

MINUTES OF THE REGULAR COUNCIL
MEETING OF THE FOSTORIA CITY COUNCIL HELD (TUESDAY)
MARCH 1ST, 2022 AT 6:00 O'CLOCK P.M.

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

Invocation by Pastor Dan Lucien of Church of God.

Pledge of Allegiance.

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

It was moved by Councilperson Cassidy, seconded by Councilperson Shaver to approve the minutes of the regular Council meeting; passed by six (6) votes; minutes were approved.

COMMUNICATION(S):

None.

REPORT OF COMMITTEES.

A. FINANCE COMMITTEE:

No new business. See minutes of the Finance Committee meeting hereto attached. Next Finance Committee meeting is scheduled for March 15, 2022, at 5:30 p.m.

B. PUBLIC AFFAIRS COMMITTEE:

Councilperson Mendoza reported that Detective Hall attended the February 22, 2022, meeting and discussed the criminal complaints regarding the Plaza and explained all complaint calls are responded to, however citizens are recommended to continue to report activity at the Plaza. Councilperson Mendoza also announced the first informational Town Hall session relating to the may ballot will be March 24th, at 6:00 p.m. at the Fostoria Jr/Sr School cafeteria. Councilperson Shaffer explained this is an informational session to discuss the ballot and explain what the issues are and the importance of your vote. Councilpersons Mendoza and Shaffer looked at back history voting rates for all three (3) Counties and how low the percentage was, Councilperson Shaffer encouraged the public to vote and the importance of your vote in May.

C. LAW AND ORDINANCE COMMITTEE:

Discussions were held regarding past legislation that needs to be reviewed for Records Retention. The Law & Ordinance objectives were approved and are on the city website for public review. Handicap signs were also reviewed. Next meeting is scheduled for March 16th at 6:00 p.m.

REPORT OF OFFICERS:

A. MAYOR:

Mayor Keckler, absent.

B. SAFETY-SERVICE DIRECTOR:

Josh Clark, handed out and discussed the resurfacing schedule also the annual Court report which reports fees that were collected and the number of cases. Josh also handed out the test results of the 2018 water test and the test results of 2022 for comparison. Josh explained the appropriations request legislation on the agenda. Councilperson Shaffer questioned the water testing results and if they can be made public on the city website, Josh replied yes. Todd Jenkins of Peterman & Associates will provide an itemized result report. Councilperson Cassidy requested to see the water flow in Todd Jenkins report.

C. LAW DIRECTOR:

Stephanie Kiser, explained the appropriations legislation under new business and that it needs passed as an emergency also explained the Codified legislation under new business and she has the replacement pages in her office for pick up. Stephanie also requested an Executive Session to discuss the matters noted below.

- XX -Personnel matters, specifically:
- XX -to consider the appointment, employment, dismissal, discipline, promotion, demotion, or compensation of a public employee or official
- to consider the investigation of charges or complaints against a public employee, official, licensee, or regulated individual
- Purchase or sale of property
- Pending or imminent court action
- Collective bargaining matters
- Matters required to be kept confidential.
- Security matters
- Confidential business information of an applicant for economic development assistance

D. DIRECTOR OF FINANCE:

Heidi Kauffman explained her roll so far being only day two (2) on the job and discussed her future agenda.

E. PUBLIC:

Bob Podach, 325 Perry Street; discussed his concern with the water source report and a 2003 EPA report and is discouraged by it, he handed the report to Councilperson Mennel for a further follow up.

Paul Allison, 118 ½ W. Center St., Apt. 2; explained the Records Retention Board and the next meeting is scheduled for August 18, 2022, at 2:00 p.m. Paul spoke about the BZA (Board of Zoning Appeals) and the annual report from the Library Board, also stated the upcoming upgrades to the library.

Dan Lucien, 521 Burnham Drive; spoke about his concerns about passing the DORA legislation and why he is opposed to it.

Sarah Stephens Krupp, 342 Perry Street; spoke about the DORA map and a church parking lot being removed.

Old Business:

Ordinance No.: 2022 - ____ : Authorizing the Mayor to advertise for bids and enter into a contract with the lowest and best bidder for the 2022 Street Resurfacing Program, including pavement removal, surface planning, tack coat, and surface course of certain streets in the City of Fostoria, Ohio according to specifications now on file in the office of said Mayor, and declaring an emergency to exist. This constitutes a second reading of said ordinance.

New Business:

Ordinance No.: 2022 - ____ : To approve and adopt current replacement pages to the Codified Ordinances and declaring an emergency to exist. This constitutes a first reading of said ordinance.

Ordinance No.: 2022 - ____ : AN ORDINANCE CREATING A DESIGNATED OUTDOOR REFRESHMENT AREA (DORA) AND ENACTING REGULATIONS FOR THE DORA. This constitutes a first reading of said ordinance.

Ordinance No.: 2022 - ____ : AN ORDINANCE TO AUTHORIZE AND DESIGNATE A REVITALIZATION DISTRICT WITHIN THE CITY OF FOSTORIA, OHIO PURSUANT TO OHIO REVISED CODE SECTION 4301.81. This constitutes a first reading of said ordinance.

Ordinance No.: 2022 - 12: Adopting and Amending ordinance No. 2021-68 (Permanent 2022 Appropriations) by decreasing appropriations and appropriating from unappropriated funds in the General Fund and Water Fund and declaring an emergency. This constitutes a first reading of said ordinance. It was moved by Councilperson Lake, seconded by Councilperson Shaver to suspend the three-reading rule; passed by six (6) votes. It was moved by Councilperson Shaver, seconded by Councilperson Cassidy to adopt; passed by six (6) votes. The ordinance was adopted.

MISCELLANEOUS:

Council President Kauffman reminded everyone that March is Music in School month, acknowledged the loss of Band Director Dave Zoel.

Councilperson Shaffer reminded everyone that April 4, 2022, is the voter registration deadline.

Executive Session: It was moved by Councilperson Shaver, seconded by Councilperson Lake to go into Executive Session at 6:35 pm to discuss the matter below with no business to follow. It was moved by Councilperson Shaver, seconded by Councilperson Lake to come out of Executive Session at 7:01 pm.

- Personnel matters, specifically:
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ADJOURNMENT:

It was moved by Councilperson Cassidy and seconded by Councilperson Shaver to adjourn; passed by six (6) votes. Council adjourned at 7:05 P.M.

Council President Kauffman
of Fostoria City Council

Attest:

Tamara L Drake
Clerk of Council

Date