

BRYAN CITY COUNCIL

June 20, 2023

Council President Richard Hupe opened the meeting with the following members present: F. John Betts, Judith Yahraus, Mary Leatherman, and Jim Kozumplik. Also attending were: Mayor Carrie Schlade, Clerk-Treasurer John Lehner, Zoning Administrator Andrew Waterson, Fire Chief Doug Pool, Street Commissioner Tyson Engstrom, and Wastewater Superintendent Wes Wygant.

Mr. Kozumplik moved, Ms. Leatherman seconded, to approve the minutes from the June 5, 2023 Regular Meeting as written. Roll call vote: all ayes; nays, none. Motion carried.

Mrs. Yahraus moved, Mr. Betts seconded, to approve the Clerk-Treasurer's Report for the month ending May 31, 2023 as submitted by Clerk-Treasurer Lehner. Roll call vote: all ayes; nays, none. Motion carried.

Ordinance No. 26, 2023, titled,

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE SALARY FOR RANGE 1 OF THE BRYAN VOLUNTEER FIRE DEPARTMENT.

was presented and read by title only. Fire Chief Pool explained that the increase to the starting pay for the volunteer fire department was necessary to comply with the current minimum wage in the State of Ohio, and he requested Council approve the adjustment.

Mrs. Yahraus moved, Ms. Leatherman seconded, to suspend the reading of Ordinance No. 26, 2023, on three separate days. Roll call vote: all ayes; nays, none. Motion carried.

Mr. Betts moved, Mr. Kozumplik seconded, to pass Ordinance No. 26, 2023. Roll call vote: all ayes; nays, none. Motion carried.

Ordinance No. 27, 2023, titled,

AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE CONSTRUCTION MANAGER AT RISK (CMAR) DELIVERY METHOD FOR THE WASTEWATER TREATMENT PLANT SECONDARY TREATMENT IMPROVEMENTS PROJECT AND AUTHORIZING THE AGREEMENT WITH PETERSON CONSTRUCTION COMPANY AS THE CONSTRUCTION MANAGER AT RISK.

was presented and read by title only. Wastewater Superintendent Wygant explained that Peterson Construction Company was the lone bidder on the agreement, but that they had

served the City well on previous wastewater plant projects, and he requested Council authorize the agreement.

Mr. Kozumplik moved, Mr. Betts seconded, to suspend the reading of Ordinance No. 27, 2023, on three separate days. Roll call vote: all ayes; nays, none. Motion carried.

Ms. Leatherman moved, Mrs. Yahraus seconded, to pass Ordinance No. 27, 2023. Roll call vote: all ayes; nays, none. Motion carried.

Ordinance No. 28, 2023, titled,

AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE CLERK-TREASURER TO ISSUE CHANGE ORDER #1 AND FINAL FOR THE PROJECT KNOWN AS “WESTERN BRYAN SANITARY SEWER REPLACEMENT – HORTON HEIGHTS”.

was presented and read by title only. Zoning Administrator Waterson explained that this change order reflects a decrease in the final cost of the Horton Heights sewer project, and he requested Council to authorize the change.

Mr. Betts moved, Mrs. Yahraus seconded, to suspend the reading of Ordinance No. 28, 2023, on three separate days. Roll call vote: all ayes; nays, none. Motion carried.

Mr. Kozumplik moved, Ms. Leatherman seconded, to pass Ordinance No. 28, 2023. Roll call vote: all ayes; nays, none. Motion carried.

Resolution No. 38, 2023, titled,

A RESOLUTION APPROVING THE *COMMUNITY REINVESTMENT AREA* TAX EXEMPTION APPLICATION AS SUBMITTED BY NIHART REAL ESTATE LLC.

was presented and read by title only. Zoning Administrator Waterson explained that the tax exemption is being requested for seven years on a warehouse construction project at 614 E. Edgerton Street, and he requested Council approve the application. Further discussion was held.

Mr. Kozumplik moved, Ms. Leatherman seconded, to suspend the reading of Resolution No. 38, 2023, on three separate days. Roll call vote: all ayes; nays, none. Motion carried.

Mrs. Yahraus moved, Mr. Betts seconded, to pass Resolution No. 38, 2023. Roll call vote: all ayes; nays, none. Motion carried.

Mayor Schlade requested Council appoint Mr. Robert Roy to fulfill the unexpired term of Mr. Doug Johnson on the Planning & Zoning Commission, ending December 31, 2025.

Mayor Schlade commended Mr. Johnson, who resigned for personal reasons, for his good service to the Commission, and thanked Mr. Roy for offering to accept the position.

Mr. Kozumplik moved, Mr. Betts seconded, to appoint Mr. Robert Roy to fulfill the unexpired term of Mr. Doug Johnson on the Planning & Zoning Commission. Roll call vote: all ayes; nays, none. Motion carried.

Mayor Schlade requested Council appoint Mr. Dan Jenkins to the Williams Metropolitan Housing Authority board for a second five-year term expiring on July 7, 2028. She thanked him for his willingness to continue to serve.

Ms. Leatherman moved, Mr. Betts seconded, to appoint Mr. Dan Jenkins to the Williams Metropolitan Housing Authority board for a five-year term expiring on July 7, 2028. Roll call vote: all ayes; nays, none. Motion carried.

Mayor Schlade informed Council that the administration had no agenda items for the scheduled July 3rd meeting and requested they consider cancelling it.

Mr. Kozumplik moved, Ms. Leatherman seconded, to cancel the scheduled July 3rd Council meeting. Roll call vote: all ayes; nays, none. Motion carried.

Zoning Administrator Waterson offered a brief update on several ongoing construction projects throughout the City.

Council members offered thanks to Mr. Roy, Mr. Johnson, and Mr. Jenkins for their services to the City; appreciation to city employees for their efforts during the parade, Jubilee, and Day in the Park festivities; congratulations to Power Plant Operator IV Jay Zigler on his retirement from Bryan Municipal Utilities; and well-wishes for the July 4th holiday.

Council President Hupe also commended Mr. Max Nihart for his ongoing development efforts in the City of Bryan.

Mayor Schlade commented on what a busy summer it has been already, and offered thanks to all who have helped.

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

President of Council

Clerk-Treasurer