

This Regular Meeting of Council was called to order on Monday, October 9, 2023 at 7:59 p.m. by Jon Hannan, Council President.

PRESENT: Jon Hannan, Justin Ring, Anthony Lombardo, Marianne Glenn, Jennifer Wagner, Julie Field, Steve Michniak

ABSENT: None.

ALSO PRESENT: Glenn Broska, Mayor
Frank Beni, Law Director
Patricia Wain, Police Chief
Rob Reinholz, Fire Chief
Matt Miller, Finance Director
Bill Miller, Service Director
Justin Czekaj, Municipal Engineer
John Cieszkowski, Planning Director
Patrick O'Malia, Economic Development Director
Greg Mytinger, Parks and Recreation Director
Shawna Lockhart-Reese, HR Manager
Matt Coffman, IT Network Administrator
Caroline Kremer, Clerk of Council

Disposition of Minutes

MOTION: TO ACCEPT THE SPECIAL COUNCIL WORK SESSION MINUTES OF JUNE 9, 2022 AND REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES OF SEPTEMBER 25, 2023 AS WRITTEN.

Moved by Mr. Lombardo, seconded by Ms. Glenn. Upon voice vote, **motion carried.** The June 9, 2022 meeting was almost two hours of discussion that came out as almost 10 legal size pages specifically about "are we; aren't we; how are we" going to do a Parks and Senior Community Center complex.

Citizens' Comments

None.

Reports/Communications from Depts/Boards/Commissions

Mr. O'Malia gave an update on the Mr. Freeze project which was a cold storage warehouse for Restaurant Depot. They were originally slated to begin construction this fall, but because of supply chain issues and other material considerations the construction had been pushed back to spring of 2024. He did not want to reopen the contract or put at risk the fact that Streetsboro gave up a very minimal amounts of tax dollars, and the City had not yet invoiced them for the \$30,000 in cash that was secured as part of the incentive package. This was to formally notified Council that commencement of that project would begin in spring 2024.

Mr. Czekaj gave an update on the work at the City Center. Most of the oval had been dug out and they were starting on site utilities. During this process they found a giant pit that was full of concrete and other types of spoils that were from the old Grange Hall building that used to be on that site in front of the old Wise School/City Hall. He wanted City Council to be aware of this incident because it may lead to a change order. He added that the positive news was that it was all clean fill so they could use it for the mound to be established at the east side of the property to make the mound a little bigger, and hopefully it would then be where someone would not build something in the future and have to deal with it again.

He said now that everyone had decided to move forward with the amenities package, there were a couple things to consider. He said two things could be pulled out of the amenities package to

be put into the infrastructure package that was currently in progress, one was lighting. Lighting had been pulled out of the infrastructure package to save money for this first part of the City Center project, but he has since learned that they really couldn't pour the light pole foundations without the light pole bolts and bolt patterns which they wouldn't get until they purchased the lights, so the lights should really be purchased now instead of waiting for the amenities package to begin construction. That would definitely be a change order to the infrastructure package to be considered by Council, but he did not have the pricing yet.

He added that he hoped to get trees planted and growing in the center of the oval this fall to get them established before doing all the other features of the City Center site, but they may run out of time this year. The position of the trees would not be bothered by the future construction items.

Mr. Czekaj added that the administration team had been meeting internally on finishing the City Center site with the passive park, the oval, etc. and how to potentially apply for State funds that State Rep. Gail Pavliga had mentioned. He had asked EDG to give the team a design proposal on that. That would be a change order on their contract as well if Council wanted to go forward with that. The design plans were needed ASAP to determine costs and then be able to apply for the State funds.

Mr. Czekaj gave an update on the damaged new asphalt on Stonegate Drive. He said tearing it out or doing any kind of major repair was unwarranted, so they were looking to find some kind of sealer to prevent the damage from turning into potholes, but it depended on the weather if it could be done yet this year.

Mr. Cieszkowski asked Council to add a Special Service Committee Meeting to the night of October 23, 2023 to accommodate a presentation from Rick Stein, Urban Decision Group, who has been working on market analysis for Streetsboro. Mr. Cieszkowski said Mr. Stein would present his results to Council specifically for car washes and hotels, and then the City could move forward with zoning related tweaks and changes based on the market analysis prior to the expiration [February 2024] of the existing moratorium. He said they didn't want to move forward with any zoning text amendments at Planning Commission until City Council had heard the report from Mr. Stein. Mr. Stein would be available on October 23, 2023 so a Special Service Committee Meeting would be needed that night.

Mr. Mytinger announced that the Leadership Portage County Beer Festival would be this Saturday, October 14, 2023 at City Park with 11 local beer vendors from Portage County and 3 food vendors from noon to 6 p.m. The first official Streetsboro Pickleball Tournament, called Dinks and Drinks, will coincide with the Beer Festival at City Park on Saturday; 28 participants were currently signed up but there was room for more. Trunk or Treat would be Thursday, October 19, 2023 at City Park from 6-8 p.m. with over 35 local vendors participating, and a spooky flying ghost and graveyard scene set up in the park.

Bill Miller announced that hydrant flushing would start Monday, October 16, 2023 for about two weeks and then be followed immediately by leaf pickup at the end of October.

Chief Reinholz reported that last Saturday the Fire Department was at Home Depot for a fire safety event. There had been an active shooter drill tabletop preparation at the Police Department with the Schools and Service Department too to prepare for the October 27 active drill. The tanker went to Chagrin Falls for a mutual aid fire call. Chief Reinholz met with the Turnpike staff to talk about improving cooperation on the Turnpike. The City's SAFER grant application was denied by the Federal government. There would be a meeting on Wednesday, October 11, 2023 with the County EMA about the safety concerns regarding traffic, etc. during the solar eclipse on April 8, 2024; the hotels were starting to fill up already for that event. Chief Reinholz also reported there would be a live fire drill at the Tri-C burn building on November 30, 2023 with the City's mutual aid fire partners to practice working together and Council Members were

welcome to attend and get geared up to enter the fire scene to experience what firefighters do. This experience would also help with the City's Insurance Services Office (ISO) rating, which was currently 2 (up from 5 in the past).

Chief Wain reported the department's new pickup truck was now up and running as part of the fleet, as the Supervisor's vehicle to be used by the Sergeants. The Police Department swore in Camden Faulisi as the newest officer last Monday; he was a brand-new officer fresh out of the Police Academy, but was doing very well. Officers were stepping up enforcement patrols on SR 14 which had been busy and was going well; they would try to continue this, but financially it was taking up a lot of hours and may not be sustainable. The Police Officers would be out at several Halloween events this year: Trunk or Treat, Autism Society of Greater Akron (for sensory sensitive kids), State Patrols/Portage County at Maplewood Career Center, and Trick or Treat night where the officers would hand out candy and glow sticks. The Officers Association would accept donations to help with supplies for these events.

Introduction of Legislation Containing Statement of Emergency

MOTION: TO SUSPEND THE RULE OF THREE READINGS FOR T-7480, T-7481, T-7482, T-7483, AND T-7487.

Moved by Mr. Ring, seconded by Mrs. Field. Upon roll call vote, **motion carried unanimously.**

T-7480 AN ORDINANCE AMENDING ORDINANCE NO. 2022-185, THE 2023 ANNUAL APPROPRIATION ORDINANCE. [#11]

Clerk read by title as directed.

MOTION: TO ADOPT ORDINANCE NO. 2023-129.

Moved by Mrs. Field, seconded by Mr. Lombardo. Upon roll call, **motion carried unanimously.**

T-7481 AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO ENTER INTO A CONTRACT WITH LEVELHEADS, INC. FOR ARCHITECTURAL AND CONSTRUCTION DESIGN OF A NEW CITY HALL, AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY TO ALLOW THE COMMENCEMENT OF SERVICES AS SOON AS POSSIBLE.

Clerk read by title as directed.

MOTION: TO ADOPT ORDINANCE NO. 2023-130.

Moved by Mrs. Field, seconded by Mr. Lombardo. Upon roll call, **motion carried unanimously.**

T-7482 AN ORDINANCE ACCEPTING TEMPORARY CONSTRUCTION EASEMENT FROM STREETSBORO GREEN LIMITED PARTNERSHIP, AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY TO PROCEED WITH CONSTRUCTION IMPROVEMENT IMMEDIATELY.

Clerk read by title as directed.

MOTION: TO ADOPT ORDINANCE NO. 2023-131.

Moved by Mrs. Field, seconded by Mr. Lombardo. Upon roll call, **motion carried unanimously.**

T-7483 AN ORDINANCE ALLOWING CRAFT BEER TO BE SOLD, SERVED, DISPENSED AND CONSUMED AT A ONE DAY CRAFT BEER FESTIVAL TO BE HELD AT STREETSBORO CITY PARK ON OCTOBER 14, 2023, AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY SO THAT THE NECESSARY PERMITS CAN BE OBTAINED.

Clerk read by title as directed.

MOTION: TO ADOPT ORDINANCE NO. 2023-132.

Moved by Mr. Michniak, seconded by Mr. Lombardo. Upon roll call, **motion carried unanimously.**

T-7487 AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE CITY ENGINEER TO APPLY FOR AND ACCEPT FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE IN THE FORM OF A GRANT OR LOAN FROM THE OHIO PUBLIC WORKS COMMISSION TO SUPPORT THE REPAIR AND RESURFACING OF PAGE ROAD (I-80) TO SR 303), LUKE DRIVE, BARTLETT ROAD, AND ELLIMAN ROAD (FROST TO CITY LIMITS), AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY IN ORDER TO EXPEDITE THE GRANT OR LOAN APPLICATION PROCESS.

Clerk read by title as directed.

MOTION: TO ADOPT ORDINANCE NO. 2023-133.

Moved by Mrs. Field, seconded by Mr. Lombardo. Upon roll call, **motion carried unanimously.**

First Reading

T-7484 AN ORDINANCE AMENDING SECTIONS 1151.23, 1152.02, 1155.03 AND 1159.08 OF TITLE FIVE, PART ELEVEN (PLANNING AND ZONING CODE) OF THE CODIFIED ORDINANCES (Fences, Site Plan Review, Parking, Temporary Signs).

Clerk read by title as directed for first reading.

T-7485 AN ORDINANCE AMENDING SECTION 1137.02 OF TITLE THREE, PART THIRTEEN OF THE CODIFIED ORDINANCES, RELATING TO PROPERTY LINE FENCES.

Clerk read by title as directed for first reading.

T-7486 AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CERTAIN PROVISIONS OF THE CITY OF STREETSBORO'S CODIFIED ORDINANCES CHAPTER 149 FEES AND PERMIT CHARGES.

Clerk read by title as directed for first reading.

Second Reading

None.

Third Reading

None.

Mayor's Report

None; the Mayor said the department heads gave good updates on everything tonight, so he did not have anything to report.

President of Council's Comments

Mr. Hannan said the progress on the Community Center looked great and so did the City Center area. He looked forward to the opening of the Community Center this winter.

Council Members' Comments

None.

Announcements

The Leadership Portage County 2nd Annual Beer Festival will be Saturday, October 14, 2023 from noon to 6 p.m. in City Park.

Streetsboro Trunk or Treat will be Thursday, October 19, 2023 from 6-8 p.m. in City Park.

There will be a Finance Committee, a Special Service Committee, and a Regular Council Meeting on Monday, October 23, 2023 starting at 7:00 p.m. in Council Chambers.

There being no further business to come before this Council, and upon motion by Mr. Ring, seconded by Mr. Michniak, this meeting adjourned at 8:25 p.m.

ATTEST:

Caroline L. Kremer, Clerk of Council

Jon Hannan, Council President