading.

Ordinance No. 2021-38 (First Reading)

An ordinance amending Ordinance No 2020-92 (Permanent 2021 Appropriations) by appropriating funds in the Permanent Improvement Fund and declaring an emergency.

This ordinance was held to a first reading.

Ordinance No. 2021-39 (First Reading)

An ordinance designating Park National Bank as a depository of the active funds of the City of Galion pursuant to Ohio Revised Code 135.12, authorizing the Safety-Service Director to sign same, and declaring an emergency.

Mr. Richart made the motion to suspend the rules and proceed to the final reading on Ordinance No. 2021-39. Mr. Triplett seconded the motion. The roll call resulted as follows: Mr. Richart, yea, Mr. Triplett, yea, Mr. Bodkins, yea, Ms. Erlsten, yea, Dr. Fellner, yea, Mr. Ivy, yea, Ms. Ault, yea. Motion carried 7-0.

Mr. Triplett made the motion to pass Ordinance No. 2021-39. Mr. Ivy seconded the motion. The roll call on Ordinance No. 2021-39 resulted as follows: Mr. Triplett, yea, Mr. Ivy, yea, Mr. Richart, yea, Ms. Ault, yea, Mr. Bodkins, yea, Ms. Erlsten, yea, Dr. Fellner, yea. Motion carried 7-0 and Ordinance No. 2021-39 passed for final reading.

Upcoming committees:

Laws, Ordinances, Zoning, and Permits – May 4, 2021 at 7:00 p.m. via Zoom

Utilities – May 5, 2021 at 7:00 p.m. via Zoom

Parks and Recreation – May 12, 2021 at 7:00 p.m. at city building

Finance – May 19, 2021 at 7:00 p.m. at city building

Police, Fire and Health – May 20, 2021 at 7:00 p.m. via Zoom

Economic Development and Airport – May 18, 2021 at 7:00 p.m. via Zoom

Streets, Alleys, Trees, & Bridges – May 13, 2021 at 7:00 p.m. via Zoom

Other Business

Mr. Bodkins said that Pennie Fox thanked the city for patching work. He also thanked the Director of Law for work on an issue.

Auditor's Report

Central Hotel is getting close. Auditor's office is beginning book work. Will come to council regarding a separate fund. The management company will need to be aware of requirements concerning audits. Could increase audit costs.

Treasurer's Report

Not in attendance

Director of Law

Reminded about Financial Disclosure report that needs to be filed.

Mayor's Report

CSX Crossing has been rescheduled to a later date due to illness with the crew.

Thanked council for moving ordinances forward.

President of Council

Nothing

There being no further business to discuss President Watt asked for a motion to adjourn. Mr. Triplett made the motion and Ms. Erlsten seconded. The motion carried and the meeting adjourned at 8:10 p.m.

Carl W. Watt, President of Council

Julie L. Bell, Clerk of Council