BRYAN CITY COUNCIL

AUGUST 1, 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, Wastewater Superintendent Wes Wygant, Street Commissioner Tyson Engstrom, City Engineer Brian Wieland, Parks and Recreation Director Benjamin Dominique, and Clerk-Treasurer Laura Rode.

Ms. Leatherman moved, Mrs. Yahraus seconded, to approve the minutes from the July 18, 2022, Regular Meeting as written. Roll call vote: all ayes; nays, none. Motion carried.

Bryan citizen Marjorie Wilson shared her concerns regarding Ordinance No. 31, 2022, pertaining to recycling materials permitted as acceptable by Republic. It was explained to her that Republic will pick up more recycling items than stated; however, she then had concerns over what happened with the additional recycled items after they were picked up.

Ms. Wilson continued to share her displeasure at being billed in advance of service performed for refuse and stated she had returned her recycling container and didn't pay that portion of the bill. Further discussion was held with Council member Yahraus explaining that the total of the bill was due regardless of a citizen choosing to recycle or not. Additional discussion was held regarding where some residents are placing the totes at their homes to which Street Commissioner Engstrom said he would speak to residents if necessary.

Ordinance No. 39, 2022, titled,

AN ORDINANCE PROVIDING FOR THE TRANSFER OF FUNDS FOR THE CITY OF BRYAN, FOR THE MONTH ENDING AUGUST 31, 2022

was presented and read by title only. Clerk-Treasurer Rode detailed the transfers requested to Council.

Mr. Betts moved, Ms. Leatherman seconded, to suspend the reading of Ordinance No. 39, 2022, on three separate days. Roll call vote: all ayes; nays, none. Motion carried.

Mrs. Yahraus moved, Mr. Hupe seconded, to pass Ordinance No. 39, 2022. Roll call vote: all ayes; nays, none. Motion carried.

Ordinance No. 40, 2022, titled,

TO AMEND (ORDINANCE 56, 2006) SECTION 505.17(c) OF THE BRYAN CODIFIED ORDINANCES REMOVING ANIMAL CONTROL BY THE WILLIAMS COUNTY HUMANE SOCIETY.

was presented and read by title only. Mayor Schlade reviewed that as previously discussed, the Williams County Humane Society was no longer able to handle the animal control process pertaining to feral or trespassing cats in the City of Bryan. Thus, an amendment to the ordinance was required to allow citizens to contact a professional animal control agency in the event a cat is found off the owner's property or untagged. She also appealed to residents to get their pets tagged to avoid any unnecessary issues. Further discussion was held.

Mr. Betts moved, Ms. Leatherman seconded, to suspend the reading of Ordinance No. 40, 2022, on three separate days. Roll call vote: all ayes; nays, none. Motion carried.

Mr. Hupe moved, Mrs. Yahraus seconded, to pass Ordinance No. 40, 2022. Roll call vote: all ayes; nays, none. Motion carried.

Ordinance No. 41, 2022, titled,

AN ORDINANCE APPROVING THE EDITING AND INCLUSION OF CERTAIN ORDINANCES AS PARTS OF THE VARIOUS COMPONENT CODES OF THE CODIFIED ORDINANCES OF THE CITY OF BRYAN, STATE OF OHIO, AND CONFORMING TRAFFIC AND GENERAL OFFENSES CODE PROVISIONS TO STATE LAW CHANGES.

was presented and read by title only. Mayor Schlade read a prepared statement from City Attorney Fisher regarding the annual updates to the Codified Ordinances of the City of Bryan stating: "One purpose for the updates to the Bryan Municipal Code is to keep our criminal code in line with the same laws passed by the legislature of the State of Ohio. As a Home Rule Municipality, there are laws that we can pass for our own regulations pertaining to the health, safety and welfare of the citizens of Bryan. There are other laws, particularly criminal laws, which maintain the same language throughout the County. Each city and village passes the same changes to their local municipal and/or village codes so that all law enforcement are working under the same set of rules, so to speak." Further discussion was held with Councilman Betts appreciating the clarification on the annual updates.

Mrs. Yahraus moved, Mr. Hupe seconded, to suspend the reading of Ordinance No. 41, 2022, on three separate days. Roll call vote: all ayes; nays, none. Motion carried.

Ms. Leatherman moved, Mr. Betts seconded, to pass Ordinance No. 41, 2022. Roll call vote: all ayes; nays, none. Motion carried.

Resolution No. 42, 2022, titled,

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO PREPARE AND SUBMIT AN APPLICATION TO PARTICIPATE IN THE OHIO PUBLIC WORKS COMMISSION (OPWC) STATE CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT AND/OR LOCAL TRANSPORTATION IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM(S) AND TO EXECUTE CONTRACTS AS REQUIRED.

was presented and read by title only. City Engineer Wieland addressed Council requesting to submit an application to participate in the Ohio Public Works Commission (OPWC) State Capital Improvement and/or Local Transportation Improvement Program(s) as the City of Bryan is planning to make capital improvements to the sanitary sewers in the South Myers Street area. He requested the rules be suspended.

Mr. Betts moved, Mrs. Yahraus seconded, to suspend the reading of Resolution No. 42, 2022, on three separate days. Roll call vote: all ayes; nays, none. Motion carried.

Ms. Leatherman moved, Mr. Hupe seconded, to pass Resolution No. 42, 2022. Roll call vote: all ayes; nays, none. Motion carried.

Resolution No. 43, 2022, titled,

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO PREPARE AND SUBMIT AN APPLICATION TO PARTICIPATE IN THE OHIO PUBLIC WORKS COMMISSION (OPWC) STATE CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT AND/OR LOCAL TRANSPORTATION IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM(S) AND TO EXECUTE CONTRACTS AS REQUIRED.

was presented and read by title only. City Engineer Wieland addressed Council requesting to submit an application to participate in the Ohio Public Works Commission (OPWC) State Capital Improvement and/or Local Transportation Improvement Program(s) as the City of Bryan is planning to make capital improvements to the sanitary sewers in the South Walnut Street area. Further discussion was held.

Mrs. Yahraus moved, Ms. Leatherman seconded, to suspend the reading of Resolution No. 43, 2022, on three separate days. Roll call vote: all ayes; nays, none. Motion carried.

Ms. Leatherman moved, Mr. Betts seconded, to pass Resolution No. 43, 2022. Roll call vote: all ayes; nays, none. Motion carried.

Resolution No. 44, 2022, titled,

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE CLERK-TREASURER TO ADVERTISE FOR BIDS FOR THE PROJECT KNOWN AS "WESTERN BRYAN SANITARY SEWER REPLACEMENT."

was presented and read by title only. City Engineer Wieland requested Council's permission to advertise for the project known as Western Bryan Sanity Sewer Replacement. He explained how grant funding from the Ohio Public Works Commission will aid in funding this project for the City. Further discussion was held.

Mr. Hupe moved, Mr. Betts seconded, to suspend the reading of Resolution No. 44, 2022, on three separate days. Roll call vote: all ayes; nays, none. Motion carried.

Ms. Leatherman moved, Mrs. Yahraus seconded, to pass Resolution No. 44, 2022. Roll call vote: all ayes; nays, none. Motion carried.

Councilman Betts made and shared an observation and comments with everyone regarding the need for the ½% income tax renewal. While City Engineer Wieland works hard to obtain grants for the City, it takes additional funds to support the street and sewer projects necessary. City Engineer elaborated that the ½% income tax is critical to the City and shared his concern of possible assessments and/or borrowing if it were not available.

City Engineer Wieland requested Council approve a building permit application for Williams County Regional Airport Authority located at 16288 County Road D, Bryan, Ohio.

Mr. Hupe moved, Mrs. Yahraus seconded, to approve a building permit application for Williams County Regional Airport Authority located at 16288 County Road D, Bryan, Ohio. Roll call vote: all ayes; nays, none. Motion carried.

Mayor Schlade requested that due to the retirement of Melanie Kaiser, Engineering Secretary Tiana Traxler needed to be appointed as Prevailing Wage Coordinator for the City of Bryan serving alongside City Engineer Wieland.

Mr. Betts moved, Mr. Hupe seconded, to appoint Engineering Secretary Tiana Traxler as Prevailing Wage Coordinator. Roll call vote: all ayes; nays, none. Motion carried.

Council member Yahraus wanted to remind people to please be patient and give the trash changes a chance. Councilman Hupe thanked Ms. Wilson for sharing her views.

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

President of Council

Clerk-Treasurer