

June 25, 2024

**PORT CLINTON CITY COUNCIL MINUTES  
REGULAR MEETING**

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The regular meeting of the Port Clinton City Council held in the Linda Hartlaub City Hall Chambers. Lisa Sarty, President of Council, presided and the meeting opened at 6:00 p.m.

The roll was called and the following Council members were present: Beth Gillman, Pat Hovis, Richard Morgan, Cathy King, Jerry Tarolli, Kelly Gangle, and Margaret Phillips.

Ms. Phillips moved to approve regular meeting minutes for June 11, 2024, seconded by Mr. Tarolli. All agreed.

The chair notes certification had been received regarding the compliance with the rules and notification of this meeting.

**GUEST PRESENTATION**

None

**PUBLIC COMMENT**

*Paul Moon – 1119 Lee Avenue*

Mr. Moon advised his concern regarding the property just west of Lakeview Cemetery, behind the mausoleum. The property has become a “horrible noxious junkyard”. It keeps getting larger (old vehicles, lawn mowers, etc.); now putting up a new fence. How can we tolerate something like this in the City of Port Clinton?

*Tracy Behrman – 226 Fulton Street*

Mr. Behrman was present on March 12, 2024, Council meeting to ask the City to enforce its ordinances on the two properties across the street that is causing blight on the two hundred block of Fulton Street. He has not received any updates and would like to know the status.

In April 2024, Mr. Behrman spoke to Interim Fire Chief Brain Gutman. Mr. Gutman advised he would inspect them. Mr. Gutman advised Mr. Behrman that the building on the corner of Third and Fulton Street (southeast corner) was a fire hazard and that there is a tenant living on the top floor.

Mrs. Gangle wanted to clarify that City Council appreciates everyone’s concerns. However, Council’s role is not to enforce ordinance.

Mrs. Sarty advised that Administration and the Police Department are who enforce ordinances.

Ms. Shenker advised that the City does not currently have a Property Maintenance Officer. That is the position that would oversee and enforce property codes. There has been discussion of current employees taken on the Property Maintenance officer duties.

Ms. Shenker advised that our codified ordinances on our fire code needs updated prior to the City being able to enforce a fire hazard concern. Ms. Shenker is working on getting this completed in the near future.

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Mrs. Sarty advised Mr. Colston is out of the office until after July 4<sup>th</sup>, recommends contacting him to discuss further.

*Meg Blackburn – 908 E. Perry Street*

Ms. Blackburn requested an update on the wetlands across from her property. Was not aware that Mr. Colston was out of the office.

Ms. Shenker recommended calling Mr. Colston upon his return after July 4<sup>th</sup>.

## **PRESIDENT OF COUNCIL**

Reminder to Council members to complete Public Records Training.

Have a happy and safe 4<sup>th</sup> of July.

## **MAYOR'S REPORT**

Forward Looking Infrastructure Project (FLIP): 1,902 day ago was the first meeting to discuss FLIP. Today two of the nine projects have gone for bid:

- Plan A (above ground), Phase 1 - Erie Black Top was awarded the bid. Today grading of Adams Street in the first and second block began.
- Lakeshore Drive, Enhanced Cross Walk

Special thanks to everyone involved.

Today was Fish Ohio; Governor DeWine and others were here for the event. Lucas Johnson attended on the behalf of City of Port Clinton.

4<sup>th</sup> of July Fireworks has received donated funds of \$6,270.00. There is a donor that has come forward that will commit to the balance needed (\$2,916.50). Fireworks will take place on Thursday, July 4<sup>th</sup> at 10:00 pm at Waterworks Park.

J1 Students (college age, foreign exchange students) – By the end of June there will be approximately 550 J1 Students in ours and surrounding communities (60% on the islands and 40% on the mainland). Please welcome them and strike up a conversation with them. Working on putting together a community support group for these students. This has been implanted in other states and it works well. Monday July 29, 2024, 5:00 – 9:00 pm, at The District, there will be a “Welcome Event” for the J1 students.

## **AUDITOR'S REPORT**

Nothing to present

## **TREASURER'S REPORT**

Not present

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**LAW DIRECTOR REPORT**

Nothing to present

**SAFETY SERVICE REPORT**

Not present

**ECONOMIC COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT COORDINATOR**

Nothing to present

**POLICE CHIEF** Not present

**FIRE CHIEF** Not present

**COMMITTEE REPORTS**

***Finance Committee***

**Ms. Hovis**

Nothing to present

***Environment and Public Works Committee***

**Mr. Tarolli**

Nothing to present

***Safety Services Committee***

**Ms. Phillips**

Nothing to present

***Economic and Community Development Committee***

**Mrs. Gillman**

A committee meeting will follow this meeting.

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**CORRESPONDENCE**

Planning Commission, May 23, 2024, meeting minutes

Ms. Phillips moved to approve the correspondence as submitted; seconded by Mr. Tarolli. All agreed.

**THIRD READING OF ORDINANCES AND RESOLUTIONS**

None

**SECOND READING OF ORDINANCES AND RESOLUTIONS**

None

**FIRST READING OF ORDINANCES AND RESOLUTIONS**

None

**BUSINESS FROM THE FLOOR**

**Mr. Morgan** – Nothing to present

**Ms. Gangle** – Have a nice holiday.

**Ms. Phillips** – Nice to see the roads happen.

**Ms. Hovis** – Safe happy 4<sup>th</sup> of July.

**Mr. Tarolli** – Have a great holiday. Congratulations Mayor Snider.

**Mrs. King** – Congratulations to all involved.

**Mrs. Gillman** – Recently had the opportunity to attend a ribbon cutting for Polly’s Place (transitional house for women and children). The need is so great, there is such a shortage in Ottawa County.

Harley’s House ribbon cutting will take place on Thursday, June 27, 2024 at 3:00 pm.

**ANNOUNCEMENTS** None

**ADJOURNMENT**

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With no further business to discuss Ms. Phillips moved to adjourn; seconded by Mrs. King. With all those in favor, the meeting was adjourned at 6:51 p.m.

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Sandra Ostheimer  
Clerk of Council

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Lisa Sarty  
President of Council

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