

BRYAN CITY COUNCIL

October 20, 2025

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

Mr. Kozumplik moved, Mr. Alspaugh seconded, to approve the minutes of the October 6, 2025 Regular Meeting, as written. Roll call vote: all ayes; nays, none. Motion carried.

Mr. Hupe moved, Mr. Kozumplik seconded, to approve the Clerk-Treasurer's Report for the month ending September 30, 2025 as submitted by Clerk-Treasurer Lehner. Roll call vote: all ayes; nays, none. Motion carried.

Ordinance No. 48, 2025, titled,

AN ORDINANCE PROVIDING FOR ANNUAL APPROPRIATIONS FOR THE CITY OF BRYAN, FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 2025, AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY

was presented and read by title only. Clerk-Treasurer Lehner and Parks and Recreation Director Dominique explained that the request is to authorize the expenditure of donations provided for the planting of street trees and toward 2026 programming for the Fountain City Amphitheater. In addition, it authorizes the expenditure of a Body Worn Camera grant received by the Bryan Police Department in the amount \$8,960.

Mr. Alspaugh moved, Mr. Betts seconded, to suspend the reading of Ordinance No. 48, 2025, on three separate days. Roll call vote: all ayes; nays, none. Motion carried.

Mr. Kozumplik moved, Mr. Hupe seconded, to pass Ordinance No. 48, 2025. Roll call vote: all ayes; nays, none. Motion carried.

Resolution No. 42, 2025, titled,

A RESOLUTION TO ACCEPT A \$4,000 DONATION FROM THE BRYAN MUNICIPAL UTILITIES TO THE PARKS AND RECREATION DEPARTMENT FOR CONTINUED SUPPORT WITH THE DEVELOPMENT OF BRYAN'S URBAN FOREST.

was presented and read by title only. Parks and Recreation Director Dominique elaborated on the street tree program and thanked Bryan Municipal Utilities for its years of support.

Mr. Alspaugh moved, Mr. Hupe seconded, to suspend the reading of Resolution No. 42, 2025, on three separate days. Roll call vote: all ayes; nays, none. Motion carried.

Mr. Betts moved, Mr. Kozumplik seconded, to pass Resolution No. 42, 2025. Roll call vote: all ayes; nays, none. Motion carried.

Resolution No. 43, 2025, titled,

A RESOLUTION TO ACCEPT A \$6,300 DONATION FROM VARIOUS SPONSORS TO THE PARKS AND RECREATION DEPARTMENT FOR THE FOUNTAIN CITY AMPHITHEATER.

was presented and read by title only. Parks and Recreation Director Dominique further explained these funds would be used in the current year to secure performers for programming in 2026.

Mr. Alspaugh moved, Mr. Kozumplik seconded, to suspend the reading of Resolution No. 43, 2025, on three separate days. Roll call vote: all ayes; nays, none. Motion carried.

Mr. Betts moved, Mr. Hupe seconded, to pass Resolution No. 43, 2025. Roll call vote: all ayes; nays, none. Motion carried.

Ordinance No. 49, 2025, titled,

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING SECTION 549.09 OF THE BRYAN CODIFIED ORDINANCES REGARDING FIREARMS WITHIN THE CITY LIMITS

was presented and read by title only. Police Chief Ruskey explained the amended language makes the Bryan Codified Ordinances consistent with language in the Ohio Revised Code.

Mr. Kozumplik moved, Mr. Betts seconded, to suspend the reading of Ordinance No. 49, 2025, on three separate days. Roll call vote: all ayes; nays, none. Motion carried.

Mr. Alspaugh moved, Mr. Hupe seconded, to pass Ordinance No. 49, 2025. Roll call vote: all ayes; nays, none. Motion carried.

Ordinance No. 50, 2025, titled,

AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE CLERK-TREASURER TO ISSUE CHANGE ORDER #1 & FINAL FOR THE PROJECT KNOWN AS “AUTUMN CHASE PHASE IV IMPROVEMENTS.”

was presented and read by title only. City Engineer Wieland explained the project is completed and that the final contract price came over the original contract price by \$3,726.37, to a total of \$463,679.42. As previously discussed, the cost of the project will be assessed to the property owners beginning next fall.

Mr. Kozumplik moved, Mr. Betts seconded, to suspend the reading of Ordinance No. 50, 2025, on three separate days. Roll call vote: all ayes; nays, none. Motion carried.

Mr. Alspaugh moved, Mr. Hupe seconded, to pass Ordinance No. 50, 2025. Roll call vote: all ayes; nays, none. Motion carried.

Ordinance No. 51, 2025, titled,

AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE CLERK-TREASURER TO ISSUE CHANGE ORDER #2 & FINAL FOR THE PROJECT KNOWN AS “WIL-CR502-0.37 W SOUTH SIDEWALK.”

was presented and read by title only. City Engineer Wieland explained the project is completed and came in under the original contract price by \$5,524.40, to a total of \$246,690.10. Up to ninety-five percent (95%) of the project cost will be reimbursed to the City by grant funds.

Mr. Betts moved, Mr. Hupe seconded, to suspend the reading of Ordinance No. 51, 2025, on three separate days. Roll call vote: all ayes; nays, none. Motion carried.

Mr. Alspaugh moved, Mr. Kozumplik seconded, to pass Ordinance No. 51, 2025. Roll call vote: all ayes; nays, none. Motion carried.

Ordinance No. 52, 2025, titled,

AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE CLERK-TREASURER TO ISSUE CHANGE ORDER #1 & FINAL FOR THE PROJECT KNOWN AS “2024 SOUTH MYERS STREET SANITARY SEWER REPLACEMENT.”

was presented and read by title only. City Engineer Wieland explained the project is completed and came in under the original contract price by \$9,655.00, to a total of \$810,760.00. \$275,000 of the project cost will be reimbursed to the City by grant funds.

Mr. Alspaugh moved, Mr. Kozumplik seconded, to suspend the reading of Ordinance No. 52, 2025, on three separate days. Roll call vote: all ayes; nays, none. Motion carried.

Mr. Hupe moved, Mr. Betts seconded, to pass Ordinance No. 52, 2025. Roll call vote: all ayes; nays, none. Motion carried.

Ordinance No. 53, 2025, titled,

AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO ENTER INTO A CONTRACT WITH VERNON NAGLE, INC FOR THE PROJECT KNOWN AS “2025 SOUTH WALNUT AREA SANITARY SEWER IMPROVEMENTS.”

was presented and read by title only. City Engineer Wieland requested Council approve the contract with Vernon Nagle, Inc. in the amount of \$408,283.00 for the 2025 South Walnut Area Sanitary Sewer Improvements project. The project completion date is estimated to be in July, 2026, and the City will be reimbursed up to \$175,000 through an Ohio Public Works Commission grant (OPWC).

Mr. Kozumplik moved, Mr. Alspaugh seconded, to suspend the reading of Ordinance No. 53, 2025, on three separate days. Roll call vote: all ayes; nays, none. Motion carried.

Mr. Betts moved, Mr. Hupe seconded, to pass Ordinance No. 53, 2025. Roll call vote: all ayes; nays, none. Motion carried.

Resolution No. 44, 2025, titled,

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE CLERK-TREASURER TO ADVERTISE FOR BIDS FOR THE PROJECT KNOWN AS “2025 LINCOLN PARK SANITARY SEWER IMPROVEMENTS.”

was presented and read by title only. City Engineer Wieland explained the current estimate for the Lincoln Park Sanitary Sewer Improvement project is \$530,000, and will include sewer line replacement in the alley located between High, Butler, Cherry, and Allen Streets.

Mr. Betts moved, Mr. Alspaugh seconded, to suspend the reading of Resolution No. 44, 2025, on three separate days. Roll call vote: all ayes; nays, none. Motion carried.

Mr. Hupe moved, Mr. Kozumplik seconded, to pass Resolution No. 44, 2025. Roll call vote: all ayes; nays, none. Motion carried.

Mayor Schlade advised Council on the receipt of legislative notices from the Ohio Division of Liquor Control regarding the issuance of a liquor permit to Ohio CVS Stores LLC, dba CVS Pharmacy 6181, and if no objections, requested Council waive its right to request a hearing on the matter. Further discussion was held.

Mr. Kozumplik moved, Mr. Alspaugh seconded, to waive hearings on the issuance of a liquor permit to Ohio CVS Stores LLC, dba CVS Pharmacy 6181. Roll call vote: all ayes; nays, none. Motion carried.

Mayor Schlade thanked Council Member Hupe and Fire Chief Pool for helping commemorate October 14, 2025 as Zoe Kelley Heroism Day for her actions in saving a resident from a house fire on October 6th.

Parks and Recreation Director Dominique reminded all of the Bryan Halloween/Trick or Treat schedule.

Fire Chief Pool noted the quick thinking of a group of boys in the Greystone neighborhood that alerted authorities of a what looked like a burning home. Mayor Schlade recognized the boys during a school soccer practice.

Mayor Schlade reminded all that the next scheduled Bryan City Council meeting will be on Tuesday, November 4, 2025 at 5:30 p.m. due to the community-wide “Ready, Set, Relax” evening scheduled for November 3rd.

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

President of Council

Clerk-Treasurer