

CLYDE CITY COUNCIL
Regular Session – March 1, 2022

Clyde City Council met at 7:00 p.m. on Tuesday, March 1 2022 in Council Chambers of the Municipal Building, 222 N. Main Street, Clyde, Ohio. Mayor Brent Stanley called the meeting to order.

Roll Call.

Present: Mayor Brent Stanley
Vice Mayor Chris Shay
Council Member Scott Black
Council Member Steve Keegan
Council Member Doug McCauley
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)
Solicitor Zachary Selvey (Not voting)

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 February 15, 2022 regular session of council were distributed for review prior to this meeting. There were no corrections.

Motion: to approve the minutes of the February 15, 2022 regular session of council as written,

Action: Approve,

Moved by Council Member Doug McCauley, **Seconded by** Council Member Steve Keegan.

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

Yes: Mayor Brent Stanley, Vice Mayor Chris Shay, Council Member Scott Black, Council Member Steve Keegan, Council Member Doug McCauley.

DISCUSSION OF PENDING OLD BUSINESS

There was none.

CORRESPONDENCE

There was none.

Visitors: Clyde High School Prom Committee

Audrey Distel, a junior at Clyde High School, spoke on behalf of the prom committee. The prom is scheduled to be held on May 7. The committee requests financial support, which will go towards dinner and prom tickets for students.

Mr. Keegan has served on Council for 20 some years. He appreciates students coming before Council when they wish to request financial support. He questioned an approximate number of students who will attend prom (about 400). He is glad the school will be able to hold the prom this year and he hopes maybe things are starting to get back to normal somewhat.

Mr. McCauley was a teacher for 33 years in the Clyde School System, with 28 of those years at CHS. Although he did not serve as a chaperone for prom, he has helped his Art students with decorations for prom and he is aware that all of the preparations are a lot of work. Prom is a memorable event for students and 99.9% of the time, it is a very safe event. He feels the City should help with this request if they are able to.

Mr. Shay appreciates the in-person request, and he wishes everyone a nice, safe prom.

Mr. Black has also been on Council a long time like Mr. Keegan and he appreciates the in-person request, and noted Council might not approve the financial support if the request was not made in-person. He hopes everyone has fun and will be safe.

Mayor Stanley echoes these comments and noting the memories will last a long time.

FIRST READING ORDINANCES

2022-19 AN ORDINANCE AMENDING PART 15 – FIRE PREVENTION CODE, AND CREATING CHAPTER 1525 – REGISTRATION OF VACANT COMMERCIAL AND INDUSTRIAL BUILDINGS, OF THE CODIFIED ORDINANCES, IN THE MANNER AND WAY SPECIFICALLY SET FORTH HEREIN BELOW.

Ordinance No. **2022-19** was read by title only.

Mr. Fiser noted that ClydeScope formed a sub-committee to put this Ordinance together. The wording is modeled after guidelines used in Sandusky and in Fremont. Mr. Fiser feels this would be doable and there would be a handful of properties in Clyde who would register according to this Ordinance.

Bill Brown spoke on behalf of ClydeScope, with Jeff Gillmor, ClydeScope member also present. They spearheaded this legislation and they see this as an opportunity to enhance economic development in our community. The goal is to prevent a property from becoming a public nuisance. Members of the subcommittee included Mr. Brown, Mr. Gillmor, Steve Spader, Aaron Wilson and Paul Fiser. Bob Gross, Economic Development Director in Fremont, lent his expertise to the development discussions. ClydeScope feels this code could be successful and be a great benefit to the community.

Mr. Selvey met with this subcommittee once. He feels it can be tricky from an enforcement standpoint as it can be hard to show evidence that a building is vacant. This could be something that we could enforce in extreme situations. It is also hard to not have loopholes within the code. Some wording is intentionally vague to allow for some discretion.

Mr. Keegan feels this is a step in the right direction. He questioned if adjustments to the code could be made in the future (yes).

Mr. McCauley agrees this is a step in the right direction. He requested clarification on the term “vacant”; does a building need to be 100% vacant or can it be partially vacant. Mr. Selvey explained it would be easy to identify a building as vacant if they are not using any electric or gas or if there are broken windows. However, if a building is being used as storage it could be harder to identify it as vacant.

Mr. Shay echoes these comments and he is excited to see where this leads.

Mr. Black has been a longtime member of ClydeScope. He feels this code is long overdue.

Mayor Stanley stated it is a step in the right direction to making sure we can have successful businesses, if they so choose, locate here. He appreciates the work that has gone into developing this.

Mayor Stanley announced that Ordinance No. **2022-19** had its first reading.

SECOND READING ORDINANCES

There were none.

RESOLUTIONS

2022-20 A RESOLUTION TO APPOINT ANTHONY PALICKA TO THE CLYDE RECREATION BOARD.

Resolution No. **2022-20** was read in its entirety.

Mr. Keegan does not know this applicant, but he saw on Facebook that he is active in youth programs at the park. He is glad Mr. Palicka has shown an interest and is signed up for a four year term.

Mr. McCauley extended thanks to Mr. Palicka for volunteering his time and effort. He also appreciates the well-written letter that Mr. Palicka submitted for consideration.

Mr. Shay offered his thanks.

Mr. Black offered his thanks.

Mayor Stanley slightly knows Mr. Palicka through coaching. He observes that Mr. Palicka is active in the community and feels he will be a great addition to the Board. Mayor Stanley offered his thanks.

Motion: to pass Resolution No. **2022-20**, **Action:** Pass,

Moved by Vice Mayor Chris Shay, **Seconded by** Mayor Brent Stanley.

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

Yes: Vice Mayor Chris Shay, Council Member Scott Black, Council Member Steve Keegan, Council Member Doug McCauley, Mayor Brent Stanley.

Mayor Black announced that Resolution No. **2022-20** passed.

ADMINISTRATIVE REPORT

Mr. Fiser gave the following report:

Mulberry Street Bridge – progress is moving along quickly. Tomorrow is the tentative date to start setting box sections, twenty-four sections. Great Lakes is shooting to complete the placement in one day but that is a tall order.

Zavala Property – Last Tuesday we closed on the 4.5 acres of property on Raccoon Creek. I want to thank Solicitor Selvey for his work on this one. He was kind of under the gun on this one but we made a good sale for both sides.

Snow/Ice Control – YTD staff have worked 214 regular hours and 517 overtime hours. We have used about 750 tons of salt, which is $\frac{3}{4}$ of what we typically use.

Online Recreation Registration Platform – CivicRec is up and running and can be located at the Rec Department page. We've got: 1) youth baseball/softball, 2) Kids camp, 3) Volleyball, 4) Cheerleading, 5) Flag football. Registration is currently up and ready to go.

Miscellaneous:

- Two new Police Tahoes are still getting upfitted
- Nothing new to report on the Turnpike Force Main, as it is still in the Turnpike's hands
- Reservoirs are creeping up to the full marks. There should be no issues headed into summer.
- Lasso's Retirement – hopefully you all got to either hear or see Lasso's last call. It was emotional for Carla, but a new K-9 puppy is on the way. Chief Campbell and Jackie are planning a meet and greet for Lasso at our next meeting so they will push out the details to you soon

FINANCE DIRECTOR'S REPORT

Mr. Davis reported the issues with the servers and issues with the new software, issues that delayed completion of the year end 2021 financial statements and the January financial statements, have been resolved. Finance staff are currently working on the February financial statements.

January financial statement highlights:

- All fund cash balances are in great positions
- Electric Fund is exceptionally high due to a duplicate payment by a high consumer; payer requested to apply the duplicate payment to the next month instead of requesting a refund
- Interest Income will be discussed in the near future when the Investment Committee

convenes

Finance staff are working to upload PO's for 2022.

Tax season is upon us. Some filers are using the e-file system.

We are finishing up the CMI conversion for payroll.

FIRE DEPARTMENT REPORT

Chief Davis reported there have been 23 calls for the year.

On March 12 and March 13 there will be training sessions at Penta where 800-900 firefighters will be present. Clyde Fire Department will send a handful of firefighters for this training.

COUNCIL REMARKS

Mr. Keegan is concerned regarding a phone pole (not a City pole) across from Cherry Street Park that is leaning; the wires need converted to a new pole. There is another pole at Cherry and Church Streets that is also leaning (that pole was just replaced).

Mr. Keegan reported a disabled car on the dead end of Fairhome Street, in the street. This car has no motor or hood.

Mr. Keegan expressed concern related to a bridge at CR 260 by the bike trail that is leaning towards the bridge; this should be brought to the rangers attention who patrols this area.

Mr. Keegan commended Becky Brooks for a nice write up in the *News-Messenger* for Lasso's retirement. He recalls in the past there were donations made for Police K-9, for a K-9 vest, for food, etc. There have been no donations so far for the new Police K-9 who will replace Lasso. Mr. Keegan made a personal donation for this purpose. Having a K-9 is a plus for police work.

Mr. McCauley agreed the telephone pole that Mr. Keegan referred to is at a 45-degree angle and is leaning more each day.

Mr. McCauley met with General Services Superintendent Bill Hamilton. Mr. McCauley toured the new GS building, noting it is very clean and impressive. Mr. Hamilton explained that the majority of our plow drivers are young and new to this type of work. Mr. McCauley commended them for a job well done and he commended Mr. Hamilton for doing a wonderful job.

Mr. Shay attended a meeting at the Neely Center (Terra) with Mr. Brown and Mr. LaBenne. During a presentation, several municipalities in Seneca and Sandusky counties were recognized for boosting economic development. Evergreen and Whirlpool were recognized for their significant contributions. There were many accolades for the City of Clyde.

Mayor Stanley commended the City crew for doing a phenomenal job during a couple recent snowstorms. There are a lot of roads to get clean, and this crew is out driving all night to

accomplish this. The crew had to deal with both ice and snow.

Mr. McCauley questioned where we stand with the Sandusky County landbank (a house on West Cherry Street will come down with the demolition money; there are five or six additional houses on the list for the same program). What is the timeframe for the demolition (the Cherry Street house should be done pretty quick). Will any of the additional houses be done yet this year (yes, probably towards the end of this year). Mr. Shay stated the grant money for these demolitions needs to be spent by 12/31/2022.

MOTIONS

Motion: to donate \$1,500.00 to the CHS prom committee, **Action:** Donate,
Moved by Council Member Steve Keegan, **Seconded by** Mayor Brent Stanley.

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

Yes: Council Member Scott Black, Council Member Steve Keegan, Council Member Doug McCauley, Mayor Brent Stanley, Vice Mayor Chris Shay.

It was noted there was no Prom the past couple years; prior to that, the City did donate in the amount of \$1,250.

Motion: to enter into an executive session for the sole purpose to consider the appointment, employment, dismissal, discipline, promotion, demotion, or compensation of a public employee, and the purchase or sale of property **Action:** Enter,

Moved by Mayor Brent Stanley, **Seconded by** Council Member Steve Keegan.

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

Yes: Council Member Steve Keegan, Council Member Doug McCauley, Mayor Brent Stanley, Vice Mayor Chris Shay, Council Member Scott Black.

No further business will be addressed following the adjournment of the executive session.

ADJOURNMENT

Motion: to adjourn the Executive Session at 8:25 p.m., **Action:** Adjourn,

Moved by Mayor Brent Stanley, **Seconded by** Council Member Steve Keegan.

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

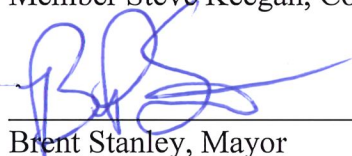
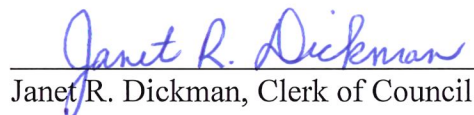
Yes: Council Member Doug McCauley, Mayor Brent Stanley, Vice Mayor Chris Shay, Council Member Scott Black, Council Member Steve Keegan.

Motion: to adjourn the regular meeting at 8:26 p.m., **Action:** Adjourn,

Moved by Mayor Brent Stanley, **Seconded by** Council Member Doug McCauley.

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

Yes: Mayor Brent Stanley, Vice Mayor Chris Shay, Council Member Scott Black, Council Member Steve Keegan, Council Member Doug McCauley.


Brent Stanley, Mayor
Janet R. Dickman, Clerk of Council

CITY OF CLYDE

COUNCIL MEETING

Date: Tuesday 3-1-2022 Regular session

Visitors – PLEASE SIGN IN:

1. Ben Brown
2. Beth Leach
3. Audrey Distel
4. Kris Mestard
5. Allie Michaels
6. JEFF GICMAR
7. Gene Paul
8. Melanie Allen
9. Gary Smith
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