

**GALION CITY COUNCIL
MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING
May 24, 2022 at 7:00 p.m.**

The May 24, 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, Ms. Frank.

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 Safety-Service Director Ward.

President Webber asked for a motion to approve the minutes from the May 10, 2022 regular meeting. Mr. Richart made the motion to approve the minutes. Ms. Ault seconded. Motion carried 7-0.

President Webber asked to add Ordinance 2022-44 to the agenda. Dr. Fellner made the motion to add Ordinance No. 2022-44 to the agenda. Ms. Durbin seconded the motion. The roll call on the motion resulted as follows: Ms. Ault, yea, Mr. Bodkins, yea, Ms. Durbin, yea, Dr. Fellner, yea, Ms. Frank, yea, Mr. Richart, yea, Ms. Zeger, yea. Motion carried 7-0.

President Webber asked to add Ordinance 2022-45 to the agenda. Ms. Ault made the motion to add Ordinance No. 2022-45 to the agenda. Ms. Zeger seconded the motion. The roll call on the motion resulted as follows: Ms. Ault, yea, Mr. Bodkins, yea, Ms. Durbin, yea, Dr. Fellner, yea, Ms. Frank, 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 Mr. Bodkins. Motion carried 7-0.

Public Participation

Kevin McCane – 321 W. Church St. – Spoke to council about his garage getting hit by cars turning from / into the Rite Aid parking lot. Looking for a solution since he just did some renovations on the property. Administration will look into the situation. Possible solution would be to vacate the alley.

Legislation

Ordinance No. 2022-34 (Third Reading)

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

Mr. Richart made the motion to pass Ordinance No. 2022-34. Ms. Ault seconded the motion. The roll call on Ordinance No. 2022-34 resulted as follow: Mr. Richart, yea, Ms. Ault, yea, Mr. Bodkins, yea, Ms. Durbin, no, Dr. Fellner, yea, Ms. Frank, yea, Ms. Zeger, no. Motion carried 5-2 and Ordinance No. 2022-34 passed for a third and final reading.

Ordinance No. 2022-35 (Third 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 pass Ordinance No. 2022-35. Mr. Bodkins seconded the motion. The roll call on Ordinance No. 2022-35 resulted as follow: Dr. Fellner, yea, Mr. Bodkins, yea, Ms. Durbin, no, Ms. Frank, yea, Mr. Richart, yea, Ms. Zeger, yea, Ms. Ault, yea. Motion carried 6-1 and Ordinance No. 2022-35 passed for a third and final reading.

Ordinance No. 2022-36 (Third Reading)

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

Dr. Fellner made the motion to pass Ordinance No. 2022-36. Mr. Richart seconded the motion. The roll call on Ordinance No. 2022-36 resulted as follow: Dr. Fellner, yea, Mr. Richart, yea, Ms. Zeger, yea, Ms. Ault, yea, Mr. Bodkins, yea, Ms. Durbin, no, Ms. Frank, yea. Motion carried 6-1 and Ordinance No. 2022-36 passed for a third and final reading.

Ordinance No. 2022-20 (Second Reading)

An Ordinance establishing sewer charges for customers within and outside the corporation limits of the City of Galion for bills rendered on and after June 1, 2022, repealing inconsistent ordinances and resolutions, and declaring an emergency.

This Ordinance was held to a Second Reading.

Ordinance No. 2022-42 (First Reading)

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

This Ordinance was held to a First Reading.

Ordinance No. 2022-43 (First Reading)

AN ORDINANCE PROVIDING FOR THE ISSUANCE AND SALE OF NOTES IN THE MAXIMUM AGGREGATE PRINCIPAL AMOUNT OF \$2,596,700, IN ANTICIPATION OF THE ISSUANCE OF BONDS, FOR THE PURPOSE OF PAYING THE COSTS OF (A) IMPROVING THE CITY'S SEWER TREATMENT PLANT BY ACQUIRING SCREW PUMP EQUIPMENT, TOGETHER WITH ALL NECESSARY APPURTENANCES THERETO, (B) IMPROVING AND UPGRADING THE CITY'S ELECTRIC DISTRIBUTION SYSTEM BY REPLACING LINES, POLES, CONDUCTORS, INSULATORS, TRANSFORMERS AND OTHER AUXILIARY EQUIPMENT, TOGETHER WITH ALL NECESSARY APPURTENANCES THERETO, (C) IMPROVING THE CITY'S SANITARY SEWER SYSTEM BY CONSTRUCTING A LIFT STATION ALONG STATE ROUTE 61, TOGETHER WITH RELATED SITE IMPROVEMENTS AND ALL NECESSARY APPURTENANCES THERETO, (D) IMPROVING VARIOUS PUBLIC INFRASTRUCTURE IMPROVEMENTS WITHIN AND SERVING THE BRANDT ROAD AREA, INCLUDING BUT NOT LIMITED TO THE DESIGN AND CONSTRUCTION OF APPROXIMATELY 1,000 LINEAL FEET OF NEW ROADWAY BETWEEN STATE ROUTE 598 AND KELLER DRIVE, THE WIDENING OF APPROXIMATELY 925 LINEAL FEET OF ROADWAY ALONG STATE ROUTE 598 INCLUDING THE DESIGN AND CONSTRUCTION OF A TURN LANE AND CONSTRUCTION OF THE NECESSARY STORM WATER DRAINAGE SYSTEMS FOR THE PROPERTY, TOGETHER WITH ALL INCIDENTAL WORK AND RELATED APPURTENANCES THERETO AND (E) ROAD CONSTRUCTION IMPROVEMENTS TO STATE ROUTE 19/HARDING WAY BETWEEN CERTAIN TERMINI, INCLUDING BUT NOT LIMITED TO THE DESIGN, CONSTRUCTION AND RESURFACING OF APPROXIMATELY 4.19 MILES OF ROADWAY FROM THE MORROW-CRAWFORD COUNTY LINE HEADING WEST TO THE CORPORATION LIMIT, REPAIRING AND CONSTRUCTION OF CURBS AND CURB RAMPS, AND REPLACEMENT OF SIGNAGE AND GUARDRAILS, TOGETHER WITH ALL NECESSARY APPURTENANCES THERETO, AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

Dr. Fellner made the motion to suspend the rules and proceed to the final reading on Ordinance No. 2022-43. Mr. Bodkins seconded the motion. The roll call on the motion resulted as follows: Dr. Fellner, yea, Mr. Bodkins, yea, Ms. Durbin, no, Ms. Frank, yea, Mr. Richart, yea, Ms. Zeger, yea, Ms. Ault, yea. Motion carried 6-1.

Dr. Fellner made the motion to pass Ordinance No. 2022-43. Mr. Bodkins seconded the motion. The roll call on Ordinance No. 2022-43 resulted as follow: Dr. Fellner, yea, Mr. Bodkins, yea, Ms. Durbin, yea, Ms. Frank, yea, Mr. Richart, yea, Ms. Zeger, yea, Ms. Ault, yea. Motion carried 7-0 and Ordinance No. 2022-43 passed for a final reading.

Ordinance No. 2022-44 (First Reading)

An Ordinance authorizing the Safety-Service Director to provide American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) funds to Sara Beegle for supplemental funding assistance, and declaring an emergency.

Mr. Richart made the motion to suspend the rules and proceed to the final reading on Ordinance No. 2022-44. 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, Ms. Frank, yea. Motion carried 7-0.

Mr. Richart made the motion to pass Ordinance No. 2022-44. Mr. Bodkins seconded the motion. The roll call on Ordinance No. 2022-44 resulted as follow: Mr. Richart, yea, Mr. Bodkins, yea, Ms. Durbin, yea, Dr. Fellner, yea, Ms. Frank, yea, Ms. Zeger, yea, Ms. Ault, yea. Motion carried 7-0 and Ordinance No. 2022-44 passed for a final reading.

Ordinance No. 2022-45 (First Reading)

An Ordinance amending Section 1 of Ordinance No. 2021-82, as amended, regarding the number of authorized employees, by classification, in each city department; and declaring an emergency.

Mr. Richart made the motion to suspend the rules and proceed to the final reading on Ordinance No. 2022-45. Ms. Frank seconded the motion. The roll call on the motion resulted as follows: Mr. Richart, yea, Ms. Frank, yea, Ms. Zeger, yea, Ms. Ault, yea, Mr. Bodkins, yea, Ms. Durbin, yea, Dr. Fellner, yea. Motion carried 7-0.

Mr. Richart made the motion to pass Ordinance No. 2022-45. Ms. Zeger seconded the motion. The roll call on Ordinance No. 2022-45 resulted as follow: Mr. Richart, yea, Ms. Zeger, yea, Ms. Ault, yea, Mr. Bodkins, yea, Ms. Durbin, yea, Dr. Fellner, yea, Ms. Frank, yea. Motion carried 7-0 and Ordinance No. 2022-45 passed for a final reading.

Other Business

Laws, Ordinances, Zoning, and Permits – June 7, 2022 at 7:00 p.m.

Utilities – June 1, 2022, 7:00 p.m.

Parks and Recreation – June 8, 2022 – 7:00 p.m.

Streets, Alleys, Trees, and Bridges – June 9, 2022 - 7:00 p.m.

Economic Development and Airport – June 21, 2022 – 7:00 p.m.

Finance – June 22, 2022 – at 7:00 p.m.

Police, Fire, and Health – June 16, 2022 - 7:00 p.m.

Mr. Bodkins thanked everyone for voting for Sara Beegle.

Auditor's Report

Handed out reports and discussed. Bills are approximately 3 weeks behind. GAAP being wrapped up. Admin. Clerk has transferred to another department so down to a 2 person office. Test is June 13th. Hopefully results can be posted by the 20th and begin to conduct interviews.

Treasurer's Report

Not in attendance

Director of Law

Nothing

Mayor's Report

Street Assessment was done last week. Will have at the next Streets, Alleys, Trees, and Bridges Committee to see how it compares to the city compiled list.

Clean-up day was overwhelmingly attended. The mayor wanted to thank the following:

Rumpke – Jim Meyers and the two drivers.

Willig Tire – collected tires at their location on South Street.

Accurate IT – Electronics Recycling

City Employees – Dick Benner, Matt Echelberry, Mike Miller, Mike Richart, James Tolley, Nikki Ward.

Others – Rick Elwell, Lonnie O’Leary, Dominos Pizza (Leslie)

Maybe try to secure a different location for next year.

Thanked council for their support of the ordinances. Gas tax is making him nervous but income tax is okay for now.

President of Council

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 8:37 p.m.

Eric Webber, President of Council

Julie L Bell, Clerk of Council