

**PORT CLINTON CITY COUNCIL MINUTES
REGULAR MEETING**

Due to the coronavirus pandemic, the January 26, 2021 regular meeting of the Port Clinton City Council was held via Zoom, rather than in the Linda Hartlaub City Hall Chambers. Lisa Sarty, President of Council, presided and the meeting opened at 6:01 p.m.

The roll was called and the following council members were present: Pat Hovis, Beth Gillman, Margaret Phillips, Roseann Hickman, Jerry Tarolli, Lisa Slobodzian and Gabe Below.

Mr. Tarolli moved to adopt minutes for January 12, 2021; seconded by Ms. Phillips: all agreed.

The chair noted certification had been received regarding the compliance with the rules and notification of this meeting.

GUEST PRESENTATION None

PUBLIC COMMENT None

PRESIDENT OF COUNCIL 2021 Rules of Council will be discussed by Mr. Below. It will be up to Council if they choose to adopt the rules this evening.

The Administration asks that Ordinance 2-21 be adopted on the second reading.

Ohio Ethics Commission filing reminder was provided as correspondence.

MAYOR'S REPORT

Congratulations to Grandpa Colston on his first grandchild.

Thank you Mr. Tarolli for being the City's representative for the TMACOG annual conference.

Ottawa County Engineer, Portage Township and Bay Township have meet to organize tar/chipping Wilcox Road and W. Bay Drive. There is a small portion of each road that is in the City of Port Clinton. The City's estimated financial responsibility for this will be \$6,800.00. This project will give the road an additional 10 years of life.

Port Clinton Area Chamber of Commerce and the City are receiving calls inquiring if the City will be having festivals in 2021. This is an unknown at this time until Governor DeWine gives the green light. Governor DeWine has implemented a task force in investigate and report their findings regarding festivals in the State of Ohio. Any information from the Governor's office will not be available until April 2021. The City will be accepting event applications 2021 and will advise the applicants accordingly. On Wednesday, February 3, 2021, there will be a Zoom meeting to discuss future events in the City. Attending the meeting will be Jerry Bingham of Ottawa County Health Department to help answer any questions regarding future COVID requirements that the state may require. Invitations have been sent to any event coordinator from 2019 and 2020.

Thank you to Dave Bacak and Michelle Bryant of the City for appearing on What's Happening around Port Clinton Live Facebook meeting.

Lakeview Park Concession Stand the Administration will be having a meeting with the Maple family in the near future to discuss 2021 season.

Tomorrow, January 27, the City's Administration with Ottawa County Administration, Erie County Administration, Lake Erie Shores & Islands, and Vermilion Administration & Huron Administration will meet via Zoom to discuss bed tax for short-term rentals.

Monday, February 1, 2021, Mayor Snider will be attending Mayor's luncheon with surrounding community Mayors to swap stories, and discuss what is going on in each community.

There may be potential funds becoming available for communities regarding infrastructure projects. This was discussed at the recent TMACOG meeting. Mr. Colston and Mayor Snider will be speaking with representatives of Senator Sherrod Brown's office next week.

There will be future legislation for a Fire Levy renewal, to be placed on the November 2021 ballot.

Thank you to all who have been involved in making the future Art Garage at 317 W. Perry Street come to fruition this evening by adopting Ordinance 31-20.

Personal note: Sixteen years ago today my niece Haley walked into my life and six months later, she became my daughter legally. If you have the opportunity to assist anyone, you will not regret it.

AUDITOR'S REPORT

Financial statements for December were emailed to all last week.

Fire Levy renewal is due this year. Legislation has been drafted and sent to President of Council. There are two pieces of legislation. The first resolution is suggested to be on the February 9, 2021, agenda and the second piece later this year.

An ordinance has been drafted for the Waterfront Walkway project general obligation bond. Will be meeting with City's bond council tomorrow to discuss what options the City has. There may be a request to pass the ordinance on the first or second reading depending on the deadline requirements.

TREASURER'S REPORT

Not present

LAW DIRECTOR REPORT

Dock and bed tax will be reviewed and updated to take effect in 2022. In hopes to collaborate with the County to capture more revenue on a yearly basis.

SAFETY SERVICE

Ordinance 2-21 for the Waterfront Walkway Project funding – please pass the ordinance this evening so the submittal can be sent later this week.

POLICE CHIEF REPORT

Not present

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Mr. Below:

Finance Committee:

Waterfront Walkway Project: The Finance Committee should be able to support the Auditors request to meet any time constraints.

Economic & Community Development Committee:

Nothing to present

Mrs. Hickman:

Environment & Public Works Committee:

Will schedule a meeting in the next couple of weeks.

Ms. Phillips:

Safety Services Committee:

At the January 12, 2021, Safety & Service Committee meeting, members voted 3-0 to endorse the Fire Levy at the January 26, 2021, City Council Meeting

Mrs. Gillman:

Arts & Culture Committee:

At the last committee meeting motion to endorse Ordinance 31-20.

Will schedule a meeting in the near future.

CORRESPONDANCE

Safety & Service Committee Minutes, January 12, 2021
Ohio Ethics Commission Filing Reminder
Month End Reports, December 2020 / Cole Hatfield, Auditor

Ms. Phillips moved to approve correspondence, seconded by Mrs. Hickman; all agreed

WHEN THE FOLLOWING ORDINANCES WERE READ ALL COUNCIL, MEMBERS WERE ABLE TO SEE AND HEAR VIA ZOOM.

THIRD READINGS

Ordinance 31-20

AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING AND DIRECTING THE DIRECTOR OF SAFETY AND SERVICE TO ENTER INTO A LEASE AGREEMENT WIT THE GREATER PORT CLINTON AREA ARTS COUNCIL TO LEASE THE LAND AND PROPERTY LOCATED AT 317 W. PERRY STREET, PORT CLINTON, OHIO TO SERVE AS THE PRIMARY LOCATION FOR A COMMUNITY BASED ARTS AND CULTURAL CENTER AND DECLARE AN EMERGERNCY.

Mrs. Gillman moved to retain emergency clause of Ordinance 31-20; seconded by Mr. Below

Results of a voice roll call are as follows: Below, yes; Hovis, yes; Gillman, yes; Phillips, yes; Hickman; yes, Ms. Slobodzian, yes; and Mr. Tarolli, yes. Motion carried, 7-0: per Mrs. Sarty.

Mrs. Gillman moved to adopt Ordinance 31-20; seconded by Ms. Hovis

Results of a voice roll call are as follows: Below, yes; Hovis, yes; Gillman, yes; Phillips, yes; Hickman; yes, Ms. Slobodzian, yes; and Mr. Tarolli, yes. Motion carried, 7-0: per Mrs. Sarty.

Ordinance 32-20

AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE CHIEF OF POLICE TO ENTER INTO AN AGREEMENT WITH THE STATE OF OHIO, DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES, FOR FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE FOR THE OPERATION OF THE PORT CLINTON HARBOR PATROL AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS.

Ms. Phillips moved to adopt Ordinance 32-20; seconded by Mrs. Gillman

Results of a voice roll call are as follows: Below, yes; Hovis, yes; Gillman, yes; Phillips, yes; Hickman; yes, Ms. Slobodzian, yes; and Mr. Tarolli, yes. Motion carried, 7-0: per Mrs. Sarty.

Resolution 20-12

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE DIRECTOR OF SAFETY AND SERVICE TO SUBMIT AN APPLICATION TO THE OHIO DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION (ODOT) TRANSPORTATION ALTERNATIVE PROGRAM (TAP) TO REQUEST PARTIAL FUNDING FOR THE CONSTRUCTION OF MULTI-USE TRAIL ON LAKESHORE DRIVE AND DECLARE AN EMERGENCY.

Mr. Below moved to retain emergency clause of Resolution 20-12; seconded by Mr. Tarolli

Results of a voice roll call are as follows: Below, yes; Hovis, yes; Gillman, yes; Phillips, yes; Hickman; yes, Ms. Slobodzian, yes; and Mr. Tarolli, yes. Motion carried, 7-0: per Mrs. Sarty.

Mr. Below moved to adopt Resolution 20-12; seconded by Mr. Tarolli

Results of a voice roll call are as follows: Below, yes; Hovis, yes; Gillman, yes; Phillips, yes; Hickman; yes, Ms. Slobodzian, yes; and Mr. Tarolli, yes. Motion carried, 7-0: per Mrs. Sarty.

SECOND READINGS

Ordinance 1-21

AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING AND DIRECTING THE DIRECTOR OF SAFETY AND SERVICE TO ADVERTISE FOR BIDS AND ENTER INTO A CONTRACT FOR THE CONSTRUCTION OF THE SAFE ROUTES TO SCHOOL PROJECT AND TO ADVERTISE FOR QUALIFICATIONS AND ENTER INTO A CONTRACT FOR CONSTRUCTION MANAGEMENT SERVICES FOR THE PROJECT, AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

No action taken – Ordinance 1-21 will be moved to a third reading on February 9, 2021, at the regular scheduled Council meeting.

Ordinance 2-21

AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING AND DIRECTING THE DIRECTOR OF SAFETY AND SERVICE TO ENTER INTO AN LPA FEDERAL LOCAL-LET PROJECT AGREEMENT WITH THE OHIO DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION (ODOT) FOR THE CONSTRUCTION OF WATER FRONT WALKWAY PROJECT, AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

Mr. Below moved to waive the third required reading of Ordinance 2-21; seconded by Ms. Phillips

Discussion: Mr. Below - Per Mr. Colston advice there is an upcoming deadline that we need to meet; otherwise, we will miss the opportunity. I recommend that we adopt the ordinance this evening.

Results of a voice roll call are as follows: Below, yes; Hovis, yes; Gillman, yes; Phillips, yes; Hickman; yes, Ms. Slobodzian, yes; and Mr. Tarolli, yes. Motion carried, 7-0: per Mrs. Sarty.

Mr. Below moved to retain emergency clause of Ordinance 2-21; seconded by Mr. Tarolli

Results of a voice roll call are as follows: Below, yes; Hovis, yes; Gillman, yes; Phillips, yes; Hickman; yes, Ms. Slobodzian, yes; and Mr. Tarolli, yes. Motion carried, 7-0: per Mrs. Sarty.

Mr. Below moved to adopt Ordinance 2-21; seconded by Mrs. Gillman

Results of a voice roll call are as follows: Below, yes; Hovis, yes; Gillman, yes; Phillips, yes; Hickman; yes, Ms. Slobodzian, yes; and Mr. Tarolli, yes. Motion carried, 7-0: per Mrs. Sarty.

FIRST READINGS

None

BUSINESS FROM THE FLOOR

Mr. Tarolli – Nothing to present

Mrs. Hickman – Ask to keep the family of Nikki Adams and her children in your prayers due to the loss of her husband.

Mrs. Gillman – Nothing to present

Ms. Phillips – Nothing to present

Ms. Hovis – Nothing to present

Ms. Slobodzian – Nothing to present

Mr. Below – An updated Rules of Council for 2021 was emailed to each council member. One edited item as followed:

The Clerk of Council would only accept ordinances / resolutions that occupy short memo summary sheets that would be plain language to include short title of ordinance, what it is intended to do, budget impacts, and a short history.

Mr. Below moves to adopt the 2021 Rules of Council; seconded by Mr. Tarolli

Results of a voice roll call are as follows: Below, yes; Hovis, yes; Gillman, yes; Phillips, yes; Hickman; yes, Ms. Slobodzian, yes; and Mr. Tarolli, yes. Motion carried, 7-0: per Mrs. Sarty.

Council we have a request from Administration to go into executive session.

Mr. Below motion to go into executive session to discuss matters to be kept confidential by state law and preparing for bargaining session with City employees; seconded by Mr. Tarolli.

Results of a voice roll call are as follows: Below, yes; Hovis, yes; Gillman, yes; Phillips, yes; Hickman; yes, Ms. Slobodzian, yes; and Mr. Tarolli, yes. Motion carried, 7-0: per Mrs. Sarty.

Executive session started at 6:35 p.m.

Members of the audience will be placed in the waiting room. Once executive session has concluded, audience members will be brought back into the Council meeting.

Executive session ended at 6:57.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

None

ADJOURNMENT

With no further business to discuss Ms. Phillips moved to adjourn; seconded by Mr. Below. With all those in favor, the meeting was adjourned at 6:57 p.m.

Sandra Ostheimer
Clerk of Council

Lisa Sarty
President of Council