

CLYDE CITY COUNCIL
Regular Session – July 2, 2024

Clyde City Council met at 7:00 p.m. on Tuesday, July 2, 2024 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 Greg McMaster
Council Member Terri Meek
Council Member Chris Shay
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 June 18, 2024 regular session of council were distributed for review prior to this meeting. There were no corrections.

Motion: to approve the minutes of the June 18, 2024 regular session of council as written,

Action: Approve,

Moved by Council Member Greg McMaster, **Seconded by** Council Member Chris Shay.

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

Yes: Mayor Doug McCauley, Council Member Chris Shay, Vice Mayor Scott Black, Council Member Greg McMaster, Council Member Terri Meek.

DISCUSSION OF PENDING OLD BUSINESS

There was none.

CORRESPONDENCE

There was none.

Visitors:

Diana Wax, a resident of 253 Vine Street, is here to address Council concerning her property that has been identified as a nuisance property. She shared some documents and outlined her attempts to obtain assistance/services to clean up her property. She discussed her current health challenges and other obstacles she feels have added to her property becoming a nuisance. Her

friend, Mike Butler, stated he knows Chris Shay and offered her his assistance. She stated she made several attempts to speak to someone at the City Building to discuss this situation, but was unable to make contact. She owns one acre; she did have some assistance last year with maintaining the yard but those people have not assisted this year. She has spoken to Frank Weasner; they discussed that she has a hard time paying her current utility bills, and anything additional added for nuisance clean up would be a hardship for her.

Mayor McCauley requested clarification if Ms. Wax has received an official notice of nuisance (yes).

Mr. Selvey asked Ms. Wax if she would agree that her property is of concern (yes). He confirmed that the City has only mowed the grass/weeds (yes). He clarified that she is requesting to not be billed for recent clean up services provided through the City (correct).

Mr. Winke stated the Clyde Police Department personally delivered the official notice of nuisance to Ms. Wax's address; however, they could not obtain passage to get on the front porch to get to the front door of the residence, so they left the notice on the back door. Ms. Wax states she rarely uses the back door and therefore did not see the notice until it was too late. Per Ms. Wax's request, Mr. Selvey noted any future correspondence will be posted to the front door as she has stated this is her point of entrance.

Mr. Weasner clarified that a final bill for the clean up services has not been received. When he spoke to Ms. Wax he stated they could work out a payment plan.

Ms. Wax feels she has addressed clean up issues in the past. She has worked with Mr. Winke on these issues in the past. She suggests that an additional \$1 be added to all City residents utility bills on a regular basis and those funds should be used to help in situations such as hers.

Ms. Meek abstained from any comment.

Mr. Shay is sorry this has happened. He clarified that he does not know Mike Butler, as Mr. Butler told Ms. Wax. He will defer any other comments to the City legal opinion.

Mr. LaBenne questioned Ms. Wax how often she stays at this home (not often). He questioned her future plans for this property (to sell it).

Mayor McCauley requested confirmation that Ms. Wax is the owner of the home (yes). He noted it is the owner's responsibility to maintain the property.

Copies of her documents were made to show the efforts she has made to make arrangements for clean up.

FIRST READING ORDINANCES

There were none.

SECOND READING ORDINANCES

2024-53 AN ORDINANCE CREATING CHAPTER 1151, "FENCES AND SCREENING" OF THE CODIFIED ORDINANCES OF THE CITY OF CLYDE, OHIO

Ordinance No. **2024-53** was read in its entirety.

Administration and/or Council had no comments and/or questions.

Motion: to adopt Ordinance No. **2024-53**, **Action:** Adopt,

Moved by Council Member Chris Shay, **Seconded by** Mayor Doug McCauley.

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

Yes: Council Member Chris Shay, Vice Mayor Scott Black, Council Member Greg McMaster, Council Member Terri Meek, Mayor Doug McCauley.

Mayor McCauley announced that Ordinance No. **2024-53** was adopted.

2024-54 AN ORDINANCE CREATING CHAPTER 1152, "ACCESSORY STRUCTURES" OF THE CODIFIED ORDINANCES OF THE CITY OF CLYDE, OHIO.

Ordinance No. **2024-54** was read in its entirety.

Administration and/or Council had no comments and/or questions.

Motion: to adopt Ordinance No. **2024-54**, **Action:** Adopt,

Moved by Council Member Terri Meek, **Seconded by** Council Member Chris Shay.

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

Yes: Vice Mayor Scott Black, Council Member Greg McMaster, Council Member Terri Meek, Mayor Doug McCauley, Council Member Chris Shay.

Mayor McCauley announced that Ordinance No. **2024-54** has been adopted.

RESOLUTIONS

2024-55 A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE PAYMENT OF FUNDS TO THE CLYDE DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY FOR CONTINUED RENOVATION WORK ON 102 SOUTH MAIN ST.

Resolution No. **2024-55** was read in its entirety.

Mr. McMaster questioned where does this land us on finishing up the commercial work (this gets us all the way there and up through the base work of running the plumbing, HVAC, etc. up into the residential units as well; this is geared to get the commercial units ready to go and operational so we can get them ready).

Ms. Meek reiterated the same question, asking what will be included (we still have to demo the other side now that the other tenant is out; after the demo work, we hope the one side can be finished so that can get rolling while work is still being done on the other side. We hope to have someone in there by the end of this year).

Mr. Shay requested clarification of the demo work (we still have ceiling on that side since there was still a tenant in there). He requested further confirmation that the demo work is for functional purposes, not aesthetics (yes, it will get everything up to code, including brick work and everything that was done on the other side). Mr. Shay noted when the tenant was still there it was less than optimal conditions (correct, it is still the original from when we bought the building).

Mayor McCauley questioned Mr. Weasner if part of the \$199,000 is coming from ClydeScope (it was the ClydeScope funds that were dispersed to the City upon ClydeScope dissolving; so it is a portion of that along with some of the \$100,000 from the City that was put towards economic development at the first of the year; it is a combination, but it is all money from that line).

Motion: to pass Resolution No. **2024-55**, **Action:** Pass,

Moved by Council Member Chris Shay, **Seconded by** Mayor Doug McCauley.

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

Yes: Council Member Greg McMaster, Council Member Terri Meek, Mayor Doug McCauley, Council Member Chris Shay, Vice Mayor Scott Black.

Mayor McCauley announced that Resolution No. **2024-55** passed.

2024-56 A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER TO ENTER INTO AN AGREEMENT WITH MOTOROLA SOLUTIONS FOR THE MIGRATION AND CONVERSION OF RMS DATA.

Resolution No. **2024-56** was read in its entirety.

Mr. LaBenne stated this will convert old data to migrate into the new system, so we will not have to run a dual system. Chief Campbell does have funds in his Police Department budget to support this project.

Motion: to pass Resolution No. **2024-56**, **Action:** Pass,

Moved by Council Member Greg McMaster, **Seconded by** Council Member Chris Shay.

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

Yes: Council Member Terri Meek, Mayor Doug McCauley, Council Member Chris Shay, Vice Mayor Scott Black, Council Member Greg McMaster.

Mayor McCauley announced that Resolution No. **2024-56** passed.

2024-57 A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER TO APPLY FOR PARTICIPATION IN THE OHIO DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION'S WINTER-USE SALT CONTRACT.

Resolution No. **2024-57** was read in its entirety.

Mr. LaBenne explained this is a formality to clean up this issue. The application to participate was actually due in May, but the department superintendent cannot find the email that comes once a year saying it was due. The City did not use much salt last year.

Motion: to pass Resolution No. **2024-57**, **Action:** Pass,

Moved by Council Member Terri Meek, **Seconded by** Vice Mayor Scott Black.

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

Yes: Mayor Doug McCauley, Council Member Chris Shay, Vice Mayor Scott Black, Council Member Greg McMaster, Council Member Terri Meek.

Mayor McCauley announced that Resolution No. **2024-57** passed.

2024-58 A RESOLUTION APPOINTING MIKE AHTEN TO THE CITY OF CLYDE PLANNING COMMISSION.

Resolution No. **2024-58** was read in its entirety.

Mr. LaBenne is glad to have Mr. Ahten added to this commission, by the looks of his resume.

Mr. McMaster agrees that his resume looks good, and he should have good contributions for this commission.

Mr. Shay appreciates all volunteers. He noted the Planning Commission will be busy with updating the codes, which is an important topic.

Mr. Black agreed his resume looks professional. He hopes with help from Mr. Ahten we can keep the code revisions going.

Mayor McCauley offered his thanks as he also appreciates volunteers and noted Mr. Ahten's engineering background will be helpful.

Motion: to pass Resolution No. **2024-58**, **Action:** Pass,

Moved by Council Member Chris Shay, **Seconded by** Mayor Doug McCauley.

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

Yes: Council Member Chris Shay, Vice Mayor Scott Black, Council Member Greg McMaster, Council Member Terri Meek, Mayor Doug McCauley.

Mayor McCauley announced that Resolution No. **2024-58** passed.

ADMINISTRATIVE REPORT

Mr. LaBenne gave the following report:

- Fourth of July celebration, including food trucks, a band, etc., is scheduled for Friday, July 5th. Rain is in the forecast; last year the fireworks started early due to rain and residents should be mindful of this possibility again this year.
- General Services is finishing the new concrete for sidewalks by the City Building and the driveway to the fire department. They are doing a great job.
- Received approval of \$175,000 from Ohio Public Works for the 2024 paving program.
- There is currently no timeline for the \$50,000 from the State budget for the path from Community Park to the Reservoir.
- Woodland Avenue sanitary sewer project is mostly completed, with a few punch list items to address.
- Church Street project is also mostly completed, with a few punch list items to address.
- Code enforcement letters continue to be sent as needed; the property at 528 Brown Street was demolished, with large amounts of garbage also hauled away. The only cost for this demolition was for our City crew and the dumpsters for the garbage.
- Issues related to homelessness should be discussed at a future work session; there is a current issue for a local resident since the Brown Street home has come down.
- Pickle ball courts are doing well; a complaint has been received regarding dogs at the park around the courts

FINANCE DIRECTOR'S REPORT

Mr. Weasner reported the following:

- Staff continue to make progress with monthly tasks
- The Finance Department will return to full staff on July 15th; Mr. Weasner will begin vacation this Friday for a week
- All is going well

COUNCIL REMARKS

Mr. McMaster noted the pickle ball nets have been received and the courts look good. He questioned if lights can be added to this area (possibly in next year's budget).

Ms. Meek also commented on the pickle ball courts, noting that she has received comments of skateboarders using the courts and possibly damaging them. She questioned if cameras can be added to this area.

Mr. Shay offered compliments for the concrete work around the City Building and the work done on the Church Street project. Regarding the future discussions around homelessness, he hopes decisions will be made to address this issue in a humane way.

Mr. Black acknowledged this year is half gone already, being that we are in July now. He wishes everyone a safe and happy fourth of July. He offered that it is legal for residents to set off fireworks. Mr. LaBenne noted the ORC requires this to be done before 11:00 p.m. Mr. Selvey

added that fireworks cannot be set off within city limits, as the lots do not meet the size requirement.

Mayor McCauley offered kudos to Mr. Garcia and Mr. Mason in the Rec Department for their planning and preparing for July 4th activities.

Mayor McCauley attended the Juneteenth presentation at McPherson Cemetery. It was well attended in spite of the extremely warm temperature and was a nice presentation where they unveiled a grave marker for a freed slave. Clyde history can be found in that cemetery, and he commended Mr. Black for being a good and knowledgeable tour guide.

Mayor McCauley has been enjoying playing on the pickle ball courts. He suggests having a pickle ball tournament there, to show off how nice the courts are.

Mayor McCauley stands firm on the parking citations. There have been too many junk cars and other parked cars in front yards. There have been complaints about the citations but there have also been comments of thanks for the citations. It is the Council and the City responsibility to take care of our community and the needs of the community, and we will continue to do so.

MOTIONS

Motion: to enter into an executive session at 7:47 p.m. for the purpose to consider the appointment, employment, dismissal, discipline, promotion, demotion, or compensation of a public employee and to consider the purchase or sale of real estate, **Action:** Enter Closed Session,

Moved by Mayor Doug McCauley, **Seconded by** Council Member Chris Shay.

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

Yes: Vice Mayor Scott Black, Council Member Greg McMaster, Council Member Terri Meek, Mayor Doug McCauley, Council Member Chris Shay.

Mayor McCauley stated no further action will be taken following the Executive Session.

Motion: to adjourn the executive session at 8:38 p.m., **Action:** Adjourn,

Moved by Council Member Terri Meek, **Seconded by** Council Member Chris Shay.

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

Yes: Council Member Greg McMaster, Council Member Terri Meek, Mayor Doug McCauley, Council Member Chris Shay, Vice Mayor Scott Black.

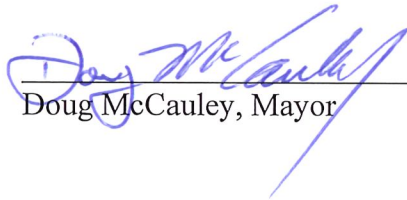
ADJOURNMENT

Motion: to adjourn the meeting at 8:39 p.m., **Action:** Adjourn,

Moved by Council Member Chris Shay, **Seconded by** Council Member Greg McMaster.

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

Yes: Council Member Terri Meek, Mayor Doug McCauley, Council Member Chris Shay, Vice Mayor Scott Black, Council Member Greg McMaster.



Doug McCauley, Mayor



Janet R. Dickman, Clerk of Council

CITY OF CLYDE

COUNCIL MEETING

Date: Tuesday, July 2, 2024 Regular Session

Visitors – PLEASE SIGN IN:

1. Diana Babcock Wax
2. Steve Stull
3. Ben Brown
4. Gary Smith
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