

CLYDE CITY COUNCIL
Regular Session – May 3, 2022

Clyde City Council met at 7:00 p.m. on Tuesday, May 3, 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 Justin LaBenne (Not voting)
Clerk of Council Janet Dickman (Not voting)
Deputy Clerk Jackie Hoppe (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 April 19, 2022 regular session of council were distributed for review prior to this meeting. There were no corrections.

Motion: to approve the minutes of the April 19, 2022 regular session of council as written,

Action: Approve,

Moved by Council Member Steve Keegan, **Seconded by** Vice Mayor Chris Shay.

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.

The minutes of the April 26, 2022 work session of council were distributed for review prior to this meeting. There were no corrections.

Motion: to approve the minutes of the April 26, 2022 work session of council as written,

Action: Approve,

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.

DISCUSSION OF PENDING OLD BUSINESS

Mayor Stanley offered a reminder of the invitation for Council members to participate in the Memorial Day parade being organized by the Clyde VFW. A copy of the letter from the VFW, with a contact phone number added, was provided to each Council member.

Mr. Selvey referenced the recent work session to discuss stray/feral cats. He questioned if Council would like him to prepare legislation to try to regulate outdoor/unattended feeding of cats or if they would prefer to wait and decide if they also want to implement a Trap, Neuter, Release (TNR) program. Current zoning guidelines permit only three cats per residence. His opinion is that the regulating of outdoor/unattended feeding would be a good first step, as long as the legislation is written so that it can be enforced, with penalties if needed.

Council Member Black and Vice Mayor Shay agree with drafting some legislation so that we can start with something to address this issue.

Council Members Keegan and McCauley question how this would be enforced and feel we should wait, as we need more information on various options.

Mr. Selvey has done some reading on this issue and has found it is a nationwide problem. He will speak with Mr. LaBenne and Police Chief Campbell to discuss enforcement. If our current zoning guidelines are enforced, an offender could be fined and would need to explain their situation in court.

Council Member McCauley would also like to look at issues that obstruct enforcing the current zoning guidelines.

CORRESPONDENCE

Information was provided to Council Members from Ohio Municipal League regarding conferences series that are being offered this summer.

Visitors:

There were no visitors who requested to speak at this time.

FIRST READING ORDINANCES

There was none.

SECOND READING ORDINANCES

There was none.

RESOLUTIONS

2022-27 A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER TO ENTER INTO AN AGREEMENT WITH DMYTRYKA JACOBS ENGINEERS, INC. FOR THE REHAB AND UPGRADE OF THE DIGESTER BUILDING RTU CONTROL PANEL AT THE WASTEWATER DEPARMENT IN THE CITY OF CLYDE; APPROPRIATING FUNDS AND AUTHORIZING THE EXPENDITURE OF MONEYS THEREFOR.

Resolution No. **2022-27** was read in its entirety.

Mr. LaBenne stated this is part of the upgrades for the Waste Water Treatment Plant and deferred to Mr. Biggs for additional explanation.

Mr. Biggs explained this is the second RTU. This will be at the back end of the plant; the front half was finished last year. This unit will have a remote control. The original RTU from 1986 is obsolete. We want all upgrades to be able to tie into this system.

Council Member Keegan questioned if the control panel is housed inside the WWTP (yes).

Council Member McCauley questioned the life expectancy of this technology (possibly twenty years; this is a stand-alone isolated system).

Mayor Stanley questioned if this purchase was included in the budget (no; we were unable to get a quote in time for the budget hearings). Mayor Stanley questioned if this purchase will be a problem, financially (no).

Motion: to pass Resolution No. **2022-27**, **Action:** Pass,

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

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.

Mayor Stanley announced that Resolution No. **2022-27** passed.

ADMINISTRATIVE REPORT

Mr. LaBenne gave the following report:

- Mulberry Street Bridge – street is paved; need to adjust one manhole to grade, have to strip edge lines and center line yet, minimal dirt work remains. Street will open following stripping
- 2021 Paving Projects – grinding crew is planning on completion by Thursday; paving of Ames or Railroad is up next, with still about two weeks to complete, all is going well
- Finance Dept. parking lot is scheduled to begin paving the same week (May 9)
- Interviews for the Finance Director position start tomorrow. The plan is to make an offer by Monday the 9th. Five candidates will be interviewed; all are qualified, it will just be a case of finding the one who will be the best fit.
- New Community Park Swing has been set. The concrete has been poured and we are working to get the site ready for the vendor to come in and finish the installation, pour the rubber pad, and test everything for safety. No date is set, but hopefully in the next couple of weeks.

- I Attended the Ohio Economic Development Association's two-day course on Site Selection/ Site Development. This dealt with making our sites viable for the industries that are looking at us. I definitely feel like a lot of new information was presented and it drives the point home that we are on a path towards increasing capacity across all of our utilities. The WWT legislation we passed tonight for Wastewater is one of the first steps of many to get that facility updated and maxed out in what we can do.
- I stopped in to Bellefontaine, Ohio on my way back from OEDA and met with a company called Small-Nation that assists with downtown planning and investment. We are coordinating a reciprocal tour of Bellefontaine/Clyde with them, as they are an instrumental part of getting Bellefontaine's downtown overhauled and back on a path of success.
- I will be attending another two-day OEDA course on May 19th/20th in Columbus on Workforce Development which is part of a track towards becoming an Ohio Certified Economic Developer to develop a strategic plan next year.
- The Fiber to the Home project has begun. Equipment is being shipped to the CL&P building (the bunker we built twelve years ago and they will lease) and the company is planning on being online by the end of May. The fiber build-out will begin soon after that. A marketing push will follow to announce this project and get the details and pricing in front of people. By the end of 2022, Clyde, Ohio will be able to call itself a Gigabit City (Ultra-High-Speed-Internet). We are still working out the details of the agreement. This will be part of our economic sell for interested businesses to come to Clyde. We will work with them on pole attachment agreements. TV packages will also be available, therefore people will have a choice now with this and Spectrum.
- I participated in a tour of Whirlpool today; 2012 was my last tour of this facility and I was feeling nostalgic talking about manufacturing all day again. Fifteen years and one month ago, I worked on the factory floor before leaving to come to work for Clyde.

FINANCE DIRECTOR'S REPORT

Financial report for March 2022 was provided. When Mr. LaBenne conducts interviews for the Finance Director position, the candidate will be asked how he/she would address the poor income interest rates we have been seeing.

FIRE DEPARTMENT REPORT

Fire Chief Davis was on vacation. There is no report this evening.

COUNCIL REMARKS

Council Member Keegan is glad that the couple additional picnic tables he requested be taken to Cherry Street Park have been put in place, and he noticed a couple more benches have been added as well. This is considered to be a very nice park for Clyde. Mr. LaBenne is also looking at some shade options to add to the park.

Council Member Keegan was near the Clyde VFW recently when the siren was sounded, but Mr.

Keegan could barely hear the siren (this will be looked into).

Council Member McCauley reported the metal grates around trees in the downtown area need attention. Some are not level with the sidewalk and some have weeds and trash around them, which needs to be cleaned. He commended the driver of the street sweeper for maneuvering around cars that continue to be illegally parked on downtown streets. If there is a "no parking" sign posted, it should be enforced.

Council Member Black reminded Council Members that May 16 is the deadline to complete and submit papers to the Ohio Ethics Commission. If the deadline is missed, a fine will be imposed. The \$35 fee can be submitted to the City for reimbursement. This must be done every year and can be prepared online or mailed in.

Mayor Stanley questioned the status of the raw water line project (permits have expired; we are waiting for updated numbers/quotes, then the expired permits will be addressed). He is concerned if we are going to try to attract any new business/expansion, if we do not have the water capacity it would not matter if we have the sewer capacity. He would appreciate hearing additional information as it becomes available.

Mayor Stanley agrees that issues with vehicles and other zoning guidelines needs to be addressed. He has also had issues with vehicles, and addressing of all issues needs to be consistent.

Mayor Stanley offered thanks to Clyde Whirlpool for the three-hour tour for ClydeScope members and others. This was a good tour.

MOTIONS

Motion: to enter into an executive session at 7:44 p.m. to discuss the purchase or sale of property, **Action:** Enter Closed Session,

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 conducted following the adjournment of the executive session.

ADJOURNMENT

Motion: to adjourn the executive session at 8:43 p.m., **Action:** Adjourn,

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

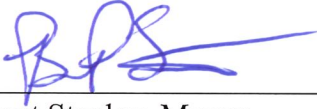
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Yes: Council Member Doug McCauley, Mayor Brent Stanley, Vice Mayor Chris Shay, Council Member Scott Black, Council Member Steve Keegan.

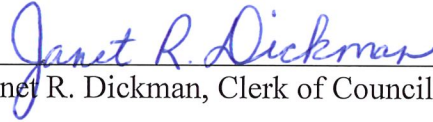
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Brent Stanley, Mayor



Janet R. Dickman, Clerk of Council

CITY OF CLYDE

COUNCIL MEETING

Date: Tuesday May 3, 2022 Regular Session

Visitors – PLEASE SIGN IN:

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