

**PORT CLINTON CITY COUNCIL MINUTES  
REGULAR MEETING**

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The regular meeting of the Port Clinton City Council held in the Linda Hartlaub City Hall Chambers. Lisa Sarty, President of Council, presided and the meeting opened at 6:00 p.m.

The roll was called and the following Council members were present: Beth Gillman, Jerry Tarolli, Pat Hovis, Cathy King, Kelly Gangle, Richard Morgan and Margaret Phillips.

Ms. Phillips moved to approve regular meeting minutes for April 11, 2023; seconded by Mr. Tarolli. All agreed.

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

**GUEST PRESENTATION**           None

**PUBLIC COMMENT**           None

**PRESIDENT OF COUNCIL**

There are five new ordinances this evening:

- Ordinance 11-23, 12-23, 13-23, 14-23, and 15-23. All will be assigned to the Finance Committee. Administration requests that Council consider adopting all five ordinances on the second reading.

**MAYOR'S REPORT**

Update on Fourth of July activities. With inflation the total costs of the fireworks alone is \$16,000.00 this year. In donations provided the event holders are just shy of \$3,000.00 of their goal. In hopes that other fundraisers in town they will reach their goal. There will be full day of activities; starting with the 5K in the morning, leading to the fireworks in the evening.

Wetlands along Perry Street: The Administration has been in contact with the US Army Corp of Engineers to see when the fence surrounding the wetlands can come down. Administration were in hopes that it would be yet this spring. However, the US Army Corp of Engineers has advised they will come in this summer to evaluate and advised after.

Last evening was the Rotary Club of Port Clinton Pizza Challenge. Mayor Snider had the privilege to be a judge once again. Congratulations to the Rotary Club for another great year.

City Wide Clean-up went well this past Saturday. Thank you to the City crews, Republic Services and those who participated in keeping our City clean.

Reminder that there are ordinances that prevent "Living room Lawns" (furniture left in the boulevard), "Grass Holes" (grass in the streets), grass to be mowed when 6" or higher and garage sales must be registered. If anyone sees any of the items listed, please contact the Port Clinton Police Department to address. The non-emergency phone number is 419-734-3121 or email: [dispatch@portclintonpd.org](mailto:dispatch@portclintonpd.org)

Arbor Day is this Friday, April 28, 2023, 5:30 pm. The celebration will take place at Adam's Street Park in the 100 block.

The Administration is aware of the dead fish along the beach. When we had the warm spell the Lake spiked in temperature; killed a specific fish. This is occurring all along the western basin. The City crews will remove the fish as soon as possible.

Mayor Snider stopped at The Art Garage earlier today. There are many programs for adults and children. Most of the programs for children are at no charge. A new exhibit is going up currently "Feathers to Frames" that will run April 30 – May 22, 2023. A new addition this summer to The Art Garage is a blacksmith and glass blower. When an adult takes a glass blowing course (one on one course) a glass blowing course will be available to a child at no charge. The Art Garage has many that travel far to Port Clinton just to visit The Art Garage. Encourage everyone to stop down.

The Toledo Opera on Wheels will be performing at St. John Lutheran Church on Thursday, May 11, 2023, 7:00 pm; free admission. This event was organized by The Art Garage.

Mr. Tarolli inquired on the states of the Infrastructure Project.

Mayor Snider advised that the United States Department of Agriculture (USDA) are currently reviewing the plans and bidding process.

Mr. Colston advised we cannot go out for bid until the USDA has provided an approval. There is not a date available at this time.

Mr. Below advised that the USDA is proposing to secure 10M dollars for water and sewer in the form of grants (free money); this would offset our long-term costs. With the 10M dollars from USDA, 2M dollars from Army Corp of Engineers, and 4.5 million dollars from USEPA (congressional earmark) the preliminary financing is all done and we are paying on all of those. The water and service impact fee that everyone is paying in their water / sewer bill will cover the debt service for that part of the project. On the road project we will be several tens of thousands dollars short from the road levy revenue annually. It will be covered by the transferring funds from the general fund.

Ms. Phillips inquired about the seagulls' downtown.

Mr. Colston advised that the building owners downtown have to file permits to remove the eggs. Some building owners have done so; others have not. The nest can only be moved if there are no eggs in it. The City of Port Clinton has no jurisdiction on this matter.

**AUDITOR'S REPORT** The City submitted a request for \$500,000 from the Department of Justice for police equipment (cruisers, K9, and drone). The Administration was advised that the request has been moved to the second phase for consideration.

The US Forest Service will be implementing a 1.5B program for urban forest planting, maintenance and other activities. The State of Ohio through ODNR Forestry will get a significant amount. The City will apply for funding to assist in planting and maintaining trees with in the City. This grant is for five years. Application will be submitted later this summer / early fall. Will continue conversation with the Tree Commission when more information is available.

**TREASURER’S REPORT**      Bed Tax: \$ 20,642.04  
   Watercraft Tax: \$ 6,267.32

**LAW DIRECTOR REPORT**      During the last Council meeting Ms. Shenker advised Council of the detachment of Fultons Whiskey Run, LLC property from City of Port Clinton to Portage Township. The Ottawa County Common Pleas Court has signed the documents and it is officially in Portage Township.

Charles Tingler has filed many law suits with the City of Port Clinton, Port Clinton Police Department and Ottawa County Sheriff’s Office. In addition to over 100 writs of mandamus to the Ohio Supreme Court. Mr. Tingler has been declared a vexatious litigator by the Ohio Supreme Court. This means all of his law suits and writs of mandamus have been dismissed; to include the ones against the City of Port Clinton and Port Clinton Police Department. He can no longer file anything without the permission of the Ohio Supreme Court.

**SAFETY SERVICE**      Nothing to present

**FIRE CHIEF**              Not present

**POLICE CHIEF**         Not present

**COMMITTEE REPORTS**

***Finance Committee***

**Ms. Hovis**

Finance Committee will meet on Tuesday, May 9, 2023, 5:30 pm.

***Environment and Public Works Committee***

**Mr. Tarolli**

Environment and Public Works committee will meet on Tuesday, May 9, 2023, 6:30 pm (following City Council meeting).

***Safety Services Committee***

**Ms. Phillips**

Nothing to report

***Economic and Community Development Committee***

**Mrs. Gillman**

Economic and Community Development Committee will meet after this evening's Council meeting.

**CORRESPONDENCE**

Architectural Review Board, March 9, 2023, minutes

Mr. Tarolli moved to approve the correspondence as stated; seconded by Ms. Phillips. All agreed.

**THIRD READING OF ORDINANCES AND RESOLUTIONS**

**Ordinance 10-23**

AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZNG AND DIRECTING THE DIRECTOR OF SAFETY AND SERVICE TO ENTER INTO A CONCESSIONS LICENSE AT WATERWORKS PARK WITH NORTH COAST BEACHFITTERS

Mr. Tarolli moved to adopt Ordinance 10-23; seconded by Mrs. King.

Mr. Tarolli advised that Environment and Public Works Committee voted 3-0 to recommend Council to adopt Ordinance 10-23.

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

**Resolution 23-5**

A RESOLUTION TO APPROPRIATE FUNDS FOR THE PURPOSE OF DECORATION OF GRAVES, CONDUCTING MEMORIAL SERVICES AND OTHERWISE ENGAGING IN ACTIVITIES APPROPRIATE FOR THE CELEBRATION OF MEMORIAL DAY 2023

Mr. Tarolli moved to adopt Resolution 23-5; seconded by Mrs. King.

Mr. Tarolli advised it is nice that we are doing this ahead of time.

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

**SECOND READING OF ORDINANCES AND RESOLUTIONS**

None

## FIRST READING OF ORDINANCES AND RESOLUTIONS

### **Ordinance 11-23**

AN ORDINANCE ADOPTING THE SOLID WASTE MANAGEMENT PLAN FOR THE OTTAWA-SANDUSKY-SENECA JOINT SOLID WASTE MANAGEMENT DISTRICT AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY

No action taken – Ordinance 11-23 will be moved to second reading on May 9, 2023, at the regular scheduled Council meeting

### **Ordinance 12-23**

AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING AND DIRECTING THE DIRECTOR OF SAFETY AND SERVICE TO ENTER INTO A THREE-YEAR WAGE INCREASE AGREEMENT WITH THE TEAMSTERS LOCAL 20 AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY

No action taken – Ordinance 12-23 will be moved to second reading on May 9, 2023, at the regular scheduled Council meeting

### **Ordinance 13-23**

AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING AND DIRECTING THE DIRECTOR OF SAFETY AND SERVICE TO ENTER INTO A THREE-YEAR WAGE INCREASE AGREEMENT WITH FRATERNAL ORDER OF POLICE LODGE NO. 79 AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY

No action taken – Ordinance 13-23 will be moved to second reading on May 9, 2023, at the regular scheduled Council meeting

### **Ordinance 14-23**

AN ORDINANCE REVISING AND FIXING THE SALARIES AND BENEFITS OF CERTAIN SUPERVISORY POSITIONS CLASSIFIED AS EXEMPT EMPLOYEES OF THE CITY OF PORT CLINTON, OHIO, AND REPLACING ANY PREVIOUS ORDINANCES REFERENCING SALARIES FOR CERTAIN EXEMPT EMPLOYEES AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

No action taken – Ordinance 14-23 will be moved to second reading on May 9, 2023, at the regular scheduled Council meeting

**Ordinance 15-23**

AN ORDINANCE REVISING AND FIXING THE WAGES OF CERTAIN SUPERVISORY POSITIONS CLASSIFIED AS NON-EXEMPT EMPLOYEES OF THE CITY OF PORT CLINTON, OHIO, NOT COVERED BY A COLLECTIVE BARGAINING AGREEMENT AND REPLACING ANY PREVIOUS ORDINANCES REFERENCING WAGES FOR CERTAIN NON-EXEMPT EMPLOYEES, AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY

No action taken – Ordinance 15-23 will be moved to second reading on May 9, 2023, at the regular scheduled Council meeting

**BUSINESS FROM THE FLOOR**

**Ms. Hovis** – Nothing to present

**Mr. Tarolli** – Reminder that Miller Pipe Line is in different areas of town working. Please keep an eye out for their equipment and employees.

**Mrs. King** – The Arts Garage will be having their Appetite for the Arts fundraiser on September 16, 2023.

**Mr. Morgan** – The Art Garage, there are a lot of talented artist on display there. A writer’s group meets every third Thursday of the month at 6:00 pm at The Art Garage.

**Ms. Gangle** – Nothing to present

**Ms. Phillips** – Nothing to present

**Mrs. Gillman** – Who won the Pizza Challenge last evening?

Mayor Snider advised, The Adult Specialty winner was Cameo; Jalapeno Popper Pizza.

Thank you to the City employees working the City Wide Clean-up.

Encourage all to visit The Arts Garage when the black smith and glass blower are on site.

**ANNOUNCEMENTS** None

**ADJOURNMENT**

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With no further business to discuss Ms. Phillips moved to adjourn; seconded by Mr. Tarolli. With all those in favor, the meeting was adjourned at 6:30 p.m.

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Sandra Ostheimer  
Clerk of Council

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Lisa Sarty  
President of Council