

BRYAN CITY COUNCIL

JUNE 1, 2020

Council President F. John Betts opened the meeting via teleconference with the following members present via teleconference: Jim Kozumplik, Mary Leatherman, Judith Yahraus, and Richard Hupe. Also present in the Council Chambers were: Mayor Carrie Schlade and City Clerk-Treasurer Laura Rode. Other City employees participating via teleconference include: City Attorney Rhonda Fisher, City Engineer Brian Wieland, Police Chief Christopher Chapa, Street Commissioner Tyson Engstrom, Fire Chief Bruce Siders, Parks and Recreation Director Benjamin Dominique, and Local Programming and Production Lead Eric Herman.

Mrs. Yahraus moved, Ms. Leatherman seconded, to approve the minutes from the May 18, 2020, Regular Meeting as written. Roll call vote: all ayes; nays, none. Motion carried.

Discussion was held regarding the Designated Outdoor Refreshment Area (DORA) movement afoot in the City of Bryan. Mayor Schlade informed Council that Mr. Dan Yahraus and/or Mr. Bob Golding had planned to be on the teleconference. Mr. Yahraus called in. Williams County Commissioner Hilkert also participated via teleconference as he was interested in the discussion regarding the Designated Outdoor Refreshment Area (DORA) proposal.

Council President Betts reviewed that there were now three (3) potential maps for a Designated Outdoor Refreshment Area (DORA) district in Bryan to which Mr. Yahraus confirmed adding that Council can modify the plan if they wish. Council member Yahraus inquired if excluding Sundays and having decreased applicable hours had been added to which Mr. Yahraus reiterated that there were no changes to the original proposal other than the potential three (3) maps.

Council President Betts inquired as to the County's position on the Courthouse to which Commissioner Hilkert replied that he felt the Designated Outdoor Refreshment Area (DORA) proposal should be presented to the Williams County Commissioners in open session. Further discussion was then held regarding possible voting issues due to ethical conflicts of interest relating to the Bryan Area Chamber of Commerce for Council members Leatherman and Kozumplik as well as a potential ethical voting conflict for Council member Yahraus. Council President Betts then asked Mr. Yahraus if the Bryan Area Chamber of Commerce would profit from the Designated Outdoor Refreshment Area (DORA) to which Mr. Yahraus replied that the Bryan Area Chamber of Commerce will make no profit from this. Further discussion was held.

Further discussion was held pertaining to petitions against the Designated Outdoor Refreshment Area (DORA) with Council President Betts noting that the number of signatures from Bryan was 88 of 247. Mr. Yahraus asked if an article on Bowling Green was forwarded to Council which Mayor Schlade replied that it was. President Betts

commented that Bowling Green is very different from Bryan especially considering their student base. It was reiterated that several issues regarding the Designated Outdoor Refreshment Area (DORA) still need to be resolved.

Mr. Yahraus then informed Council that sadly the Jubilee was cancelled for 2020. All, however, expressed their excitement regarding the new businesses owned by Matt and Misty King moving into the former Peebles building downtown.

Ordinance No. 22, 2020, titled,

AN ORDINANCE TO AUTHORIZE THE MAYOR TO ENTER INTO A LEASE AGREEMENT WITH THE FOUR COUNTY CAREER CENTER, FOR THE PROPERTY LOCATED AT 1010 EAST WILSON STREET, BRYAN, OHIO, FOR THE PURPOSE OF EDUCATIONAL FACILITIES FOR THE FOUR COUNTY CAREER CENTER.

was presented and read by title only. Mayor Schalde requested that Council allow her to enter into a lease agreement with the Four County Career Center for the facility located at 1010 East Wilson Street in Bryan. If approved, this would be a two (2) year lease agreement beginning August 1, 2020.

Mrs. Yahraus moved, Ms. Leatherman seconded, to suspend the reading of Ordinance No. 22, 2020, on three separate days. Roll call vote: Yahraus, aye; Leatherman, aye; Kozumplik, aye; Hupe, abstain; Betts, aye. Motion carried.

Ms. Leatherman moved, Mr. Kozumplik seconded, to pass Ordinance No. 22, 2020. Roll call vote: Leatherman, aye; Kozumplik, aye; Yahraus, aye; Hupe, abstain; Betts, aye. Motion carried.

Resolution No. 22, 2020, titled,

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE CLERK-TREASURER TO ADVERTISE FOR BIDS FOR 600,000 REFUSE BAGS FOR THE CITY OF BRYAN TRASH PICKUP.

was presented and read by title only. Street Commissioner Engstrom requested Council's consideration to advertise for refuse bags necessary for City trash pickup. He further stated this is an annual request. Further discussion was held.

Mr. Kozumplik moved, Mrs. Yahraus seconded, to suspend the reading of Resolution No. 22, 2020, on three separate days. Roll call vote: all ayes; nays, none. Motion carried.

Mr. Hupe moved, Ms. Leatherman seconded, to pass Resolution No. 22, 2020. Roll call vote: all ayes; nays, none. Motion carried.

Resolution No. 23, 2020, titled,

A RESOLUTION PROVIDING FOR THE DISTRIBUTION AND MANAGEMENT OF FUNDS, FOR LOCAL SUBDIVISIONS, UNDER THE CORONAVIRUS AID RELIEF AND ECONOMIC SECURITY ACT. (CARES ACT)

was presented and read by title only. Mayor Schlade requested Council approve a resolution providing for the distribution and management of funds from the Coronavirus Aid Relief and Economic Security Act for COVID-19 related items. She added that staff would be participating in a webinar sponsored by the Ohio Municipal League on the subject soon. Further discussion was held with regard to the revolving loan fund as a program is rolling out locally for small businesses to submit applications for economic funding. Mayor Schlade instructed anyone interested to contact Maumee Valley Planning Organization. Further discussion was held.

Mrs. Yahraus moved, Mr. Kozumplik seconded, to suspend the reading of Resolution No. 23, 2020, on three separate days. Roll call vote: all ayes; nays, none. Motion carried.

Ms. Leatherman moved, Mr. Hupe seconded, to pass Resolution No. 23, 2020. Roll call vote: all ayes; nays, none. Motion carried.

Councilman Kozumplik reminded citizens to complete their census forms.

A brief recess was taken.

Mrs. Yahraus moved, Mr. Kozumplik seconded, to go into Executive Session to discuss the hiring of personnel and discipline of a public employee at 5:53 p.m. Roll call vote: all ayes; nays, none. Motion carried.

Asked to attend the Executive Session were: Mayor Schlade, City Attorney Fisher, Parks and Recreation Director Dominique, Street Commissioner Engstrom, Police Chief Chapa, and City Clerk-Treasurer Rode.

Parks and Recreation Director Dominique and Street Commissioner Engstrom exited the Executive Session at 6:07 p.m.

Mr. Kozumplik moved, Mrs. Yahraus seconded, to adjourn the Executive Session at 6:20 p.m. Roll call vote: all ayes; nays, none. Motion carried.

Mayor Schlade informed Council that some additional summer help was necessary for the Parks and Recreation Department as well as at Fountain Grove Cemetery. She then requested to hire Jerry Lemons and Bill Daugherty as seasonal workers to mow and maintain the Fountain Grove Cemetery.

Mr. Kozumplik moved, Mrs. Yahraus seconded, to hire Jerry Lemons and Bill Daugherty as seasonal workers at a rate of \$9.81 per hour and \$9.33 per hour, respectively. Roll call vote: all ayes; nays, none. Motion carried.

Mayor Schlade then requested Council's permission to hire Brooks Brown, Caleb Zuver, and Jaret Miller as seasonal part time employees for the Parks and Recreation Department.

Mr. Hupe moved, Ms. Leatherman seconded, to hire Brooks Brown, Caleb Zuver, and Jaret Miller as seasonal part time employees at a rate of \$8.70 per hour. Roll call vote: all ayes; nays, none. Motion carried.

Mayor Schlade also informed Council of the resignation of Police Dispatcher McKenzie Martinez effective May 29, 2020.

Mr. Kozumplik moved, Mr. Hupe seconded, to accept the resignation of Police Dispatcher McKenzie Martinez effective May 29, 2020. Roll call vote: all ayes; nays, none. Motion carried.

Mrs. Yahraus moved, Mr. Kozumplik seconded, to adjourn the meeting. Roll call vote: all ayes; nays, none. Motion carried.

President of Council

Clerk-Treasurer