

MINUTES OF THE REGULAR COUNCIL
MEETING OF THE FOSTORIA CITY COUNCIL HELD (TUESDAY)
OCTOBER 4TH, 2022 AT 6:00 O'CLOCK P.M.

Council President Kauffman called the regular meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

Invocation by a moment of silence.

Pledge of Allegiance

It was moved by Councilperson Shaver, seconded by Councilperson Cassidy to excuse Councilperson Shaffer, passed by six (6) votes; Councilperson Shaffer was excused.

It was moved by Councilperson Mendoza , seconded by Councilperson Mennel to amend the minutes to reflect the spelling of public speaker Leonard Skanecki, passed by six (6) votes, minutes were amended.

It was moved by Councilperson Mennel, seconded by Councilperson Logsdon to approve the amended minutes, passed by six (6) votes, minutes were approved.

COMMUNICATION(S): Clerk announced her new email address and also explained the 2022 passed legislation will be sent to her for publishing.

REPORT OF COMMITTEES

A. FINANCE COMMITTEE:

Councilperson Shaver noted the Finance Committee will meet next on October 18th at 5:30 p.m.

B. PUBLIC AFFAIRS COMMITTEE:

Next meeting is scheduled for October 18, 2022 at 5:00 p.m.

C. LAW AND ORDINANCE COMMITTEE:

Next meeting is scheduled for October 18, 2022 at 5:15 p.m.

REPORT OF OFFICERS:

A. MAYOR:

Eric Keckler explained the bridge inspection legislation on the agenda under new business and requested it be passed as emergency along with the tree planting legislation. Mayor Keckler explained why he did not execute the marijuana legislation that Council passed, and that it does not veto or effect the legislation that the legislation goes into effect 10 days after passing with or without his signature.

Mayor Keckler reported get well cards at several different locations for the public to sign for Micah Hyde.

Mayor Keckler announced Octoberfest weekend downtown on October 2nd.

October 29, 2022, Trick or Treat.

October 31, 2022, Halloween parade.

B. SAFETY-SERVICE DIRECTOR:

Josh Clark, reported a representor from NOPEC has been invited to attend the October 18th Council meeting for a Q & A session regarding the electric bill increase. Councilperson Mennel asked if there was a contract with NOPEC, Josh replied no contract only a piece of legislation passed by Council recently, it was announced that if the community wanted to change aggregates Council would vote on new legislation. Josh Clark explained the vacated alley legislation and that everything has been properly filed only needs Council's vote.

Josh Clark spoke about the new water filters coming November 11, 2022, and that the City of Findlay is also now experiencing the same bad odor and taste in their water.

C. LAW DIRECTOR:

Stephanie Kiser advised Council about a UV, LLC correspondence TREX regarding the approval of bringing in any new liquor license to the City is in fact an economical project, it was discussed and agreed upon that a representative from TREX will be at a Council meeting.

E. DIRECTOR OF FINANCE

Heidi Kauffman was absent her report from President Kauffman was the mentioning of a post audit conference and the decision by Council can be announced during Misc. business.

F. PUBLIC:

Elliott Shaffer, 722 W Center St; spoke any other options regarding the water filters and also asked about past tree legislation.

Jill Filiater, 402 W Culbertson St; spoke about her frustrations regarding no communications from Administrator offices in the Municipal building, also spoke about her concerns regarding the Urban Canopy Restoration legislation.

Bill Sayre; 301 S. Main, asked about the Micah Hyde get well cards can be posted on the City website, and spoke about bridge inspectors and asked whether or not backup water filters had been ordered, Josh Clark-SSD responded no and explained why.

John Cockie, 224 Cleveland St, spoke about his concerns regarding the Grease Control legislation and requested this be put on hold temporarily.

OLD BUSINESS:

(Tabled) Ordinance No.: 2022 - ___ : Enacting new Chapter 1357 of the Codified Ordinances of the City of Fostoria, Ohio entitled “REGISTRATION OF RENTAL PROPERTY”. This constitutes a first reading of said ordinance. It was moved by Councilperson Mennel, seconded by Councilperson Cassidy to table said ordinance; passed by seven (7) votes, motion was passed.

Ordinance No.: 2022 - **60**: Enacting new Chapter 938 of the Codified Ordinances of the City of Fostoria, Ohio entitled “GREASE CONTROL”. This constitutes a second reading of said ordinance. This constitutes a third reading of said ordinance. It was moved by Councilperson Cassidy, seconded by Councilperson Shaver to adopt, passed by six (6) votes, the ordinance passed.

Ordinance No.: 2022 - **61**: Amending Ordinance 2019-48 by increasing the dollar limit for the use of a blanket purchase order for expenditures and declaring an emergency. This constitutes a third reading of said ordinance. It was moved by Councilperson Lake, seconded by Councilperson Logsdon to adopt, passed by six (6) votes, the ordinance passed.

NEW BUSINESS:

Ordinance No.: 2022- **62**: To adopt, pursuant to Section 911.01-911.02 of the Codified Ordinances of the City of Fostoria, Ohio, the petition to vacate an unnamed alley in the Third Ward of the City of Fostoria. This constitutes a first reading of said ordinance. It was moved by Councilperson Lake, seconded by Councilperson Mennel to suspend the three reading rule, passed by six (6) votes. It was moved by Councilperson Mennel, seconded by Councilperson Cassidy to adopt, passed by six (6) votes, the ordinance passed.

Ordinance No.: 2022 - **63**: Authorizing the Mayor, on behalf of the City of Fostoria, Ohio to work with the Tree and Beautification Committee in executing an application for the Urban Canopy Restoration Grant Program. This constitutes a first reading of said ordinance. It was moved by Councilperson Logsdon, seconded by Councilperson Cassidy to suspend the three reading rule, passed by six (6) votes. It was moved by Councilperson Lake, seconded by Councilperson Shaver to adopt, passed by six (6) votes, the ordinance passed.

Ordinance No.: 2022- **64**: Granting consent to the Director of Transportation of the State of Ohio, and authorizing the Mayor, on behalf of the City of Fostoria, Ohio, to enter into contracts with the State of Ohio relating to bridge inspection program services, and declaring an emergency to exist. It was motioned by Councilperson Mennel, seconded by Councilperson Mendoza to amend said ordinance by striking the words “the Council of, passed by six (6) votes, the amendment passes. It was moved by Councilperson Shaver, seconded by Councilperson Cassidy to suspend the three reading rule, passed by six (6) votes. It was moved by Councilperson Mendoza, seconded by Councilperson Logsdon to adopt, passed by six (6) votes, the ordinance passed.

EXECUTIVE SESSION:

MISCELLANEOUS BUSINESS:

Council agreed as a whole for no consulting for the post audit.
Council President spoke about the Tiffin elected positions payroll.
It was requested by Council to have more time and information regarding the economical project approval.
Councilperson Mennel reminded everyone of the upcoming public hearing meeting regarding the Rental Properties legislation.

ADJOURNMENT:

It was moved by Councilperson Cassidy and seconded by Councilperson Shaver to adjourn; passed by six (6) votes. Council adjourned at 6:59 p.m.

Council President,
Steve Kauffman of Fostoria City
Council

Attest:

Tamara L Drake
Clerk of Council

Date