

**GALION CITY COUNCIL  
MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING (via Zoom)  
May 25, 2021 at 7:00 p.m.**

The May 25, 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 May 11, 2021 regular meeting. Dr. Fellner 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 2021-46 to the agenda. Mr. Triplett made the motion which was seconded by Mr. Richart. 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 Resolution 2021-13 to the agenda. Mr. Ivy made the motion which was seconded by Mr. Triplett. 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. 2021-38 (Third Reading)**

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

Dr. Fellner made the motion to amend Ordinance No. 2021-38 by removing the emergency clause in the heading and changing Section 6 to read "That this Ordinance shall take effect at the earliest time allowed by law after its passage." The roll call resulted as follows: Dr. Fellner, yea, Mr. Ivy, yea, Mr. Richart, no, Mr. Triplett, no, Ms. Ault, yea, Mr. Bodkins, no, Ms. Erlsten, yea. Motion carried 4-3.

Dr. Fellner made the motion to passed Ordinance No. 2021.68 as amended. Mr. Ivy seconded the motion. The roll call on Ordinance No. 2021-38 resulted as follows: Dr. Fellner, yea, Mr. Ivy, yea, Mr. Richart, no, Mr. Triplett, no, Ms. Ault, yea, Mr. Bodkins, no, Ms. Erlsten, yea. Motion carried 4-3 and Ordinance 2021-38 passed for a Third and Final reading.

**Ordinance No. 2021-41 (First Reading)**

An ordinance authorizing the Safety-Service Director to submit an application for grant funds under the Ohio Airport Grant Program, and declaring an emergency.

Dr. Fellner made the motion to suspend the rules and proceed to the final reading on Ordinance No. 2021-41. Mr. Richart seconded the motion. The roll call resulted as follows: Dr. Fellner, yea, Mr. Richart, yea, Mr. Triplett, yea, Ms. Ault, yea, Mr. Bodkins, yea, Ms. Erlsten, yea, Mr. Ivy, yea. Motion carried 7-0.

Mr. Richart made the motion to pass Ordinance No. 2021-41. Mr. Ivy seconded the motion. The roll call on Ordinance No. 2021-41 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 and Ordinance No. 2021-41 passed for final reading.

**Ordinance No. 2021-42 (First Reading)**

An ordinance providing for the issuance and sale of notes in the maximum aggregate principal amount of \$2,606,900, 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.

Mr. Richart made the motion to suspend the rules and proceed to the final reading on Ordinance No. 2021-42. Mr. Triplett seconded the motion. The roll call resulted as follows: Mr. Richart, yea, Mr. Triplett, yea, Ms. Ault, yea, Mr. Bodkins, yea, Ms. Erlsten, yea, Dr. Fellner, yea, Mr. Ivy, yea. Motion carried 7-0.

Mr. Triplett made the motion to pass Ordinance No. 2021-42. Mr. Richart seconded the motion. The roll call on Ordinance No. 2021-42 resulted as follows: Mr. Triplett, yea, Mr. Richart, yea, Ms. Ault, yea, Mr. Bodkins, yea, Ms. Erlsten, yea, Dr. Fellner, yea, Mr. Ivy, yea. Motion carried 7-0 and Ordinance No. 2021-42 passed for a final reading.

**Ordinance No. 2021-43 (First Reading)**

An ordinance authorizing and directing the Safety-Service Director and/or Mayor to execute and submit an application for financial assistance to the Ohio Department of Natural Resources under the Nature Works Program, and declaring an emergency.

Dr. Fellner made the motion to suspend the rules and proceed to the final reading on Ordinance No. 2021-43. Mr. Bodkins seconded the motion. The roll call resulted as follows: Dr. Fellner, yea, Mr. Bodkins, yea, Ms. Erlsten, yea, Mr. Ivy, yea, Mr. Richart, yea, Mr. Triplett, yea, Ms. Ault, yea. Motion carried 7-0.

Mr. Ivy made the motion to pass Ordinance No. 2021-43. Mr. Triplett seconded the motion. The roll call on Ordinance No. 2021-43 resulted as follows: Mr. Ivy, yea, Mr. Triplett, yea, Ms. Ault, yea, Mr. Bodkins, yea, Ms. Erlsten, yea, Dr. Fellner, yea, Mr. Richart, yea. Motion carried 7-0 and Ordinance No. 2021-43 passed for final reading.

**Ordinance No. 2021-44 (First Reading)**

An ordinance authorizing the Safety-Service Director to be a member of the Ohio Association of Public Safety Directors and declaring an emergency.

Dr. Fellner made the motion to suspend the rules and proceed to the final reading on Ordinance No. 2021-44. Ms. Erlsten seconded the motion. The roll call resulted as follows: Dr. Fellner, yea, Ms. Erlsten, yea, Mr. Ivy, yea, Mr. Richart, yea, Mr. Triplett, yea, Ms. Ault, yea, Mr. Bodkins, yea. Motion carried 7-0.

Mr. Triplett made the motion to pass Ordinance No. 2021-44. Mr. Bodkins seconded the motion. The roll call on Ordinance No. 2021-44 resulted as follows: Mr. Triplett, yea, Mr. Bodkins, yea, Ms. Erlsten, yea, Dr. Fellner, yea, Mr. Richart, yea, Mr. Ivy, yea, Ms. Ault, yea. Motion carried 7-0 and Ordinance No. 2021-44 passed for final reading.

**Ordinance No. 2021-45 (First Reading)**

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

Dr. Fellner made the motion to suspend the rules and proceed to the final reading on Ordinance No. 2021-45. Ms. Erlsten seconded the motion. The roll call resulted as follows: Dr. Fellner, yea, Ms. Erlsten, yea, Mr. Ivy, yea, Mr. Richart, yea, Mr. Triplett, yea, Ms. Ault, yea, Mr. Bodkins, yea. Motion carried 7-0.

Dr. Fellner made the motion to pass Ordinance No. 2021-45. Mr. Ivy seconded the motion. The roll call on Ordinance No. 2021-45 resulted as follows: Dr. Fellner, yea, Mr. Ivy, yea, Mr. Richart, yea, Mr. Triplett, yea, Ms. Ault, yea, Mr. Bodkins, yea, Ms. Erlsten, yea. Motion carried 7-0 and Ordinance No. 2021-45 passed for final reading.

**Ordinance No. 2021-46 (First Reading)**

An ordinance establishing the Health Department Mosquito Grant Fund (231), and declaring an emergency.

Mr. Richart made the motion to suspend the rules and proceed to the final reading on Ordinance No. 2021-46. Ms. Erlsten seconded the motion. The roll call resulted as follows: Mr. Richart, yea, Ms. Erlsten, yea, Dr. Fellner, yea, Mr. Triplett, yea, Ms. Ault, yea, Mr. Bodkins, yea, Mr. Ivy, yea. Motion carried 7-0.

Mr. Triplett made the motion to pass Ordinance No. 2021-46. Mr. Richart seconded the motion. The roll call on Ordinance No. 2021-46 resulted as follows: Mr. Triplett, yea, Mr. Richart, yea, Ms. Ault, yea, Mr. Bodkins, yea, Ms. Erlsten, yea, Dr. Fellner, yea, Mr. Ivy, yea. Motion carried 7-0 and Ordinance No. 2021-46 passed for a final reading.

**Resolution No. 2021-11 (First Reading)**

A Resolution approving the appointment of Chad Miller to the Galion Port Authority Board of Directors, and declaring an emergency.

Dr. Fellner made the motion to suspend the rules and proceed to the final reading on Resolution No. 2021-11. Ms. Erlsten seconded the motion. The roll call resulted as follows: Dr. Fellner, yea, Ms. Erlsten, yea, Mr. Ivy, yea, Mr. Richart, yea, Mr. Triplett, yea, Ms. Ault, yea, Mr. Bodkins, yea. Motion carried 7-0.

Mr. Triplett made the motion to pass Resolution 2021-11. Mr. Ivy seconded the motion. The roll call on Resolution No. 2021-11 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 Resolution No. 2021-11 passed for a final reading.

**Resolution No. 2021-12 (First Reading)**

A Resolution approving and ratifying the prior acts of the Department Heads and the 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. 2021-12. Mr. Richart seconded the motion. The roll call resulted as follows: Dr. Fellner, yea, Mr. Richart, yea, Mr. Triplett, yea, Ms. Ault, yea, Mr. Bodkins, yea, Ms. Erlsten, yea, Mr. Ivy, yea. Motion carried 7-0.

Mr. Triplett made the motion to pass Resolution 2021-12. Mr. Richart seconded the motion. The roll call on Resolution No. 2021-12 resulted as follows: Mr. Triplett, yea, Mr. Richart, yea, Ms. Ault, yea, Mr. Bodkins, yea, Ms. Erlsten, yea, Dr. Fellner, yea, Mr. Ivy, yea. Motion carried 7-0 and Resolution No. 2021-12 passed for a final reading.

**Resolution No. 2021-13 (First Reading)**

A Resolution approving the appointment of Amanda Moran to the Galion City Health Board, as appointed by the city Mayor and declaring an emergency.

Mr. Richart made the motion to suspend the rules and proceed to the final reading on Resolution No. 2021-13. Ms. Erlsten seconded the motion. The roll call resulted as follows: Mr. Richart, yea, Ms. Erlsten, yea, Dr. Fellner, yea, Mr. Ivy, yea, Mr. Triplett, yea, Ms. Ault, abstain\*, Mr. Bodkins, yea. Motion carried 7-0.

Mr. Triplett made the motion to pass Resolution 2021-13. Mr. Ivy seconded the motion. The roll call on Resolution No. 2021-13 resulted as follows: Mr. Triplett, yea, Mr. Ivy, yea, Mr. Richart, yea, Ms. Ault,

abstain\*, Mr. Bodkins, yea, Ms. Erlsten, yea, Dr. Fellner, yea. Motion carried 7-0 and Resolution No. 2021-13 passed for a final reading.

Upcoming committees:

Laws, Ordinances, Zoning, and Permits – June 1, 2021 at 7:00 p.m. via Zoom

Utilities – June 2, 2021 at 7:00 p.m. in Council Chambers

Parks and Recreation –

Finance –

Police, Fire and Health –

Economic Development and Airport –

Streets, Alleys, Trees, & Bridges –

Other Business

Nothing

Auditor's Report

Nothing

Treasurer's Report

Not in attendance

Director of Law

Nothing

Mayor's Report

ODOT Portland Way project has had a cost increase of over \$100k. Looking at options.

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 8:12 p.m.

**Carl W. Watt, President of Council**

**Julie L. Bell, Clerk of Council**

\*amended - see minutes of June 8, 2021