

CLYDE CITY COUNCIL
Regular Session – April 15, 2025

Clyde City Council met at 7:15 p.m. on Tuesday, April 15, 2025, 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)

Absent/

Excused:

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 1, 2025, public hearing and regular session of council were distributed for review prior to this meeting. There were no corrections.

Motion: to approve the minutes of the April 1, 2025, public hearing and regular session of council as written, **Action:** Approve,

Moved by Vice Mayor Scott Black, **Seconded by** Council Member Greg McMaster.

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:

Clyde Public Library - Angela Herrera and Rachel Henck-Bentley are seeking a donation for their summer reading program. The program is intended to bridge the gap between school ending and school beginning again. They had good attendance in 2024, with those numbers being higher than the attendance ten years ago. Ms. Herrera reviewed the types of events and the successes of their previous summer program. They offered a kickoff event to the start of the program. Last year, they received \$1,000.00 from the City of Clyde. Ms. Henck-Bentley spoke and gave highlights of their program.

Mayor McCauley supports keeping kids engaged as reading is crucial.

Council members offered thanks for all the library services, noting Clyde is fortunate to have such a nice library.

Mayor McCauley welcomed other visitors present to speak, noting how important it is to have their voices be heard.

Eric Rich, a York Township resident, would like to raise awareness of One Energy's request to have access to the bike path for their power lines. He would like this access to be denied.

Mayor McCauley stated Council was informed of a proposal a year ago for a wind turbine to Whirlpool and they have not heard anything else since. They are only aware of the concept, but there will be no Council decision in regards to it. It was questioned if Clyde owns the easement to the bike trail (yes, within the city limits). Mayor McCauley is unaware of a timeframe for a decision to be made.

Mr. Rich is against wind farms, and he would like to raise awareness. He thanked Council for allowing him to speak, expressing compliments to Council for reciting the Lord's prayer and pledge of allegiance at the start of our meeting.

FIRST READING ORDINANCES

2025-32 AN ORDINANCE AMENDING ORDINANCE NO. 2024-80, MAKING 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 2025, AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

Ordinance No. **2025-32** was read in its entirety.

Mayor McCauley announced that this ordinance contained an emergency clause.

Motion: to suspend the rule preventing passage of an ordinance at a meeting at which it is first introduced, which is section 4-5 of the Charter, **Action:** Suspend rule,

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

Mr. Weasner explained the need for this Ordinance is related to oversights when entering the budget, including omission of the bed tax and some incorrect budget amounts listed. In summary, \$1,138,000 was removed from the General Service lines, \$105,000 was added to the general account for a net total of \$103,300. Mr. Weasner assumes full responsibility.

By poll of Council, Ordinance No. **2025-32** was read by title only for its second reading.

Motion: to adopt Ordinance No. **2025-32**, **Action:** Adopt,

Moved by Vice Mayor Scott Black, **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. **2025-32** has been adopted.

SECOND READING ORDINANCES

2025-29 AN ORDINANCE REDESIGNATING THE HEREINAFTER-DESCRIBED REAL ESTATE IN THE CITY OF CLYDE, OHIO, PART OF IL 1756, PARCEL NO. 325000175602 TOTALING APPROXIMATELY 0.745 ACRES IN THE CITY OF CLYDE AT 819 N MAIN ST. FROM (R-1A) SINGLE-FAMILY RESIDENTIAL TO (C-2) GENERAL COMMERCIAL.

By poll of Council, Ordinance No. **2025-29** was read by title only for its second reading.

Mr. LaBenne had no additional information.

Council had no comments or questions.

Motion: to adopt Ordinance No. **2025-29**, **Action:** Adopt,

Moved by Council Member Terri Meek, **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 Ordinance No. **2025-29** has been adopted.

RESOLUTIONS

2025-33 A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER TO APPLY FOR PARTICIPATION IN THE OHIO DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION'S WINTER-USE SALT CONTRACT.

Resolution No. **2025-33** was read in its entirety.

Mr. LaBenne stated Mr. Hamilton wants to ensure we receive needed salt this year, for next winter.

Motion: to pass Resolution No. **2025-33**, **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: 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. **2025-33** passed.

ADMINISTRATIVE REPORT

Mr. LaBenne gave the following report:

- Special Session set for April 29 at 7 p.m. for a presentation by Green Springs Mayor to hold discussion on their water/sewer agreement.
- Adam Greenslade assisted with submission of a \$50,000 grant request from the State for a nature bike trail.
- Mr. Fiser and Mr. LaBenne submitted an application to ODOT for bike trail crossing upgrade; \$1 mil; 2026-2027 timeframe; we should receive a response by June.
- Mr. Fiser and Mr. LaBenne visited a Riley township property that is within our fire district and is of concern; there are two acres of abandoned rubber from a farm; clean-up is projected at \$1 mil.

FINANCE DIRECTOR REPORT

Mr. Weasner reported the following:

- Tax deadline is today; extended compliments to his office staff Amy, Maria, and Terri for all going smooth
- Continuing to submit items for GAP audit.
- State auditors are due to arrive the end of June beginning of July for our annual audit.

COUNCIL REMARKS

There will be a ribbon cutting at the old Eliza Ramsey home on Thursday 4/24 at 9:00 a.m. for a new business at that location.

Members agreed to cancel the April 22, 2025, work session.

A special session is scheduled for April 29, 2025, to discuss the Village of Green Springs water and sewer agreement.

Mr. McMaster offered thanks to the Clyde Fire Department, Clyde Police Department and the State Highway Patrol for their response to downed lines and assistance to his son, whose car was totaled during a recent weather event of a tornado across Route 20.

Mayor McCauley voiced frustration, with the Garza property at the root of some of his frustrations. It has been two months since Council voted against rezoning, but it has been business as usual and the piles continue to grow. Fire concerns for this property remain. Mr. LaBenne has spent the past three years updating the City codes. We need to work on the issue of enforcement. The Garza property was not rezoned, therefore, it is currently operating illegally. Code enforcement is not part of the City Manager's position. We would like to improve the city appearance, but how do we address junk cars, RV's, and other situations. He is not asking for answers this evening, but this needs to be discussed further. He sees his responsibility as a Council Member beyond just saying yes/no, every couple of weeks.

MOTIONS

Motion: to donate \$1,000 to Clyde Public Library for the Summer Reading Program,

Action: Donate,

Moved by Council Member Greg McMaster, **Seconded by** Mayor Doug McCauley.

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.

Motion: to enter into an executive session at 7:52 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:** 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: Mayor Doug McCauley, Council Member Chris Shay, Council Member Greg McMaster, Council Member Terri Meek, Vice Mayor Scott Black.

Motion: to adjourn the Executive Session at 8:53 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.

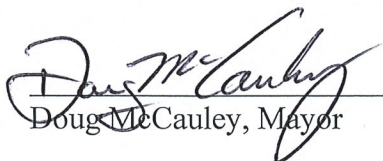
ADJOURNMENT

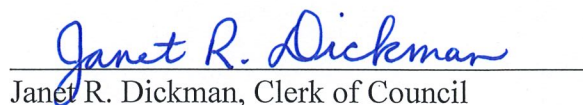
Motion: to adjourn the meeting at 8:54 p.m. **Action:** Adjourn,

Moved by Council Member Terri Meek, **Seconded by** Council Member Greg McMaster.

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.


Doug McCauley, Mayor


Janet R. Dickman, Clerk of Council

CITY OF CLYDE

COUNCIL MEETING

Date: Tuesday, April 15, 2025

Regular Session

Visitors – PLEASE SIGN IN:

1. Murphy
2. Dan Asbury
3. Anthony Artino
4. Gary Smith
5. Ben Brown
6. Ben White
7. Joe & Jorda Lesner
8. Gene T. Paul
9. Angela Herrera
10. Rachel Hencel Bentley
11. Erin Riel
12. Mr. Moynihan
13. Dan Lutz
14. _____
15. _____