

**GALION CITY COUNCIL  
MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING  
August 9, 2022 at 7:00 p.m.**

The August 9, 2022 meeting of Galion City Council was called to order by President Pro Tempore Michael Richart. The Pledge of Allegiance was followed by an invocation from Pastor Joe Stafford from Wesley Chapel.

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

Mr. Bodkins made the motion to excuse Dr. Thomas Fellner and Mr. Eric Webber. Ms. Durbin 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 Safety-Service Director Ward.

President Pro Tempore Richart asked for a motion to approve the minutes from the July 26, 2022 regular meeting. Ms. Ault made the motion to approve the minutes. Ms. Zeger seconded. Motion carried 6-0.

President Pro Tempore Richart asked to add Ordinance 2022-60 to the agenda. Ms. Ault made the motion to add Ordinance No. 2022-60 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, Ms. Frank, yea, Mr. Richart, yea, Ms. Zeger. Motion carried 6-0.

President Pro Tempore Richart asked to add Ordinance 2022-61 to the agenda. Ms. Zeger made the motion to add Ordinance No. 2022-61 to the agenda. Ms. Ault seconded the motion. The roll call on the motion resulted as follows: Ms. Ault, yea, Mr. Bodkins, yea, Ms. Durbin, yea, Ms. Frank, yea, Mr. Richart, yea, Ms. Zeger. Motion carried 6-0.

President Pro Tempore Richart asked to add Ordinance 2022-64 to the agenda. Ms. Frank made the motion to add Ordinance No. 2022-64 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, Ms. Frank, yea, Mr. Richart, yea, Ms. Zeger. Motion carried 6-0.

President Pro Tempore Richart asked to add Ordinance 2022-65 to the agenda. Ms. Zeger made the motion to add Ordinance No. 2022-65 to the agenda. Ms. Frank seconded the motion. The roll call on the motion resulted as follows: Ms. Ault, yea, Mr. Bodkins, yea, Ms. Durbin, yea, Ms. Frank, yea, Mr. Richart, yea, Ms. Zeger. Motion carried 6-0.

President Pro Tempore Richart asked to add Ordinance 2022-66 to the agenda. Ms. Zeger made the motion to add Ordinance No. 2022-66 to the agenda. Ms. Frank seconded the motion. The roll call on the motion resulted as follows: Ms. Ault, abstain, Mr. Bodkins, yea, Ms. Durbin, abstain, Ms. Frank, yea, Mr. Richart, yea, Ms. Zeger. Motion carried 4-0 with 2 abstentions.

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

**Citizen Participation**

Patty Robinett, 10 Public Square wanted to address council about the Central Hotel. She was informed that the city is not yet the owner and any issues would have to be taken up with current owners / management. Once under city ownership questions and concerns should be directed to the Safety Service Director Nikki Ward.

## **Legislation**

### **Ordinance No. 2022-55 (Second Reading)**

An Ordinance authorizing the Safety-Service Director to purchase under the State Purchasing Program, pursuant to R.C. 125.04 (B) without competitive bidding, Aquaflex Splash Pad surfacing from Penchura for the Splash Park, and declaring an emergency.

Ms. Ault made the motion to suspend the rules and proceed to the final reading on Ordinance No. 2022-55. Ms. Zeger seconded the motion. The roll call on the motion resulted as follows: Ms. Ault, yea, Ms. Zeger, yea, Mr. Bodkins, yea, Ms. Durbin, yea, Ms. Frank, yea, Mr. Richart, yea. Motion carried 6-0.

Ms. Zeger made the motion to pass Ordinance No. 2022-55. Ms. Durbin seconded the motion. The roll call on Ordinance No. 2022-55 resulted as follow: Ms. Zeger, yea, Ms. Durbin, yea, Ms. Frank, yea, Mr. Richart, yea, Ms. Ault, yea, Mr. Bodkins, yea. Motion carried 6-0 and Ordinance No. 2022-55 passed for a final reading.

### **Ordinance No. 2022-60 (First Reading)**

An Ordinance authorizing and directing the Safety-Service Director execute a Housing Revolving Loan Fund Administration Agreement with the Ohio Department of Development, and declaring an emergency.

Ms. Ault made the motion to suspend the rules and proceed to the final reading on Ordinance No. 2022-60. Ms. Zeger seconded the motion. The roll call on the motion resulted as follows: Ms. Ault, yea, Ms. Zeger, yea, Mr. Bodkins, yea, Ms. Durbin, yea, Ms. Frank, yea, Mr. Richart, yea. Motion carried 6-0.

Ms. Zeger made the motion to pass Ordinance No. 2022-60. Ms. Durbin seconded the motion. The roll call on Ordinance No. 2022-60 resulted as follow: Ms. Zeger, yea, Ms. Durbin, yea, Ms. Frank, yea, Mr. Richart, yea, Ms. Ault, yea, Mr. Bodkins, yea. Motion carried 6-0 and Ordinance No. 2022-60 passed for a final reading.

### **Ordinance No. 2022-61 (First Reading)**

An Ordinance accepting Opioid Settlement Funds and directing placement of such funds in a separate fund, and declaring an emergency.

Ms. Zeger made the motion to suspend the rules and proceed to the final reading on Ordinance No. 2022-61. Ms. Frank seconded the motion. The roll call on the motion resulted as follows: Ms. Zeger, yea, Ms. Frank, yea, Mr. Richart, yea, Ms. Ault, yea, Mr. Bodkins, yea, Ms. Durbin, yea. Motion carried 6-0.

Ms. Zeger made the motion to pass Ordinance No. 2022-61. Ms. Ault seconded the motion. The roll call on Ordinance No. 2022-61 resulted as follow: Ms. Zeger, yea, Ms. Ault, yea, Mr. Bodkins, yea, Ms. Durbin, yea, Ms. Frank, yea, Mr. Richart, yea. Motion carried 6-0 and Ordinance No. 2022-61 passed for a final reading.

### **Ordinance No. 2022-62 (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 Phase I Water Treatment Plant Improvement Project, to proceed, authorizing payment therefor, and declaring an emergency.

Ms. Ault made the motion to suspend the rules and proceed to the final reading on Ordinance No. 2022-62. Ms. Frank seconded the motion. The roll call on the motion resulted as follows: Ms. Ault, 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 Ordinance No. 2022-62. Ms. Ault seconded the motion. The roll call on Ordinance No. 2022-62 resulted as follow: Ms. Zeger, yea, Ms. Ault, yea, Mr. Bodkins, yea, Ms. Durbin, yea, Ms. Frank, yea, Mr. Richart, yea. Motion carried 6-0 and Ordinance No. 2022-62 passed for a final reading.

### **Ordinance No. 2022-63 (First Reading)**

An Ordinance setting the Power Cost Adjustment as required per Ordinance No. 2015-39, and declaring an emergency.

The Ordinance was held to a First Reading.

**Ordinance No. 2022-64 (First Reading)**

An Ordinance amending Section 3 of Ordinance No. 2022-4 which amended Ordinance No. 2021-114 (Permanent 2022 Appropriations) by advancing and transferring funds in various funds and declaring an emergency.

Ms. Zeger made the motion to suspend the rules and proceed to the final reading on Ordinance No. 2022-64. Ms. Ault seconded the motion. The roll call on the motion resulted as follows: Ms. Zeger, yea Ms. Ault, yea, Mr. Bodkins, yea, Ms. Durbin, yea, Ms. Frank, yea, Mr. Richart, yea. Motion carried 6-0.

Ms. Zeger made the motion to pass Ordinance No. 2022-64. Ms. Frank seconded the motion. The roll call on Ordinance No. 2022-64 resulted as follow: Ms. Zeger, yea, Ms. Frank, yea, Mr. Richart, yea, Ms. Ault, yea, Mr. Bodkins, yea, Ms. Durbin, yea. Motion carried 6-0 and Ordinance No. 2022-64 passed for a final reading.

**Ordinance No. 2022-65 (First Reading)**

An Ordinance establishing rates for the purchase of engraved bricks for the Park Square Project, and declaring an emergency.

Ms. Frank made the motion to suspend the rules and proceed to the final reading on Ordinance No. 2022-65. Ms. Zeger seconded the motion. The roll call on the motion resulted as follows: Ms. Frank, yea, Ms. Ault, yea, Mr. Bodkins, yea, Ms. Durbin, yea, Mr. Richart, yea, Ms. Zeger, yea. Motion carried 6-0.

Mr. Richart made the motion to pass Ordinance No. 2022-65. Ms. Frank seconded the motion. The roll call on Ordinance No. 2022-65 resulted as follow: Mr. Richart, yea, Ms. Frank, yea, Ms. Zeger, yea, Ms. Ault, yea, Mr. Bodkins, yea, Ms. Durbin, yea. Motion carried 6-0 and Ordinance No. 2022-65 passed for a final reading.

**Other Business**

- Laws, Ordinances, Zoning, and Permits – September 6, 2022 at 7:00 p.m.
- Utilities – September 7, 2022, 7:00 p.m.
- Parks and Recreation – August 10, 2022 at 7:00 p.m. at Heise Park - CANCELLED
- Streets, Alleys, Trees, and Bridges – August 11, 2022 – 6:30 p.m. (new time)
- Economic Development and Airport – August 16, 2022 – 7:00 p.m.
- Finance – August 17, 2022 – at 7:00 p.m.
- Police, Fire, and Health – August 18, 2022 - 7:00 p.m.

**Auditor’s Report**

Handed out reports and discussed. Perry and Associates will be here doing the audit the next few days. Don’t know when the State Auditor’s will be here for the reconciliations. Brian stated that he is a Volleyball official. He is adjusting his schedule to be here for council meetings. May not be able to make some committee meetings. Encouraged members to talk to him about the PCA. Call or stop in. Ms. Frank wondered if she could get the information in an email.

**Treasurer’s Report**

Not in attendance.

**Director of Law**

Nothing

**Mayor’s Report**

Stated that he would not be part of the executive session. Cautioned council to make sure money is there.

Bucyrus Road Materials will be here to sign for the 2022 paving. Smaller one awarded. South St. is not included. North part of South Street is worse than expected.

Brandt Road project is important to set the bid date.

## **Executive Session**

Ms. Zeger made the motion to go into executive session to discuss pending or imminent court action. Mr. Bodkins seconded the motion. The roll call resulted as follows: Ms. Zeger, yea, Mr. Bodkins, yea, Ms. Durbin, abstain, Ms. Frank, yea, Mr. Richart, yea, Ms. Ault, Abstain. Motion carried 4-0 with 2 abstentions. Council entered executive session at 8:15 p.m. Ms. Ault and Ms. Durbin were not in the executive session.

Ms. Zeger made the motion to exit executive session. Ms. Frank seconded the motion. The roll call resulted as follows: Ms. Zeger, yea, Ms. Frank, yea, Mr. Richart, yea, Ms. Ault, abstain, Mr. Bodkins, yea, Ms. Durbin, abstain. Motion carried 4-0 with 2 abstentions. Council resumed regular session at 9:00 p.m.

## **Legislation**

### **Ordinance No. 2022-66 (First Reading)**

An Ordinance authorizing the Director of Law to hire and pay for legal representation for Galion City Council and/or a member of City Council, and declaring an emergency.

The Ordinance was held to a First Reading.

### **President of Council**

Nothing

There being no further business to discuss President Pro Tempore Richart asked for a motion to adjourn. Mr. Bodkins made the motion and Ms. Zeger seconded. The motion carried and the meeting adjourned at 9:01 p.m.

**Michael J. Richart, President Pro Tempore**

**Julie L Bell, Clerk of Council**