

BRYAN CITY COUNCIL

November 5, 2024

Council President Mary Leatherman opened the meeting with the following members present: Jim Kozumplik, F. John Betts, Richard Hupe and Stephen Alspaugh. Also attending were: Mayor Carrie Schlade, Fire Chief Doug Pool, Police Chief Greg Ruskey, City Engineer Brian Wieland, Street Commissioner Tyson Engstrom, Wastewater Superintendent Wes Wygant, Parks and Recreation Director Benjamin Dominique, and Deputy Clerk-Treasurer Patricia Buda.

Mr. Alspaugh moved, Mr. Kozumplik seconded, to approve the minutes from the October 21, 2024 Regular Meeting as written. Roll call vote: all ayes; nays, none. Motion carried.

Bryan resident Steve Cox addressed Council on the paving (chip and seal) project that was completed on Huntington Drive / South Court. He commented on the quality of the job, loose gravel/tar in yards, damage to a mail box etc. Allegations made by Mr. Cox were addressed by Mayor Schlade and Council President Leatherman. Council member Alspaugh also addressed the situation and conversation that he held with Mr. Cox. Further discussion was held.

Ordinance No. 39, 2024, titled,

AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND SECTION 509.12 ENTITLED EXCESSIVE NOISE

was presented and read by title only. Mayor Schlade explained that the reason for the amendment was due to construction projects and refuse collection time frames which needed to be adjusted to account for these specific work hours.

Mr. Kozumplik moved, Mr. Alspaugh seconded, to suspend the reading of Ordinance No. 39, 2024, on three separate days. Roll call vote: all ayes; nays, none. Motion carried.

Mr. Betts moved, Mr. Hupe seconded, to pass Ordinance No. 39, 2024. Roll call vote: all ayes; nays, none. Motion carried.

Ordinance No. 40, 2024, titled,

AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO ENTER INTO A WORK AUTHORIZATION AGREEMENT WITH ARCADIS U.S., INC. TO PROVIDE ADDITIONAL BASIC DESIGN PHASE SCOPE OF SERVICES FOR THE CITY OF BRYAN'S WASTEWATER TREATMENT PLANT-SECONDARY TREATMENT IMPROVEMENTS,

PHASE 1 PROJECT AND APPROPRIATING \$120,000 FOR THIS AGREEMENT.

was presented and read by title only. Wastewater Superintendent Wygant requested additional appropriations for the Basic Design Phase scope of services for the Wastewater Treatment Plant Phase 1 project. He explained the need for the funds was for unexpected issues that have occurred during this phase of the project including a building redesign, fire suppression/protection system and a potential storm water system.

Mr. Hupe moved, Mr. Kozumplik seconded, to suspend the reading of Ordinance No. 40, 2024, on three separate days. Roll call vote: all ayes; nays, none. Motion carried.

Mr. Alspaugh moved, Mr. Betts seconded, to pass Ordinance No. 40, 2024. Roll call vote: all ayes; nays, none. Motion carried.

Ordinance No. 41, 2024, titled,

AN ORDINANCE TO ESTABLISH THE SALARY FOR THE MAYOR OF THE CITY OF BRYAN FOR THE YEARS 2026 THROUGH 2029

was presented and read by title only.

Mr. Kozumplik moved, Mr. Betts seconded, to suspend the reading of Ordinance No. 41, 2024, on three separate days. Roll call vote: all ayes; nays, none. Motion carried.

Mr. Alspaugh moved, Mr. Hupe seconded, to pass Ordinance No. 41, 2024. Roll call vote: all ayes; nays, none. Motion carried.

Ordinance No. 42, 2024, titled,

AN ORDINANCE TO ESTABLISH THE SALARY FOR CITY OF BRYAN CITY COUNCIL MEMBERS FOR THE CALENDAR YEAR BEGINNING IN 2026

was presented and read by title only. Council Member Betts stated that the last salary per meeting increase was in 2009. He feels that this increase is warranted due to the increased time Council members spend on city business.

Mr. Betts moved, Mr. Alspaugh seconded, to suspend the reading of Ordinance No. 42, 2024, on three separate days. Roll call vote: all ayes; nays, none. Motion carried.

Mr. Hupe moved, Mr. Kozumplik seconded, to pass Ordinance No. 42, 2024. Roll call vote: all ayes; nays, none. Motion carried.

Ordinance No. 43, 2024, titled,

AN ORDINANCE TO AUTHORIZE THE MAYOR TO ENTER INTO CONTRACTS ON BEHALF OF THE BRYAN FIRE DEPARTMENT FOR MUTUAL AID OR FIRE PROTECTION SERVICES FOR 2025 TO PULASKI TOWNSHIP.

was presented and read by title only. Fire Chief Pool explained that this is an annual contract with Pulaski Township for mutual aid or fire protection services with a five percent increase. He also explained that there are three other contracts for mutual aid which include Center Township, Williams County for Hillside and Opdycke Park, and Jefferson Township.

Mr. Kozumplik moved, Mr. Alspaugh seconded, to suspend the reading of Ordinance No. 43, 2024, on three separate days. Roll call vote: all ayes; nays, none. Motion carried.

Mr. Hupe moved, Mr. Betts seconded, to pass Ordinance No. 43, 2024. Roll call vote: all ayes; nays, none. Motion carried.

Ordinance No. 44, 2024, titled,

AN ORDINANCE TO AUTHORIZE THE MAYOR TO ENTER INTO CONTRACTS ON BEHALF OF THE BRYAN FIRE DEPARTMENT FOR MUTUAL AID OR FIRE PROTECTION SERVICES FOR 2025 TO JEFFERSON TOWNSHIP.

was presented and read by title only. Fire Chief Pool explained that this an annual contract for mutual aid or fire protection with a three percent increase to cover cost of living.

Mr. Alspaugh moved, Mr. Betts seconded, to suspend the reading of Ordinance No. 44, 2024, on three separate days. Roll call vote: all ayes; nays, none. Motion carried.

Mr. Kozumplik moved, Mr. Hupe seconded, to pass Ordinance No. 44, 2024. Roll call vote: all ayes; nays, none. Motion carried.

Resolution No. 39, 2024, titled,

A RESOLUTION APPROVING THE *COMMUNITY REINVESTMENT AREA* TAX EXEMPTION APPLICATION AS SUBMITTED BY DOC'S DIESEL.

was presented and read by title only. City Engineer Wieland requested approval for a Community Reinvestment Area tax abatement for Doc's Diesel as they have purchased 15 acres and are investing \$5.2 million in the North Industrial Park. The tax exemption is for a ten (10) year period. Further discussion was held.

Mr. Betts moved, Mr. Alspaugh seconded, to suspend the reading of Resolution No. 39, 2024, on three separate days. Roll call vote: all ayes; nays, none. Motion carried.

Mr. Hupe moved, Mr. Kozumplik seconded, to pass Resolution No. 39, 2024. Roll call vote: all ayes; nays, none. Motion carried.

Resolution No. 40, 2024, titled,

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE POLICE CHIEF OF THE CITY OF BRYAN TO APPLY FOR GRANTS FOR THE CITY OF BRYAN POLICE DEPARTMENT

was presented and read by title only. Police Chief Ruskey asked for permission to apply for a body worn camera grant for the Police Department.

Mr. Betts moved, Mr. Hupe seconded, to suspend the reading of Resolution No. 40, 2024, on three separate days. Roll call vote: all ayes; nays, none. Motion carried.

Mr. Kozumplik moved, Mr. Alspaugh seconded, to pass Resolution No. 40, 2024. Roll call vote: all ayes; nays, none. Motion carried.

Resolution No. 41, 2024, titled,

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE CLERK-TREASURER TO ADVERTISE FOR BIDS FOR THE SAFE ROUTES TO SCHOOL SIDEWALK PROJECT KNOWN AS “WIL-CR502-0.37 W SOUTH SIDEWALK”

was presented and read by title only. City Engineer Wieland requested Council’s permission to advertise for bids for the Safe Routes to School Sidewalk Project as there is now funding available for a 2025 project on West South Street from Noble Drive to South Main Street. Further discussion was held.

Mr. Alspaugh moved, Mr. Betts seconded, to suspend the reading of Resolution No. 41, 2024, on three separate days. Roll call vote: all ayes; nays, none. Motion carried.

Mr. Kozumplik moved, Mr. Hupe seconded, to pass Resolution No. 41, 2024. Roll call vote: all ayes; nays, none. Motion carried.

Mayor Schlade advised Council on the receipt of a legislative notice from the Ohio Division of Liquor Control regarding a transfer of the liquor permit held by JM Stores LLC, dba Jacks Corner Market to 402 Maadola LLC, dba LuckyStopBryan located at 402 South Main Street, and if no objections, requested Council waive its right to request a hearing on the matter. This notice is for a name change and renewal.

Mr. Betts moved, Mr. Alspaugh seconded, to waive hearings on a transfer of the liquor permit held by JM Stores LLC, dba Jacks Corner Market to 402 Maadola LLC, dba LuckyStopBryan. Roll call vote: all ayes; nays, none. Motion carried.

Mayor Schlade called Council's attention to the November/December issue of Ohio Magazine that featured the City of Bryan. She felt that the article highlighted Bryan as a Christmas town and also showed how well the community organizations worked together to bring progress and interest to the downtown area and the City of Bryan.

Council Member Hupe thanked Mayor Schlade and former Mayor Doug Johnson on helping to promote Bryan as a growing and positive community.

City Engineer Wieland informed Council on the city receiving a \$512,000 grant from the Ohio Department of Transportation (ODOT) for 2027 street improvements on North Main Street. He also commented on the chip/seal roadways in Bryan and again explained that Huntington Drive/South Court roadway would continue to be maintained as before.

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

President of Council

Deputy Clerk-Treasurer