

**PORT CLINTON CITY COUNCIL MINUTES
REGULAR MEETING**

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 25, 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 Larry Holman, 419 W. Sixth Street, Port Clinton

Thank you to the Administration, Council and those who attended the Arbor Day Celebration.

Earlier today, Mr. Holman, Mr. Tarolli, and Mr. Domokos attended the Tree City Conference in Wauseon, Ohio. The City of Port Clinton received a 34th Tree City Award.

PRESIDENT OF COUNCIL

There are five ordinances under second reading this evening:

- Ordinance 11-23, 12-23, 13-23, 14-23, and 15-23. Administration requests that Council consider adopting Ordinance 12-23, 13-23, 14-23 & 15-23 this evening.

Back the Blue 5k is this Saturday, May 13, 2023; registration is at 7:00 am, race will begin at 8:00 am.

MAYOR'S REPORT

4th of July fundraiser efforts are \$1,000.00 from their goal. Ala Carte Cafe and Ala Carte After Hours will continue the Coins for Kabooms Campaign. Please ask you server to round your bill up and the change will go towards the Coins for Kabooms. If anyone would like to make a donation, please write a check to Port Clinton Chamber of Commerce Foundation, in the memo write "Fireworks". Please mail or drop off at the Port Clinton Chamber of Commerce, 110 Madison Street, Port Clinton.

Reminder: City ordinances prohibit: "Living Room Lawns" – discarded furniture left on the boulevard, "Grass Holes" – grass clippings blown into the street. It is required that all garage sales be registered at Port Clinton City Hall. It is the season to mow your lawn. Please note there is an ordinance that grass is to remain 6" or less. High grass and weeds letters will be mailed to properties owners to address when necessary.

Thank you Mr. Larry Holman, Tree Commission, there was a wonderful Arbor Day Celebration on Friday, April 28, 2023. It was cold and wet; but a wonderful time. Loved the addition of the trivia with the Scouts.

Administration, Chief Scott, and Chief Johnson have met with the Port Clinton Main Street to go over the upcoming Walleye Festival over Memorial Day weekend. The amusement rides will only be on site during the festival.

The Fire Department is in the process of marking graves of former fire fighters with a flag at Lakeview and Riverview Cemetery. If anyone was overlooked, please contact Chief Kent Johnson at 419-734-3430.

If you have any old linens (bath towels, wash cloth, hand towels, etc.), please donate them to the Port Clinton Fire Department. They are used to cool fire fighters down when in extreme heat. They are placed in cold water to place on their heads. If you are unable to drop them off at the fire department, please contact Chief Kent Johnson at 419-734-3430, he will make arrangements to pick them up.

The home at 115 Adams Street was demoed recently. The home at 111 Adams Street was demoed in the last the last year. Excited to see what the owner has planned.

Earlier today, the Tax Commissioner, Michelle Bryant held a conference for all Tax Commissioners of North West Ohio at Port Clinton City Hall.

Reminder next Monday, May 15, 2023, the first half of 100 block of Madison Street will be blocked off for the former "Mom District", newly named "The District" to begin set up for the summer season.

The Port Clinton Main Street Administration held a meeting regarding MORA with all the downtown business owners who serve alcohol. The meeting included a conference call with the head of Ohio Department of Liquor Control. There are new regulations that needed to be discussed. On Thursday, May 11, 2023, there will be two representatives from the Ohio Department of Liquor Control meeting with anyone that holds a liquor license in the downtown area to complete audits and discuss the new regulations to remain in compliant.

Previously Council adopted Ordinance 10-23 to allow North Coast Beachfitters to enter into a concession stand license at Waterworks Park. They will be installing their container the week of June 5, 2023.

The week of June 5, 2023, the City of Port Clinton is having Ohio Edison begin turning out street lights for the May Fly season. We could be a week earlier or week late in determining the best time to turn off the lights. Ohio Edison requires a two week notice prior to shut off date.

Wednesday, June 14, 2023, will be the Special Olympics Torch Run. They will come through Ottawa County, then take the Port Clinton Police boat to Put-in-Bay and then return to Port Clinton. A small run will be held at Waterworks Park, then to "The District" for a picnic.

Update on “FLIP”. It was 1,489 days ago that the discussion started about the Infrastructure Project. This Friday, May 12, 2023, Mr. Colston will be going to Bowling Green, Ohio to discuss the current status on the grant application with the USDA. Mr. Below and Mayor Snider will be attending the meeting electronically. In hopes to learn the actual date the project will begin. Thank you to Mr. Below and Mr. Colston for all the documentation and hard work to help gain additional funding for the Infrastructure Project.

Two days ago, was Mayor Snider’s granddaughter Layla’s 8th birthday.

AUDITOR’S REPORT

Mr. Below provided Council members a copy of the April 2023, Financial Report. He advised the General Fund is doing well, higher that it was at the same time last year. The Sewer Fund is doing remarkably well, expenditures are down and revenue is up. The Infrastructure Improvement Fund is very healthy.

Mr. Tarolli inquired if the American Rescue Plan funds can be invested?

Mr. Below is not sure, he will investigate and advise.

TREASURER’S REPORT Bed Tax: \$ 24,561.90
 Watercraft Tax: \$ 11,323.57

LAW DIRECTOR REPORT

Ms. Shenker provided a public service announcement: There are constant complaints on The Talk of Port Clinton... (Facebook) about the City or what they are not doing. If you feel the need to respond, please direct them to fill out a problem report (available on the City’s website: portclinton.com) or call City Hall. The office staff will make sure the proper person contact’s them to help resolve the issue.

Ms. Phillips advised a home had mowed the boulevard but neglected to mow the yard.

Ms. Shenker advised that there is an ordinance regarding high grass (6” or higher is in violation). Call City Hall to report the address and a letter will be mailed to the property owner.

SAFETY SERVICE Mr. Gary Baty is in attendance this evening from Ottawa-Seneca-Sandusky Joint Solid Waste Management District. Mr. Colston requests Council to considering adopting Ordinance 11-23 at the second reading.

Receiving many calls regarding electric aggregation from community members. Mr. Colston reached out to Palmer Energy who the City has a contract with for the City buildings. Palmer Energy emailed the following information: *“Electric Aggregation is in place in the City of Port Clinton as well as the townships in Ottawa County. The current rate is fixed at \$0.0481. This ends December 2023. A new rate will come out in October for the next contract. Edison will be at 12 cents this June. Call Energy Harbor at 866-636-3749 to enroll in the electric aggregation.*

If you are in the aggregation, you will receive the opt out letter for the next one that will begin in December and make the decision to stay or opt out."

FIRE CHIEF Not present

POLICE CHIEF Not present

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Finance Committee

Ms. Hovis

Finance Committee met prior to this evening's Council meeting. The following was discussed: Ordinance 12-23, 13-23, 14-23, & 15-23

Environment and Public Works Committee

Mr. Tarolli

Environment and Public Works committee has been cancelled this evening.

Safety Services Committee

Ms. Phillips

Nothing to report.

Economic and Community Development Committee

Mrs. Gillman

Nothing to report.

CORRESPONDENCE

Ms. Phillips moved to add the April 2023, Financial Report to correspondence this evening; seconded by Mr. Tarolli. All agreed.

April 2023, Financial Report, supplied by Gabe Below.

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

THIRD 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

Mr. Tarolli moved to waive the three required readings for Ordinance 11-23; seconded by Mrs. Gillman.

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

Mr. Tarolli moved to retain the emergency clause for Ordinance 11-23; seconded by Mrs. Gillman.

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

Mr. Baty, Director of Ottawa-Sandusky-Seneca Joint Solid Waste Management District advised a new plan is required to be reviewed and revised every fifteen years. Every 5 years they reach out to all the cities, villages, and townships to review and vote on. What this plan consists of are the recycle bins within communities, special collections (ex: tires, electric and appliance), education for adults and kindergarten thru fifth grade students, adopt a road program, and competitive grants are available twice a year.

Mr. Tarolli inquired where community members can locate all this information.

Mr. Baty advised that all this information is available at the website: <https://recycleoss.org/>. Also available of Facebook.

Mr. Tarolli moved to adopt Ordinance 11-23; seconded by Mrs. Gillman.

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

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

Ms. Hovis moved to waive the three required readings for Ordinance 12-23; seconded by Mr. Tarolli.

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

Ms. Hovis moved to retain the emergency clause for Ordinance 12-23; seconded by Mr. Tarolli.

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

Ms. Hovis moved to adopt Ordinance 12-23; seconded by Mr. Tarolli.

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

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

Ms. Hovis moved to waive the three required readings for Ordinance 13-23; seconded by Mr. Tarolli.

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

Ms. Hovis moved to retain the emergency clause for Ordinance 13-23; seconded by Mr. Tarolli.

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

Ms. Hovis advised that the Finance Committee agreed 3-0 to recommend City Council to consider adopting Ordinance 13-23.

Ms. Hovis moved to adopt Ordinance 13-23; seconded by Mr. Tarolli.

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

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.

Ms. Hovis moved to waive the three required readings for Ordinance 14-23; seconded by Mr. Tarolli.

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

Ms. Hovis moved to retain the emergency clause for Ordinance 14-23; seconded by Mr. Tarolli.

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

Ms. Hovis moved to adopt Ordinance 14-23; seconded by Mr. Tarolli.

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

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

Ms. Hovis moved to waive the three required readings for Ordinance 15-23; seconded by Mr. Tarolli.

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

Ms. Hovis moved to retain the emergency clause for Ordinance 15-23; seconded by Mr. Tarolli.

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

Ms. Hovis moved to adopt Ordinance 15-23; seconded by Mr. Tarolli.

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

None

BUSINESS FROM THE FLOOR

Ms. Hovis – Nothing to present

Mr. Tarolli – Expand on Mr. Holman’s statement. The City of Port Clinton has 34 years with Tree City USA. There are very few other communities that have more.

Thank you Mr. Colston and Mr. Below on the hard work you did on the above four ordinances.

Mrs. King – Kudos to the Water Department in advising her that she had high water usage to address. Really appreciate it.

Mr. Morgan – Nothing to present

Ms. Gangle – Nothing to present

Ms. Phillips – Attended the Arbor Day Celebration, sorry more people were not in attendance. It was very nice to see the young Scouts participating, they led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Mrs. Gillman – Nothing to present

ANNOUNCEMENTS None

ADJOURNMENT

With no further business to discuss Ms. Phillips moved to adjourn; seconded by Mrs. King. With all those in favor, the meeting was adjourned at 6:48 p.m.

Sandra Ostheimer
Clerk of Council

Lisa Sarty
President of Council