

October 22, 2024

**PORT CLINTON CITY COUNCIL MINUTES
REGULAR MEETING**

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: Pat Hovis, Richard Morgan, Jerry Tarolli, Margaret Phillips. Beth Gillman, Cathy King and Avery Robinson.

Ms. Phillips moved to approve regular meeting minutes for September 10, 2024, and October 8, 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

Jeremy Hinte, Ohm Advisors
Port Clinton Recreation Amenities Plan

Attached is the presentation handout.

View Council meeting with Mr. Hinte's presentation at:
https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=d5uq_Lb84dQ

Mr. Below advised that Resolution 24-10 is requesting that Council consider adopting and endorsing the plan that Mr. Hinte presented earlier. The resolution will be a guide for park improvements throughout the City.

PUBLIC COMMENT

None

PRESIDENT OF COUNCIL

Under first reading this evening is:

- Resolution 24-10
 - Can go all three readings
 - Will not be assigned to a committee

Council members please advise Mrs. Ostheimer if you are attending the Port Clinton Area Chamber of Commerce Gala event on November 20, 2024, by October 31, 2024. You are welcome to bring a guest, however, you will need to contact The Chamber of Commerce with that reservation and pay them directly for your guest.

Prior to this evenings Council meeting Avery Robinson was sworn in as the new Ward 4 Councilman.

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MAYOR'S REPORT

Thank you Mr. Hinte for you and your organization for all the time and energy put into this presentation. This is a true reflection of what the community wants; we will do what we can to make it happen.

Welcome Mr. Robinson to Council.

Yesterday, Mayor Snider attended a ground breaking ceremony at Camp Perry for a new Readiness Center (Armory). This new facility will have twenty new fulltime employees and an excess of three hundred individuals training monthly. This is a great economic stimulus to our community.

FLIP (Infrastructure Plan) update: Plan B (below ground) the paperwork and process is on track for the bidding schedule. Plan A (above ground), phase 1 (currently being completed); Mother Nature has been good to us and allowed work to be completed. The general condition of most of the streets have been good. However, Lee Street was in worst shape than anticipated. The City has a \$500,000 contingency plan funds for unknowns. Lee Street will take \$200,000 of those funds to make the street whole again.

Barry's Bagel building in Portage Township has donated their structure to the Port Clinton and Catawba Fire Department for training purposes. Training will continue for the next couple of weeks. The building will eventually come down.

The Port Clinton Fire Department recently signed an agreement with Danbury Township to participate in Auto Aide. When either department has a structure fire the other department will be on scene to assist automatically.

Saturday, November 9, 2024, the Port Clinton Fire Department will have their annual Feather Party at the Port Clinton Fire Department; doors will open at 6:00 pm, first spin 6:30 pm. This is a free family friendly event.

The balance of this week the parking lot in front of City Hall will be blocked off to be sealed; please park in front of Ottawa County Municipal Court. This is completely separate from the infrastructure project

Public restrooms – Portage Park is open year around, Water Works Park will be open until further notice, and Lakeview Park facilities is closed for the season.

Brush pick up is complete for the year. The start date for leaf pickup is yet to be determined. Please note to place your leaves in boulevard not the street.

Thank you to the Service Department, Republic Services, and the citizens for another successful city wide pickup.

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Port Clinton Kiwanis Club is having their annual Evening at the Races on Friday, November 1, 2024, at the Elks Club; doors open at 6:00 pm, 21 years or older event.

Trick or Treat in the next week:

- Downtown Trick or Treat, Saturday, October 26, 2024, 1:00 – 3:00 pm
- Spooctacular Trunk or Treat, Wednesday, October 26, 2024, 6:00 – 7:00 pm, Port Clinton High School
- City of Port Clinton Trick or Treat, October 31, 2024, 6:00 – 8:00 pm

Mr. Tarolli advised leaf pickup may start earlier due to the drought; trees are stressed.

Mr. Tarolli inquired if East End Park (next to PC Police Department) was consider for a dog park?

Mr. Below advised that access and parking is not as available as it is next to the Fire Station.

AUDITOR'S REPORT

Mr. Below advised that the Mayor and Safety Service Director have had preliminary discussion on the proposed 2025 budget. An ordinance will be presented to Council in November to consider.

TREASURER'S REPORT

Bed Tax as of October 18, 2024: \$333,479.33

Watercraft Tax as of October 18, 2024: \$22,603.39

Short Term Rental Registration Fee as of October 18, 2024: \$62,400.00

LAW DIRECTOR REPORT

Not present

SAFETY SERVICE REPORT

Nothing to present

ECONOMIC COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT COORDINATOR

Mr. Christman advised that there has been some improvements to properties in the downtown district. The majority of the property owners downtown are receptive to the notices of violation; have worked diligently and quickly to make improvements.

Starting November 14, 2024, (second Thursday of each month), he will be hosting a public forum at The Art Garage at 6:00 pm. The intended format is fifteen minutes supplying information from the City and forty-five minutes of question and answer.

Mr. Tarolli inquired about Edward Tree Service status?

Mr. Christman advised that we have a contract with Edward Tree Service to do Hazzard Mitigation work within the City. They currently have other commitments and will do some work between those commitments and then complete the balance when their schedule opens up.

POLICE CHIEF

Not present

INTERIEM 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

Nothing to present

CORRESPONDENCE

Kelly Gangle's letter of resignation as of August 31, 2024

Ohio Division of Liquor Control, Magi Enterprises, Inc. DBA Phil's Inn, 1708 E. Perry Street, Port Clinton, Ohio, application for change of corporate stock ownership

Architectural Review Board, July 25, 2024, meeting minutes

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Architectural Review Board, September 12, 2024, meeting minutes

Planning Commission, August 22, 2024, meeting minutes

Environment & Public Works Committee, August 24, 2024, meeting minutes

Environment & Public Works Committee, September 10, 2024, meeting minutes

Planning Commission, September 26, 2024, meeting minutes

Mrs. Gillman moved to waive a right to a hearing with the Ohio Division of Liquor Control, for Magi Enterprises, Inc, DBA Phil's Inn; seconded by Mr. Tarolli.

Results of a voice roll call are as follows: Mrs. Gillman, yes; Ms. Phillips, yes; Mr. Morgan, yes; Ms. Hovis, yes; Mr. Tarolli, yes; Mr. Robinson, yes; and Mrs. King, yes. Motion carried 7-0: per Mrs. Sarty.

Ms. Phillips moved to accept the correspondence as stated; 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

Resolution 24-10

A RESOLUTION APPROVING AND ENDORSING THE PORT CLINTON RECREATION AMENTIES PLAN

No action taken – Resolution 24-10 will be moved to second reading on November 12, 2024, at the regular scheduled Council meeting

BUSINESS FROM THE FLOOR

Mr. Morgan – Very impressed with this evenings presentation; Thank you.

Mr. Robinson – Nothing to present

Ms. Phillips – Attended the Masquerade Mash event at The Art Garage last Saturday; was well attended. Glad to see the improvements in downtown; have had several good comments.

Ms. Hovis – Nice presentation. Attended a performance at Playmakers Civic Theater recently; was really....good.

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Mr. Tarolli – Advised that his grand-daughter is up for Annie at the next Playmakers Civic Theater production. Welcome Avery.

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Mrs. King – Thank you for all the work done on this evenings presentation; most excited about the Active Transportation. Welcome Avery.

Mrs. Gillman – Welcome Avery. Thank you for the presentation; it was recorded and happy that we can share with the community. Reminder that November 3rd we turn our clocks back and change your batteries in your smoke detectors. November 8, 2024, there is a free Veteran’s lunch for Veterans’ at Jet Express Terminal from 11:00 – 2:00 pm; hosted by Crown Battery.

ANNOUNCEMENTS None

ADJOURNMENT

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 7:15 p.m.

Sandra Ostheimer
Clerk of Council

Lisa Sarty
President of Council