

Regular

June 1, 2022

Ontario City Council met in regular session on June 1, 2022, in the Municipal Building, with Council President Eddie Gallo presiding. The meeting opened at 7:00 p.m., with the Pledge of Allegiance.

Present during roll call were Council members Troy Sapp, Dave Rehfeldt, Chad Wilford, Josh Bradley, Sherry Branham, Rose Feagin, Nathan Sunderland, Council President Eddie Gallo, Mayor Randy Hutchinson, Service-Safety Director Kris Knapp and Clerk of Council Cathy VanAuker.

The minutes of the regular Council meeting of May 18, 2022 were presented for approval. Hearing no corrections, the minutes were approved as presented.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Mr. Wilford reported the Parks Committee met earlier to discuss the timelines for the completion of the park projects. The ballfields can be used. Shipping delays have slowed the progress of the splash pad and playground, which should be completed in the next couple of weeks. A subcommittee meeting will be scheduled, possibly next week, to discuss the Wi-Fi and security cameras.

Ms. Branham said the Personnel Committee met this evening in executive session.

Ms. Feagin scheduled a Streets Committee of the Whole meeting on June 15, 2022 at 6:00 p.m.

Mr. Sunderland call a Safety Committee of the Whole meeting on June 15, 2022 at 5:30 p.m.

MAYOR'S REPORT

When Mr. Rehfeldt asked if a program was being developed allowing officers to take cruisers home, Mayor Hutchinson said that was done years ago and provided visibility in the neighborhoods, but there isn't an abundance of cruisers.

SERVICE-SAFETY DIRECTOR'S REPORT

Mr. Knapp provided updates:

- An all-staff safety training on the vac truck was held at the Ontario Commerce Park. This was part of BWC compliance.
- Smoke testing was done on the sewer line at the corner of Park Avenue and Home Road. Six residences need double checked for storm water running into the sanitary sewer system.
- Compliments to the Police Department for successfully preventing an individual from jumping off the Lex-Springmill bridge and bringing that person to safety.

MISCELLANEOUS

- Mr. Gallo called for a vote to have one Council meeting in July, on July 13th. Seven members cast their votes Aye, zero Nay, and the motion passed.
- Mr. Gallo read the Notice of Public Hearing, to be held at 7:00 p.m. on Wednesday, June 15, 2022, for the proposed 2023 Tax Budget. All persons interested in this issue are invited to attend and express their views.

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PUBLIC COMMENTARY

Seeing no one who wished to speak, the Public Commentary portion of the meeting was closed.

CONSIDERATION OF ORDINANCES AND RESOLUTIONS

ORDINANCE NO. 22-31

AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE SERVICE-SAFETY DIRECTOR, OR HIS DESIGNEE (THE CHIEF OF POLICE), TO ACCEPT A DONATION FROM SHIRLEY DEEB TO BE USED TO SEND THE K-9 OFFICER TO TRAINING AND FOR OTHER PURCHASES, AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

Ms. Branham moved to suspend the reading of Ordinance No. 22-31 on three separate days, second by Mr. Sapp. Seven members cast their votes Aye, zero Nay, and the motion passed. Mr. Sapp read Ordinance No. 22-31 for the first time, by title only.

Mr. Sapp moved to adopt Ordinance No. 22-31, second by Ms. Branham. Seven members cast their votes Aye, zero Nay, and Ordinance No. 22-31 was adopted.

ORDINANCE NO. 22-32

AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE SERVICE-SAFETY DIRECTOR, OR HIS DESIGNEE (THE CHIEF OF POLICE), TO ACCEPT A GRANT FROM THE STATE OF OHIO BUREAU OF WORKERS COMPENSATION TO REIMBURSE THE CITY FOR THE PURCHASE OF EIGHT (8) NEW BULLET PROOF VESTS FROM PARR PUBLIC SAFETY, AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

Mr. Wilford moved to suspend the reading of Ordinance No. 22-32 on three separate days, second by Mr. Sunderland. Seven members cast their votes Aye, zero Nay, and the motion passed. Mr. Rehfeldt read Ordinance No. 22-32 for the first time, by title only.

Mr. Rehfeldt moved to adopt Ordinance No. 22-32, second by Mr. Sapp. Seven members cast their votes Aye, zero Nay, and Ordinance No. 22-32 was adopted.

ORDINANCE NO. 22-33

AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO ENTER INTO AN AGREEMENT WITH DYNEGY ENERGY SERVICES (EAST), LLC, D/B/A DYNEGY ENERGY SERVICES, LLC, AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

Mr. Wilford read Ordinance No. 22-33 for the first time, by title only.

At 7:15 p.m., there being no further business to come before the meeting, the same was adjourned upon a motion by Ms. Branham, second by Ms. Feagin.

Edward J. Gallo, President of Council

Cathy VanAuker, Clerk of Council