

CLYDE CITY COUNCIL
Regular Session – July 6, 2021

Clyde City Council met at 7:00 p.m. on Tuesday, July 6, 2021 in Council Chambers of the Municipal Building, 222 N. Main Street, Clyde, Ohio. Mayor G. Scott Black called the meeting to order.

Roll Call.

Present: Mayor G. Scott Black
Vice Mayor Jean Jackson
Council Member Bobbie Boyer
Council Member Steve Keegan
Council Member Brent Stanley
City Manager Paul Fiser (Not voting)
Clerk of Council Janet Dickman (Not voting)
Deputy Clerk Jackie Hoppe (Not voting)
Finance Director Craig Davis (Not voting)
IT Justin LaBenne (Not voting)

Absent/

Excused: Solicitor Zachary Selvey

Visitors signing in can be referenced in the Record Book Supplement.

The meeting opened with The Lord's Prayer followed by the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

The minutes of the June 15, 2021 regular session of council were distributed for review prior to this meeting. There were no corrections.

Motion: to approve the minutes of the June 15, 2021 regular session of council as written,

Action: Approve,

Moved by Council Member Brent Stanley, **Seconded by** Vice Mayor Jean Jackson.

Vote: Motion carried by unanimous roll call vote (**summary:** Yes = 5).

Yes: Mayor G. Scott Black, Council Member Bobbie Boyer, Council Member Brent Stanley, Vice Mayor Jean Jackson, Council Member Steve Keegan.

DISCUSSION OF PENDING OLD BUSINESS

Ms. Jackson again questioned the capacity of the City pool (unknown; Mr. Fiser will follow-up).

Ms. Jackson reported drivers who are going north, before Fox Avenue, are speeding to the stop light. She suggested moving the "reduced speed sign" to the south.

Mr. Stanley questioned the status of re-painting crosswalks (they have only done the crosswalks on the roads that were re-done last year; staff are currently busy doing prep work for paving projects; they usually do painting at the end of the summer).

Mr. Stanley reported sewer line caps that are not secure – at the intersection of Vine Street/Route 20 and on Hamer Street.

CORRESPONDENCE

- A Thank you note for an expression of sympathy from the family of Richard Farrar
- A Clyde Fair parade entry notification (copies were distributed to all Council members)

Visitors:

Gary Miller requested an update on the status of the CRA (Clyde City Council has approved the legislation and the CRA application has been submitted to the State for approval; Council will need to assemble a Housing Council; Mr. Davis indicated we are moving forward with this).

FIRST READING ORDINANCES

There was none.

SECOND READING ORDINANCES

There was none.

RESOLUTIONS

There was none.

ADMINISTRATIVE REPORT

Mr. Fiser gave the following report:

We hope everyone had a great 4th holiday! From the City's perspective, all went well. The fireworks by Pyrotechnico went off without a hitch and were well received. Our longtime exhibitor "Butch Spencer" will be calling that his last July 4th show after 51 years. Mr. Fiser has worked with Butch for about half of those years and wishes him well. The City will still be in good hands though. Butch may come back to do the City's Christmas fireworks.

Route 20 Sewer Separation – the project is moving along nicely. Since we last met the Route 20 closure started off with some issues with the detours, but it smoothed out and went relatively well. N&S completed the grade-crossing replacement simultaneously with Mosser placing the 18" storm across 20. As far as the main line sewer installation, progress has extended from East Street west to the area of Church Street (369 feet +/-) in ground. Mosser is hoping to get the main line along 20 complete this week.

Mulberry Street Bridge – we are still coordinating with Columbia Gas for their relocation work. The official approval of Ohio Public Works funds should be in the mail this week.

Paving Project – General Services continues working on the prep work. We are hoping to get this done this year, but it may not happen until next year.

Mayor Black questioned when the Ames Street repaving will start (the bidding will be this year, but we are not sure if they will start paving this year). On Yost Street there are two culverts

marked to be raised to the level of the sidewalk; when will this occur (Mr. Fiser will follow-up on this).

Mrs. Boyer questioned how long Mulberry Street will be closed (maybe ten to twelve weeks).

FINANCE DIRECTOR'S REPORT

Mr. Davis reported the portal is now open so we can apply for American Rescue Plan (ARP) funds. He participates in conferences calls to learn specifics related to the grants and to hear question and answer sessions.

The Finance Office has been back fully open (after COVID) for a month but foot traffic remains low. Possibly customers have grown accustomed to other non-contact ways to do their business.

The Community Reinvestment Act (CRA) application has been submitted and we are waiting for the State to reply/approve it.

Income Tax Collections for June was dismal but we remain above budget by 10% YTD. We have heard that other businesses are experiencing the same activity.

FIRE DEPARTMENT REPORT

Chief Davis reported that firefighters were on the scene of a fire at Evergreen for about four hours, with no injuries reported. The fire was in the processing plant near a motor. Discussion was held with the Evergreen Plant Manager, noting that the conditions inside the plant are unacceptable.

COUNCIL REMARKS

Ms. Jackson stated the fireworks were great as usual; she questioned the cost (\$22,000 +/-).

Ms. Jackson inquired regarding the location of the three Soofa signs (the plaza, Paden Lane and Community Park).

Ms. Jackson received a complaint regarding dogs running off leash at the top of the reservoir, noting a woman was knocked down by a running dog.

A woman who spoke to Ken Winke, Zoning Inspector, regarding trees that are in need of trimming needed to supply the address of the trees; the address is 304 W. Buckeye Street.

Ms. Jackson noted that Cyclone garbage service does offer a service to senior citizens and to handicapped residents where by Cyclone staff come to the resident's trash bin to collect their trash, so the resident does not need to haul the bin to the curb. These residents are appreciative of this service.

Ms. Jackson questioned the opening date for a Dunkin Donuts in Clyde (unknown).

Mr. Keegan feels there are areas of the bike trail that residents would not feel safe traveling, due

to some kids acting up in some areas and some other areas are overgrown. He questioned how often the trail is patrolled (unknown; they would be patrolled by the Sandusky County Parks Ranger). Mr. Keegan feels the trails should be routinely patrolled.

Mr. Keegan drove by the City pool today and noted the parking lot seemed to be about half full. He questioned if there has ever been a discussion or if there would be room for a splash pad to add here for kids to enjoy (Mr. Fiser to follow-up on this).

Mr. Keegan questioned the status of new playground equipment that was approved during the budget process and approved to be ordered (delivery date is unknown).

Mr. Keegan questioned if there is an update related to the Clyde Fair (there will be no car show).

Mr. Keegan questioned the circumstances of a trash can fire at the park (staff have met to discuss temporary and permanent plans for surveillance).

Mr. Keegan questioned the circumstances of a recent incident where a car drove into the reservoir (it seemed to be an intentional act).

Mr. Keegan saw many people out in Clyde celebrating the 4th of July.

Mr. Keegan complimented the railroad crossing replacement by Billings as being well done. Regarding the grain trains, he noted it would be less inconvenient if they could move these trains during a 1:00 a.m. to 4:00 a.m. timeframe instead of during the day. The railroad had offered in the past that they could avoid moving trains during the parade time, so they should also be able to avoid daylight times.

Mrs. Boyer appreciated the recent fireworks.

Mrs. Boyer reported a sewer cap on the corner of Cherry Street that needs attention.

Mrs. Boyer commended Chief Campbell for the de-escalation training for his officers.

Mr. Stanley requested clarification that it was stated the paving project may or may not get done in 2021 (correct, it will depend on the contractors schedule). He questioned if the money allocated for this project would be carried over to 2022 (yes).

Mr. Stanley feels the recent fireworks were great.

Mr. Stanley questioned if the reduced foot traffic in the business office is due to an increased usage in credit card payments (no, the usage has remained consistent; there could be an increased use of the drop box).

Mr. Stanley appreciates the comment regarding Cyclones service for seniors and handicapped, and noted they offer other services as well.

Mr. Stanley questioned the next step to improve the conditions at Evergreen, as he would hate to see anyone get hurt (fire inspections could be an option; the new plant manager seems to be receptive to recommendations).

Mr. Keegan questioned if there were EPA concerns related to the smoke from that fire (no).

Mayor Black questioned if Council needs to vote on Evergreen's expansion (no, Evergreen passed on the enterprise zone tax abatement, that would have needed Council's approval).

Mr. Stanley referenced a statement made two Council meetings ago that Mr. Brown did not know what was going in on the property by the Auto Zone, but now there is construction going on at that location. He questioned timely communication to Council related to new businesses (routinely, new businesses request that Mr. Brown not communicate their intentions until they are ready to make an announcement and Mr. Brown respects their wishes). What will happen with the rest of the acreage at that location (they are proceeding without a split).

Mayor Black offered thanks for the fireworks as they were great.

Mayor Black has heard multiple requests to ask Mr. Carter to do a car show during the Clyde Fair; he passed those requests on to Ms. Jackson, the Council liaison to the Fair Board, to take to the next Fair Board meeting.

Mayor Black has experienced two instances of being stopped by the grain train in the past couple of weeks. He noted that with the current construction and detours, it made it even more difficult to get around the stopped trains. We need a better solution to this problem.

MOTIONS

There was none.

ADJOURNMENT

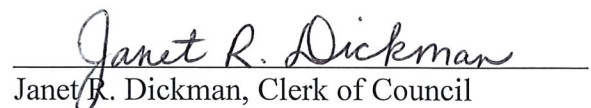
Motion: to adjourn the meeting at 7:40 p.m., **Action:** Adjourn,

Moved by Mayor G. Scott Black, **Seconded by** Council Member Steve Keegan.

Vote: Motion carried by unanimous roll call vote (**summary:** Yes = 5).

Yes: Council Member Bobbie Boyer, Council Member Brent Stanley, Council Member Jean Jackson, Council Member Steve Keegan, Mayor G. Scott Black.


G. Scott Black, Mayor


Janet R. Dickman, Clerk of Council

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COUNCIL MEETING

Date: Tuesday July 6, 2021 Regular Session

Visitors – PLEASE SIGN IN:

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2. Chin J. Lin
3. Gary Smith
4. Gary J. Miller
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