

**GALION CITY COUNCIL
MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING
November 8, 2022 at 7:00 p.m.**

The November 8, 2022 meeting of Galion City Council was called to order by President of Council Eric Webber. The Pledge of Allegiance was followed by an invocation from Pastor Heather McLeod.

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

Mr. Richart made the motion to excuse Ms. Paula Durbin. Mr. Bodkins seconded. 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 SSD Ward.

President Webber asked for a motion to approve the minutes from the October 25, 2022 regular meeting. Ms. Ault made the motion to approve the minutes. Ms. Zeger seconded. Motion carried 6-0.

President Webber asked to add Resolution No. 2022-14 to the agenda. Dr. Fellner made the motion to add Resolution No. 2022-14 to the agenda. Mr. Richart seconded the motion. The roll call on the motion resulted as follows: Ms. Ault, yea, Mr. Bodkins, yea, Dr. Fellner, yea, Ms. Frank, yea, Mr. Richart, yea, Ms. Zeger, yea. Motion carried 6-0.

Ordinance No. 2022-90 was not added to the agenda.

Dr. Fellner made the motion to approve the agenda as amended which was seconded by Ms. Ault. Motion carried 6-0.

Citizen Participation

Mr. Steve Rowan, 1130 State Route 61, Galion, Ohio thanked the city for the street lighting installed on SR 61.

Legislation

Ordinance No. 2022-73 (First Reading)

An Ordinance an Ordinance establishing Section 567 of the Galion City Ordinances pertaining to consumer grade fireworks.

Ordinance No. 2022-73 was held to a First Reading.

Ordinance No. 2022-89 (First Reading)

An Ordinance authorizing the Safety-Service Director to execute and file a petition with the Board of County Commissioners of Crawford County to annex to the City of Galion 48.577 acres, more or less, of city-owned land, and declaring an emergency.

Ordinance No. 2022-89 was held to a First Reading.

Ordinance No. 2022-91 (First Reading)

An Ordinance authorizing the Safety-Service Director to execute an agreement between the Auditor of State Keith Faber and the City of Galion for Local Government Services to reconcile cash journals for the period of January 1 through December 31, 2022, and declaring an emergency.

Mr. Richart made the motion to suspend the rules and proceed to the final reading on Ordinance No. 2022-91. 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, Dr. Fellner, yea, Ms. Frank, yea. Motion carried 6-0.

Mr. Richart made the motion to pass Ordinance No. 2022-91. Ms. Zeger seconded the motion. The roll call on Ordinance No. 2022-91 resulted as follow: Mr. Richart, yea, Ms. Zeger, yea, Ms. Ault, yea, Mr. Bodkins, yea, Dr. Fellner, yea, Ms. Frank, yea. Motion carried 6-0 and Ordinance No. 2022-91 passed for a final reading.

Resolution No. 2022-14 (First Reading)

A Resolution approving and ratifying the prior acts of the Department Heads and Safety-Service Director and approving “Then and Now” certificates for said expenditures, and declaring an emergency.

Dr. Fellner made the motion to suspend the rules and proceed to the final reading on Resolution No. 2022-14. Ms. Frank seconded the motion. The roll call on the motion resulted as follows: Dr. Fellner, yea, Ms. Frank, yea, Mr. Richart, yea, Ms. Zeger, yea, Ms. Ault, yea, Mr. Bodkins, yea. Motion carried 6-0.

Mr. Richart made the motion to pass Resolution No. 2022-14. Mr. Bodkins seconded the motion. The roll call on Resolution No. 2022-14 resulted as follow: Mr. Richart, yea, Mr. Bodkins, yea, Dr. Fellner, yea, Ms. Frank, yea, Ms. Zeger, yea, Ms. Ault, yea. Motion carried 6-0 and Resolution No. 2022-14 passed for a final reading.

Other Business

Laws, Ordinances, Zoning, and Permits –

Utilities –

Parks and Recreation – November 9, 2022, 2022 at 7:00 p.m.

Streets, Alleys, Trees, and Bridges – November 10, 2022 – 6:30 p.m.

Economic Development and Airport – November 15, 2022 – 7:00 p.m.

Finance – November 16, 2022 – at 7:00 p.m.

Police, Fire, and Health – November 17, 2022 - 7:00 p.m.

Auditor’s Report

Auditor Saterfield passed out the financial reports and discussed. The negative numbers will be addressed with the month to month transfers that have not been completed yet. Will get hard number on 605 account for budgeting purposes. Council received an email regarding Credit Card statements. Will get reports monthly. Payments are withdrawn automatically. Not all expenses have been updated in the system yet. Ms. Ault stated that she requested on Friday and appreciated the timely response.

Treasurer’s Report

Not in attendance

Director of Law

Nothing

Mayor’s Report

Patching is substantially done.

Half way through 2022 Street Paving

SR 598 moving along as well as can be expected. Weather will determine how much asphalt gets put down.

Leaf pick-up will continue as weather permits.

Vacancies have not been filled in various offices.

Executive Session

Mr. Richart made the motion to go into executive session to review collective bargaining strategies. Mr. Bodkins seconded the motion. The roll call resulted as follows: Mr. Richart, yea, Mr. Bodkins, yea, Dr. Fellner, yea, Ms. Frank, yea, Ms. Zeger, yea, Ms. Ault, yea. Motion carried 6-0. Council entered executive session at 8:11 p.m.

Ms. Frank made the motion to exit executive session. Ms. Zeger seconded the motion. The roll call resulted as follows: Ms. Frank, yea, Ms. Zeger, yea, Ms. Ault, yea, Mr. Bodkins, yea, Dr. Fellner, yea, Mr. Richart, yea

Motion carried 6-0. Council resumed regular session at 8:39 p.m. Executive Session did not produce any items to be acted upon at this time.

President of Council

Thanked Mr. Richart for filling in for him when he was ill last meeting.

There being no further business to discuss President of Council Webber asked for a motion to adjourn. Ms. Frank made the motion and Ms. Zeger seconded. The motion carried and the meeting adjourned at 8:41 p.m.

Eric Webber, President of Council

Julie L Bell, Clerk of Council