

CLYDE CITY COUNCIL
Regular Session – November 21, 2023

Clyde City Council met at 7:00 p.m. on Tuesday, November 21, 2023 in Council Chambers of the Municipal Building, 222 N. Main Street, Clyde, Ohio. Mayor Doug McCauley called the meeting to order.

Roll Call.

Present: Mayor Doug McCauley
Vice Mayor Scott Black
Council Member Steve Keegan
Council Member Chris Shay
Council Member Brent Stanley
City Manager Justin LaBenne (Not voting)
Clerk of Council Janet Dickman (Not voting)
Deputy Clerk Jackie Hoppe (Not voting)
Finance Director Frank Weasner (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 November 7, 2023 regular session of council were distributed for review prior to this meeting. There were no corrections.

Motion: to approve the minutes of the November 7, 2023 regular session of council as written,

Action: Approve,

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

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

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

DISCUSSION OF PENDING OLD BUSINESS

Mr. Stanley shared concerns that have been voiced to him from the Woodland Avenue project construction crew, regarding traffic continuing to drive down this street although it is clearly marked the road is closed. Mr. Stanley expressed concern with this safety issue (the Clyde Police Department patrols this area as much as possible and they have issued moving violation tickets to some individuals). Mr. Stanley suggested placing road closure barriers (this is not possible due to residents living on this street needing access to their property). Mr. Winke questioned if it is up to the construction company to have their staff stand near the road closure signs to ensure through traffic does not travel there (they did this is the beginning, unsure why they stopped doing this). Mr. LaBenne will speak to the construction crew about this.

CORRESPONDENCE

Three notes of thanks were received and shared:

- John Roberts Family – Joel Roberts father funeral
- Clyde-Green Springs Board of Education for a City donation received for FFA for the Fair
- Monroeville Railroad Model Train for their participation in the Winesburg Weekend

Visitors:

Joyce Jackson owns a property on Forest Street and is currently residing in a Merlin Avenue residence with her mother.

Ms. Jackson offered thanks for the work the City has done for downtown renovations.

Ms. Jackson had multiple questions regarding the recently renovated business front for the Board of Education (BOE):

- When the BOE applied for a ClydeScope grant (she noted that ClydeScope is now defunct), did the BOE explain what their renovation plans were?
- Did ClydeScope tell the BOE they must follow zoning guidelines?
- Did the BOE or their contractor apply for permits? If yes, were the permits approved?
- Why is the BOE being permitted to board up windows?
- Does the BOE occupy all three levels of the building, or only the first level?

Ms. Jackson offered her opinion regarding this matter:

- Fines should be imposed to ClydeScope, the BOE and their contractor for misdemeanor violations
- Anyone applying for a grant must be told of zoning regulations; if they violate zoning, they would be ineligible for future grants
- The City should have a list of contractors who will abide by our zoning codes
- The renovations look horrendous – the colors and the wording
- Anyone getting a grant should be encouraged to follow zoning codes
- This should be used as a teaching opportunity

Mr. Selvey, City solicitor, responded:

- There are no zoning codes related to color
- The lettering size and appropriateness has been brought up to the BOE and they will be given a chance to address this; the BOE will be treated the same as any other resident
- ClydeScope is a separate legal entity from the City
- Zoning code compliance applies only to the building/land owner; ClydeScope or the contractor would not be involved with zoning code compliance
- Mr. Selvey would advise against having a list of suggested contractors
- It is good for grants to be given to assist businesses
- Our Zoning Inspector is involved with zoning enforcement; our zoning enforcement has grown in the last five years; we should not apply different zoning enforcement just because a grant is involved
- The violation that the BOE needs to address is for the painted wall sign being over the size

limit

- We do not have a zoning code for boarded up windows
- The painting of the business front did not need a permit

Mr. Stanley noted many organizations, such as GLCAP for example, give grants and not all of them know our zoning codes.

FIRST READING ORDINANCES

There were none.

SECOND READING ORDINANCES

2023-85 AN ORDINANCE TO MAKE PERMANENT APPROPRIATIONS FOR CURRENT EXPENSES AND OTHER EXPENDITURES PURSUANT TO OHIO REVISED CODE SECTION 5705.38 FOR THE CITY OF CLYDE, STATE OF OHIO, DURING THE FISCAL YEAR 2024.

By poll of Council, Ordinance No. **2023-85** was read by title only for its second reading.

Mr. LaBenne or Mr. Weasner had no additional information.
Council had no comments or questions.

Motion: to adopt Ordinance No. **2023-85**, **Action:** Adopt,

Moved by Council Member Brent Stanley, **Seconded by** Council Member Chris Shay.

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

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

Mayor McCauley announced that Ordinance No. **2023-85** has been adopted.

RESOLUTIONS

2023-88 A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTION OF THE 2023 OMEGA POWER POOL PARTICIPANT SCHEDULE WITH AMERICAN MUNICIPAL POWER, INC. ("AMP")

Resolution No. **2023-88** was read in its entirety.

Mr. Stanley inquired if there was a change in the power prices (no price change; only an updated contract with updated language; John Courtney will prepare a letter that will be forwarded to Council).

Motion: to pass Resolution No. **2023-88**, **Action:** Pass,

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

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

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

Mayor McCauley announced that Resolution No. **2023-88** passed.

ADMINISTRATIVE REPORT

Mr. LaBenne gave the following report:

- We are getting estimates for clearing a path from Community Park to the reservoir, as this has been talked about since the late 1980's; working with Mr. Fiser to apply for grants from the State
- Received an updated quote for the ball field lights at Community Park; the results are that we will be able to get better lights for our previously budgeted price; order will be placed this week
- Designing Local visited last week, they took a tour of the town and some buildings; they will start sharing their feedback and some renderings
- Winesburg Weekend went well
- Worked with Bill Brown to wrap up the Complete Streets committee; a work session will be requested for next week so the Health Department and others can present the findings and the policy; goal is to adopt the policy with an Ordinance

FINANCE DIRECTOR'S REPORT

Mr. Weasner reported the following:

- Reviewed October financials, which are in good shape
 - Water fund is increased
 - Sewer fund is slightly decreased
 - Electric fund is in good shape
 - Income Tax Collections are increased for the month, decreased for YTD
- Extended a Happy Thanksgiving to all

COUNCIL REMARKS

Mr. Keegan feels the Dollar General Market sign looks nice, and does not look that big.

Mr. Keegan commented on the property near the water plant where the house was demolished, noting that the tree has been cleaned up and it looks nice.

Mr. Keegan has heard positive comments regarding the Christmas Parade which was well attended.

Mr. Stanley feels the Christmas Parade was excellent, with increased attendance. Everyone seemed to have a good time at the fireworks, following the parade. He extended kudos to Administration and all who helped with Wineburg Weekend for a good job.

Mr. Black offered compliments and thanks to the Wineburg Weekend committee.

Mr. Shay has also heard positive comments regarding the Christmas Parade.

Mr. Shay inquired about the future Church Street project; he requested confirmation that Church Street residents will have access to their properties (yes).

Mr. Shay inquired if the Wott property on Cherry Street will be remediated yet this year (yes).

Mr. Shay was initially opposed to the proposed Dollar General Market sign, but he now feels it looks appropriate for that location.

Mr. Shay commended the Christmas decorations downtown.

Mayor McCauley offered multiple thanks for the success of Wineburg Weekend: to Ms. Hoppe and Mr. LaBenne for the planning, to Bill Brown and Harvest Baptist Temple for being welcoming to participants who were lining up for the parade, and for their organization of the parade, to the City crews for the set up and clean up. Community members were very complimentary of the events and the weekend had a positive vibe.

Mayor McCauley offered a Happy Thanksgiving, noting we have much to be thankful for.

A work session is scheduled for next Tuesday, November 27, 2023 at 6:00 p.m. in the Conference Room to discuss the Complete Streets policy.

MOTIONS

There were none.

ADJOURNMENT

Motion: to adjourn the meeting at 7:51 p.m., **Action:** Adjourn,

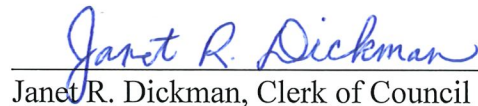
Moved by Mayor Doug McCauley, **Seconded by** Council Member Brent Stanley.

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

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



Doug McCauley, Mayor



Janet R. Dickman, Clerk of Council

CITY OF CLYDE

COUNCIL MEETING

Date: Tuesday November 21, 2023 Regular Session

Visitors – PLEASE SIGN IN:

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2. Gary Smith
3. Terri Meek
4. Joyce Jackson
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