

BRYAN CITY COUNCIL

JANUARY 18, 2022

Council President Jim Kozumplik opened the meeting with the following members present: F. John Betts, Judith Yahraus, Richard Hupe, and Mary Leatherman. Also attending were: Mayor Carrie Schlade, City Attorney Rhonda Fisher, Police Chief Greg Ruskey, Fire Chief Douglas Pool, City Engineer Brian Wieland, Street Commissioner Tyson Engstrom, Wastewater Superintendent Wes Wygant, Board of Public Affairs members Dick Long and Jim Salisbury, and Clerk-Treasurer Laura Rode.

A moment of silence was observed for City of Bryan Account Clerk III Shelley Armstrong who recently passed away as a result of a motor vehicle accident.

Mr. Betts moved, Ms. Leatherman seconded, to approve the minutes from the January 3, 2022, Regular Meeting as written. Roll call vote: all ayes; nays, none. Motion carried.

Mr. Betts moved, Mrs. Yahraus seconded, to approve the Clerk-Treasurer's report for the month ending December 31, 2021, as submitted by Clerk-Treasurer Rode. Roll call vote: all ayes; nays, none. Motion carried.

Ordinance No. 4, 2022, titled,

AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND THE CODIFIED ORDINANCES TO AMEND SECTIONS 181.012.2, AND 181.013(c) THEREOF TO PROVIDE FOR A REPLACEMENT LEVY OF NINE AND ONE-HALF (9 1/2) YEARS ENDING DECEMBER 31, 2032, ON EARNINGS AND INCOME SUBJECT TO THE MUNICIPAL INCOME TAX ON AND AFTER JUNE 1, 2023, FOR THE PURPOSE OF RETIREMENT OF ALL INDEBTEDNESS AND/OR EXPENSES FOR IMPROVEMENT TO THE STREETS AND SEWER SYSTEM OF THE CITY OF BRYAN, OHIO, AS MORE FULLY SET FORTH HEREIN, AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

was presented and read by title only. Mayor Schlade addressed Council to request approval for a replacement levy for the ½% income tax which has been in place for 38 years and will expire on June 1, 2023. She further explained that the levy will be on the May 3, 2022, ballot if approved and provided Council of the list of projects completed using ½% money since 1994. She also added emphasized that the tax was a renewal tax – not a new tax – for street and sewer infrastructure.

Mrs. Yahraus moved, Ms. Leatherman seconded, to suspend the reading of Ordinance No. 4, 2022, on three separate days. Roll call vote: all ayes; nays, none. Motion carried.

Mr. Betts moved, Mr. Hupe seconded, to pass Ordinance No. 4, 2022. Roll call vote: all ayes; nays, none. Motion carried.

Resolution No. 5, 2022, titled,

A RESOLUTION DECLARING THE NECESSITY OF AN ELECTION ON THE QUESTION, OF THE ENACTMENT OF AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND SECTIONS OF THE CODIFIED ORDINANCES RELATING TO INCOME TAX, TO PROVIDE FOR THE REPLACEMENT OF THE ADDITIONAL ONE-HALF OF ONE PERCENT (0.05%) ON AND AFTER JUNE 1, 2023 FOR NINE AND ONE-HALF (9 1/2) YEARS ENDING DECEMBER 31, 2032 ON EARNINGS AND INCOME SUBJECT TO THE MUNICIPAL INCOME TAX FOR THE PURPOSE OF RETIREMENT OF ALL INDEBTEDNESS AND/OR EXPENSES FOR THE IMPROVEMENTS OF THE CITY STREETS AND THE SEWER SYSTEM FOR THE CITY OF BRYAN, OHIO, AS MORE FULLY SET FORTH HEREIN, AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

was presented and read by title only. Mayor Schlade added that this resolution pertaining to the ½% income tax levy needs to be approved in order to have the language approved by the Secretary of State allowing the issue on the May 3, 2022, ballot.

Mr. Betts moved, Mr. Hupe seconded, to suspend the reading of Resolution No. 5, 2022, on three separate days. Roll call vote: all ayes; nays, none. Motion carried.

Ms. Leatherman moved, Mrs. Yahraus seconded, to pass Resolution No. 5, 2022. Roll call vote: all ayes; nays, none. Motion carried.

Ordinance No. 5, 2022, titled,

AN ORDINANCE TO AUTHORIZE THE BRYAN PARKS DEPARTMENT TO PURCHASE OUTDOOR ALUMINUM BLEACHERS FROM OUTDOOR ALUMINUM, INC., IN THE AMOUNT OF \$86,243.00, PURSUANT TO OHIO REV. CODE 9.48 THROUGH THE TIPS COOPERATIVE PURCHASING PROGRAM, THEREBY WAIVING THE COMPETITIVE BIDDING PROCESS PRESCRIBED BY OHIO REVISED CODE §127.16(B)(1).

was presented and read by title only. Mayor Schlade requested that Council authorize to purchase softball bleachers through TIPS Cooperative Purchasing Program waiving the competitive bidding process required by Ohio Revised Code §127.16(B)(1).

Ms. Leatherman moved, Mr. Hupe seconded, to suspend the reading of Ordinance No. 5, 2022, on three separate days. Roll call vote: all ayes; nays, none. Motion carried.

Mrs. Yahraus moved, Mr. Betts seconded, to pass Ordinance No. 5, 2022. Roll call vote: all ayes; nays, none. Motion carried.

Ordinance No. 6, 2022, titled,

AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING AN AGREEMENT WITH ARCADIS U.S. INC. FOR DESIGN ENGINEERING AND FUNDING ADMINISTRATION FOR THE WASTE WATER TREATMENT PLANT DEWATERING PROJECT, IN THE TOTAL AMOUNT OF \$247,500.00.

was presented and read by title only. Wastewater Superintendent Wygant requested Council's approval for an agreement with Arcadis U.S. Inc. for the design engineering and funding administration for the Wastewater dewatering project in the amount of \$247,500.

Mr. Betts moved, Mrs. Yahraus seconded, to suspend the reading of Ordinance No. 6, 2022, on three separate days. Roll call vote: all ayes; nays, none. Motion carried.

Ms. Leatherman moved, Mr. Hupe seconded, to pass Ordinance No. 6, 2022. Roll call vote: all ayes; nays, none. Motion carried.

Resolution No. 6, 2022, titled,

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE FIRE CHIEF OF THE CITY OF BRYAN TO APPLY FOR GRANTS FOR THE CITY OF BRYAN FIRE DEPARTMENT.

was presented and read by title only. Fire Chief Pool requested Council's permission to apply for various grants for the City of Bryan Fire Department.

Mr. Hupe moved, Mr. Betts seconded, to suspend the reading of Resolution No. 6, 2022, on three separate days. Roll call vote: all ayes; nays, none. Motion carried.

Mrs. Yahraus moved, Ms. Leatherman seconded, to pass Resolution No. 6, 2022. Roll call vote: all ayes; nays, none. Motion carried.

Ordinance No. 7, 2022, titled,

AN ORDINANCE ACCEPTING THE DEDICATION FOR STREET PURPOSES OF 3.575 ACRES OF LAND KNOWN AS JOHNSON DRIVE, WEST BEMENT STREET AND SWANSON DRIVE, EXTENDING SOUTH FROM BRUNICARDI WAY THRU WEST BEMENT STREET TO PAIGE STREET.

was presented and read by title only. City Engineer Wieland requested Council approve the dedication for street purposes of 3.575 acres of land known as Johnson Drive, West

Bement Street, and Swanson Drive extending south from Brunicardi Way thru West Bement Street to Paige Street. A map was provided for Council's convenience.

Mr. Hupe moved, Mrs. Yahraus seconded, to suspend the reading of Ordinance No. 7, 2022, on three separate days. Roll call vote: all ayes; nays, none. Motion carried.

Mr. Betts moved, Ms. Leatherman seconded, to pass Ordinance No. 7, 2022. Roll call vote: all ayes; nays, none. Motion carried.

Resolution No. 7, 2022, titled,

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE CLERK-TREASURER TO ADVERTISE FOR "REQUEST FOR QUALIFICATIONS", (RFQ), FROM QUALIFIED FIRMS FOR RIGHT OF WAY ACQUISITION SERVICES FOR THE SAFE ROUTES TO SCHOOL INFRASTRUCTURE IMPROVEMENTS PROJECT, "WIL-SRTS BRYAN CITY SCHLS", PID-113489.

was presented and read by title only. City Engineer Wieland requested Council's permission to advertise for request for qualifications from qualified firms for the right of way acquisition services for the Safe Routes to School infrastructure improvements project. Further discussion was held.

Mrs. Yahraus moved, Ms. Leatherman seconded, to suspend the reading of Resolution No. 7, 2022, on three separate days. Roll call vote: all ayes; nays, none. Motion carried.

Mr. Betts moved, Mr. Hupe seconded, to pass Resolution No. 7, 2022. Roll call vote: all ayes; nays, none. Motion carried.

Resolution No. 8, 2022, titled,

A RESOLUTION SUPPORTING THE CITY OF BRYAN SAFE ROUTES TO SCHOOL PHASE #2 PROJECT

was presented and read by title only. City Engineer Wieland requested Council's support for the City of Bryan Safe Routes to School Phase #2 project expanding the sidewalk along West South Street from Noble Drive to Main Street. Further discussion was held confirming that this resolution was to support applying for the grant to which City Engineer Wieland said yes.

Mr. Hupe moved, Mr. Betts seconded, to suspend the reading of Resolution No. 8, 2022, on three separate days. Roll call vote: all ayes; nays, none. Motion carried.

Ms. Leatherman moved, Mrs. Yahraus seconded, to pass Resolution No. 8, 2022. Roll call vote: all ayes; nays, none. Motion carried.

Resolution No. 9, 2022, titled,

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING CARRIE SCHLADE AS DELEGATE AND RICHARD LONG AS ALTERNATE TO REPRESENT THE CITY OF BRYAN AS A MEMBER OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE OHIO MUNICIPAL ELECTRIC ASSOCIATION IN 2022.

was presented and read by title only. Mayor Schlade asked Council to approve her as the delegate and Richard Long as the alternate to represent the City of Bryan as a member of the Board of Directors of the Ohio Municipal Electric Association for 2022.

Mrs. Yahraus moved, Ms. Leatherman seconded, to suspend the reading of Resolution No. 9, 2022, on three separate days. Roll call vote: all ayes; nays, none. Motion carried.

Mr. Betts moved, Mr. Hupe seconded, to pass Resolution No. 9, 2022. Roll call vote: all ayes; nays, none. Motion carried.

City Engineer Wieland requested Council approve building permit applications for Maynard Rentals located at 122 South Lynn Street, Bryan, Ohio, and for LDHM, LLC located at 200-206 West High Street, Bryan, Ohio.

Mrs. Yahraus moved, Ms. Leatherman seconded, to approve building permit applications for Maynard Rentals located at 122 South Lynn Street, Bryan, Ohio, and for LDHM, LLC located at 200-206 West High Street, Bryan, Ohio. Roll call votes: all ayes; nays, none. Motion carried.

Resolution No. 10, 2022, titled,

A RESOLUTION APPROVING THE *COMMUNITY REINVESTMENT AREA* TAX EXEMPTION APPLICATION AS SUBMITTED BY MAYNARD RENTALS.

was presented and read by title only. City Engineer Wieland asked Council to approve the Community Reinvestment Area tax exemption for Maynard Rentals as submitted.

Mr. Betts moved, Ms. Leatherman seconded, to suspend the reading of Resolution No. 10, 2022, on three separate days. Roll call vote: all ayes; nays, none. Motion carried.

Ms. Leatherman moved, Mrs. Yahraus seconded, to pass Resolution No. 10, 2022. Roll call vote: all ayes; nays, none. Motion carried.

Fire Chief Pool requested Council's approval for the following members for the Volunteer Fire Fighters' Dependents Fund Board for the City of Bryan Fire Department for 2022:

Council Member Richard Hupe

Council Member Judith Yahraus
Fire Chief Douglas Pool
Firefighter Gregory Grisier
Russ Davies

Mr. Betts moved, Ms. Leatherman seconded, to approve the above members to the Volunteer Fire Fighters' Dependents Fund Board for the City of Bryan Fire Department for 2022. Roll call vote: all ayes; nays, none. Motion carried.

Mayor and Council members expressed their deep sympathy for the family of Account Clerk III Armstrong. In addition, well wishes were extended to Assistant Office Manager/Payroll Sandy Bostater in her upcoming retirement.

Both Maynard Rental and LDHM, LLC were thanked for the investment in the City of Bryan by Council and Mayor Schlade.

Councilman Hupe shared that in his opinion the ½% income tax must be approved to keep Bryan moving forward. Mayor Schlade echoed that sentiment reminding the public again that the ½% income tax is a renewal to be utilized for sewer and street infrastructure.

Ms. Leatherman moved, Mr. Hupe seconded, to go into Executive Session to discuss the acquisition of property and compensation of personnel at 6:05 p.m. Roll call vote: all ayes; nays, none. Motion carried.

Asked to attend the Executive Session were: Mayor Schlade, City Attorney Fisher, Street Commissioner Engstrom, Wastewater Superintendent Wygant, and City Clerk-Treasurer Rode.

Wastewater Superintendent Wygant exited the Executive Session at 6:31 p.m.

Mr. Betts moved, Mr. Hupe seconded, to exit Executive Session at 7:03 p.m. Roll call vote: all ayes; nays, none. Motion carried.

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

President of Council

Clerk-Treasurer