



City Council Meeting Minutes

Tuesday, May 10, 2022

6:00 PM

1) Call to Order

Council President Markham called the meeting to order at 6:02 pm.

2) Roll Call of Members

Council Members in Attendance: Sam Marcellino, Lori Ann Feibel, Troy Markham, Monique Lampke, Matt Klingler, and Jessica Saad

President Markham remarked that Councilwoman Robinson is absent due to illness.

Ms. Lampke moved to excuse Ms. Robinson's absence.

Ms. Klingler seconded.

All in Favor: Sam Marcellino, Lori Ann Feibel, Troy Markham, Monique Lampke, Matt Klingler, Jessica Saad

Opposed: None

Motion passes 6-0.

3) Pledge of Allegiance

4) Presentations/Special Guests

No Special Guests.

5) Public Comments (Speaker Slip Required)

No comment at this time.

6) President's Report

President Markham noted that today is National Fentanyl Awareness Week and spoke of recent losses and work to fight the tragedy of fentanyl deaths.

President Markham then discussed the Consent Agenda, its purpose and use along with the limits of this tool. Mr. Markham specifically communicated that Council members are always welcome to remove any ordinance from the consent agenda for further discussion or questions. Mr. Fishel also added that ordinances on the Consent Agenda are open for public comment during this time as well, and that Council members can also remove items for further discussion after comment. Ms Feibel, Ms. Lampke, and Ms. Saad added comments on this topic as well.

7) City Attorney Report

No report at this time.

8) Auditor's Report

No report at this time.

9) Administrative Update:

A) Service Department Update - Andy Bashore

Mr. Bashore had no additions to his report. Ms. Saad complimented the flowering trees and asked if we'd be including planters on Livingston again, which Mr. Bashore and Mr. Kessler answered.

B) Police Department Update - Interim Chief Gough

Chief Gough has no additions to his report at this time. Mr. Markham asked about the number of applicants, which Chief Gough answered.

C) Recreation and Parks Update - Mike Price

Mr. Price spoke regarding some of the content of his report.

Ms. Saad congratulated Mr. Price on the registration numbers and Mr. Price expanded on those numbers for Council

D) Finance Department Update - Beecher Hale

Mr. Hale has no report.

Mr. Klingler asked a budget question regarding some street work, which Mr. Kessler and Mr. Bashore addressed. Mr. Kessler discussed some of the discussions that have resulted from the recent intense rainfall and flash flooding scenario.

E) Mayor's Update

i) Proclamation for Light Ohio Blue Week

Mayor Kessler read a proclamation to Interim Chief Gough in honor of Light Ohio Blue week.

Mayor Kessler then reviewed the highlights of his report, including mention of some upcoming projects and some news about mural plans related to the Love Your Alley event.

Mayor Kessler then discussed the Tree Lawn notice that's generating some resident questions. Mayor Kessler will be working with Councilwoman Feibel or Councilman Klingler regarding a process for these inquiries. Hearing no questions on this initiative, he then covered additional topics in his report.

Ms. Lampke asked if we still have a second code enforcement officer, and Mayor Kessler confirmed that Mr. O'Donnell is back to assist with this.

Mr. Markham asked for some additional information on the Chief Search, which Mayor Kessler provided.

10) Consent Agenda: (No Speaker Slip Required)

- A) Meeting Minutes - 04/26/22 City Council Meeting
- B) Ordinance 10-22 to establish the rate for the Police Administrative assistant at \$32.72 per Hour effective March 21, 2022 introduced by Monique Lampke on April 12, 2022
- C) Ordinance 15-22 to amend Sections 474.07 Safe Riding Regulations for Bicycles; Section 474.08 Parking; Locks; Section 474.12 Operation of Minibikes, Scooters, Etc. on Sidewalks, Park and School Grounds; and Section 474.13 Bicycle License Required introduced by Sam Marcellino on April 12, 2022.
- D) Resolution 3-22 confirming the Mayor's appointment of Kathleen Gravelle to the Board of Health introduced by Jen Robinson on April 12, 2022.

Mr. Fishel read the items on the Consent Agenda.

Mr. Klingler moved.

Ms. Saad seconded.

All in Favor: Sam Marcellino, Lori Ann Feibel, Troy Markham, Monique Lampke, Matt Klingler, Jessica Saad

Opposed: None

Motion Passed 6-0

11) Third Readings: (No Speaker Slip Required)

- A) Ordinance 11-22 to provide for designated off-leash areas within Schneider Park introduced by Sam Marcellino on April 12, 2022.

Mr. Fishel read the ordinance and Mr. Marcellino provided some additional background on the ordinance.

Ms. Lampke asked about who'd be responsible for enforcement, which Mr. Kessler answered.

Mr. Klingler asked some additional questions, which Mr. Marcellino and Mr. Kessler answered.

Ms. Saad requested good signage, which Mr. Kessler acknowledged.

Mr. Marcellino moved to pass Ordinance 11-22.

Mr. Klingler seconded.

All in Favor: Sam Marcellino, Lori Ann Feibel, Troy Markham, Monique Lampke, Matt Klingler, Jessica Saad

Opposed: None

Motion Passed 6-0

- B) Ordinance 13-22 to amend 1226.18 Appeals to the Board of Zoning and Planning, in order to specify the applicant as the appellant in certain instances introduced by Matt Klingler

on April 12, 2022

Mr. Fishel read the ordinance and Mr. Klingler provided additional background and information. Mr. Marcellino stated that he had concerns about potential removal of rights, and said that after further research it's clear to him it is not removing rights, but is rather improving efficiency and he appreciates the time. Ms. Lampke also noted her initial concerns which have been resolved by future research and evaluation of the ordinance. Mr. Markham thanked Mr. Klingler for his time and commitment on this ordinance.

Mr. Kessler reviewed the proposed amendments based on recommendations from the BZAP group.

Mr. Klingler moved to amend Ordinance 13-22 as noted.

Mr. Marcellino seconded.

All in Favor: Sam Marcellino, Lori Ann Feibel, Troy Markham, Monique Lampke, Matt Klingler, Jessica Saad

Opposed: None

Motion Passed 6-0

Mr. Klingler moved to pass Ordinance 13-22

Ms. Saad seconded.

All in Favor: Sam Marcellino, Lori Ann Feibel, Troy Markham, Monique Lampke, Matt Klingler, Jessica Saad

Opposed: None

Motion Passed 6-0

- C) Ordinance 14-22 to Amend Section 1266.14 Solar Panels, in order to provide for consistent regulation and a streamlined approval process for solar panel projects introduced by Matt Klingler on April 12, 2022

Mr. Fishel read the ordinance and Mr. Klingler provided some background and additional information.

Ms. Saad asked about what projects this would impact and Mr. Kessler talked about this and the rationale behind writing this ordinance. Ms. Saad asked if we could add some more specific language regarding staff review and training. Mr. Markham asked a clarifying question, which Ms. Saad answered. Mr. Marcellino echoed some of Ms. Saad's concerns. A conversation ensued regarding this topic.

Mr. Klingler moved to table Ordinance 14-22.

Ms. Saad seconded.

All in Favor: Sam Marcellino, Lori Ann Feibel, Troy Markham, Monique Lampke, Matt Klingler, Jessica Saad

Opposed: None

Motion Passed 6-0

12) Second Readings: (Speaker Slip Required)

- A) Ordinance 17-22 to amend Section 824.03 License Fee; Effective Period, in order to eliminate Garage and Yard Sale license fees, introduced by Monique Lampke on April 26, 2022.

Mr. Fishel read the ordinance and Ms. Lampke provided some background information. Ms. Lampke proposed moving this ordinance to the consent agenda. Council members agreed.

13) First Readings: (Speaker Slip Required)

- A) Ordinance 18-22 granting the donation of an Easement consisting of a certain strip of land twenty (20) feet in width, the centerline being the facilities as installed, as further described in Ordinance Number 24 as adopted by the Council of the Village of Bexley on October 24, 1911 (Parcel #020-000813-00) for electric and other current/future energy or communication purposes to American Electric Power. Introduced by Lori Ann Feibel on May 10, 2022.

Mr. Fishel read this ordinance and Ms. Feibel provided some background and rationale behind this ordinance, which will allow for irrigation in Commonwealth Park. Mr. Kessler provided some additional information about the space addressed in this ordinance.

Ms. Feibel moved to suspend the three reading requirement for Ordinance 18-22.

Mr. Klingler seconded.

All in Favor: Sam Marcellino, Lori Ann Feibel, Troy Markham, Monique Lampke, Matt Klingler, Jessica Saad

Opposed: None

Motion Passed 6-0

Ms. Feibel moved to pass Ordinance 18-22.

Mr. Klingler seconded.

All in Favor: Sam Marcellino, Lori Ann Feibel, Troy Markham, Monique Lampke, Matt Klingler, Jessica Saad

Opposed: None

Motion Passed 6-0

- B) Ordinance 19-22 to amend 1226.19 Appeals to Council, in order to specify an appeals timeline based upon the date of receipt of a written decision and posting of written decision to website; to provide for City Council's ability to decline jurisdiction based upon conflicts of interest or for other cause; to provide for the suspension of active permits pertaining to those parts of an application that are under appeal; and to accommodate additional procedural improvements. Introduced by Matt Klingler on May 10, 2022.

Mr. Fishel read the ordinance and Mr. Klingler provided some background on this ordinance and it's purpose. Mr. Kessler provided some additional information on this. Mr. Klingler highlighted some of the specific language in the changes and Mr. Fishel provided some additional clarification in response to Mr. Markham's questions. Counsel members discussed and asked questions.

- C) Ordinance 20-22 to approve the proposed Joint Livingston Avenue Plan introduced by Jen Robinson on May 10, 2022.

Mr. Fishel read the ordinance and Mr. Markham provided some background behind this ordinance. Ms. Lampke offered some comments and compliments on this plan. Ms. Lampke asked about any potential costs in the short term plan and Mr. Kessler answered the striping is a Columbus project, but there is a potential cost with maintaining the right of way north of Livingston if that's provided.

14) Tabled Ordinances:

A) Ordinance 41-21 accepting the proposed donation of the Columbia Place private street in the Columbia Place subdivision by the City of Bexley for a public street. (Introduced by Jessica Saad September 28, 2021)

B) Ordinance 24-21 (Tabled), to award the Bexley Electricity Aggregation Program contract to AEP Energy, based upon the terms and conditions provided for in their RFP, as modified by the Board of Control, introduced by Mr. Sharp. (Introduced on May 25, 2021)

Mr. Fishel did mention that Ordinance 24-21 will fall off after the next meeting according to Council rules, but can be extended.

There is no other action at this time.

15) Finance Committee - Monique Lampke, Chair

Ms. Lampke has no report.

16) Safety and Health Committee - Sam Marcellino, Chair

No report at this time.

17) Zoning and Development Committee - Matt Klingler, Chair

No report at this time.

18) Recreation and Parks Committee - Jessica Saad, Chair

Bexley Education Foundation is doing a lot of great things with publication, and they are asking alumni to send photos of themselves in their cap and gown.

19) Strategic Committee - Jen Robinson, Chair

Ms. Robinson is absent.

20) Service and Environmental Committee - Lori Ann Feibel, Chair

Ms. Feibel provided some updates on the BC&E which is celebrating the first Jazz in the Park and the first Main Event of the season at the end of May. Ms. Feibel also shared about Bexley Bloomers and provided some recycling information.

21) Public Comments (No Speaker Slip Required)

No comments at this time.

22) Adjourn

Mr. Klingler moved to adjourn.

Ms. Lampke seconded.

All in Favor: Sam Marcellino, Lori Ann Feibel, Troy Markham, Monique Lampke, Matt Klingler, Jessica Saad

Opposed: None

Motion Passed 6-0