



## City Council Minutes

**Tuesday, October 14, 2025**

### **1. Call to Order**

Ms. Lampke called the meeting to order at 6:04 pm.

### **2. Roll Call of Members**

Council Members in Attendance: Danny Hurley, Lori Ann Feibel, Sam Marcellino, Troy Markham, Jess Saad, Monique Lampke

Ms. Lampke moved to excuse Mr. Silverman.

Mr. Marcellino seconded.

All in Favor: Danny Hurley, Lori Ann Feibel, Sam Marcellino, Troy Markham, Jess Saad, Monique Lampke

Motion passed 6-0.

### **3. Pledge of Allegiance**

### **4. Public Comments regarding items not on the Agenda (Speaker Slip Required)**

Constance Lewis at 663 Euclaire spoke about the candidate forum tomorrow from 5:30 to 7:00 pm at the Trinity Seminary at Capital University.

### **5. President's Report**

Ms. Lampke complimented the Recreation Department for an outstanding Harvest Festival and also shared about the upcoming Trash Talk with Mayor Kessler and Ms. Lampke. Ms. Lampke also shared positive news about the recent release of hostages in the middle east.

### **6. City Attorney Report**

Ben Humphrey is here in Marc's place.

### **7. Auditor Report**

No report.

## **8. Administrative Update**

### **a. Mayor's Update**

Mayor Kessler first invited Officer Spradlin to introduce herself. She did so and Chief Lewis also spoke about her background.

Mayor Kessler spoke about the potential move of the Fourth of July fireworks to the same night as Red, White, and Boom. For the coming year, this would mean Friday, July 3 for fireworks with the parade to take place the following morning. This change would bring Bexley's celebrations in line with other local communities on the east side, who are all currently scheduled to coincide with Red, White, and Boom.

Mayor Kessler also shared some additional security concerns that prompted a revisit to the holiday schedule. Chief Lewis shared some additional details on the security concerns, citing crowd control concerns with having such high numbers of attendees. Ms. Feibel shared her belief that we should support the police, then asking Chief Lewis if moving the date would be enough to quell these concerns. Chief Lewis shared his belief that our celebrations being the only option on the Fourth played a significant role in the large crowd size. Mr. Hurley asked about moving back the start time of the parade, which Mayor Kessler shared he'd consider, but did cite issues with heat given the length of our parade. Ms. Lampke asked about where additional support might come from if other communities are also working their events, which Chief Lewis answered, sharing it is a challenge given the additional strain the holiday places on officers throughout the region.

### **b. Chief Gary Lewis, Police Department**

Chief Lewis did not have any additions to his report. Ms. Saad complimented his staff on continued community outreach. Ms. Saad asked about Officer Grimes and some of the work he's doing at St. Charles, which Chief Lewis answered.

### **c. Mike Price, Recreation Department**

Mr. Price covered some of the highlights of his report.

## **9. Consent Agenda (No Speaker Slip Required)**

### **a. Meeting Minutes from September 30, 2025**

### **b. Resolution 05-25** to seek financial assistance from the Ohio Public Works Commission for funding of various capital infrastructure improvement projects, introduced by Jess Saad on September 9, 2025.

Mr. Humphrey read the items on the Consent Agenda.

Ms. Lampke moved to adopt the Consent Agenda.

Mr. Marcellino seconded.

All in Favor: Danny Hurley, Lori Ann Feibel, Sam Marcellino, Troy Markham, Jess Saad, Monique Lampke

Motion passed 6-0.

#### **10. Third Readings (No Speaker Slip Required)**

- a. **Resolution 07-25** adopting the City of Bexley 2025 Land Use Strategy, introduced by Danny Hurley on September 9, 2025.

Mr. Humphrey read Resolution 07-25 and Mr. Hurley also spoke about the document and his interest in voting tonight after a presentation. Ms. Meyer led Council through the document, highlighting some of the possibilities presented in the opportunity sites throughout the document. Mr. Marcellino asked about the missing pages, which Ms. Meyer and Mayor Kessler shared are likely being removed due to them involving a school property and the schools being in the midst of a facilities plan. Ms. Feibel, Ms. Lampke, and Ms. Saad all shared their compliments and enthusiasm for this new plan and document.

Ms. Saad did ask about how to obtain the Trail Town designation, which Mayor Kessler answered is being pursued. Mr. Markham also complimented the process and the document. Mr. Hurley asked when they'd anticipate having the final document. Mr. Marcellino requested holding off on a vote until it's ready. Mayor Kessler then shared his belief in the importance of the Land Use Strategy being a working document that inspires progress and projects and that he has and will continue to take the Land Use Strategy very seriously.

Mr. Hurley moved to table the Resolution 07-25.

Mr. Marcellino seconded.

All in Favor: Danny Hurley, Lori Ann Feibel, Sam Marcellino, Troy Markham, Jess Saad, Monique Lampke

Motion passed 6-0.

#### **11. Second Readings (Speaker Slip Required)**

- a. **Ordinance 24-25** to authorize supplemental appropriations for calendar year 2025 to cover additional costs associated with an increase in recreational programming, introduced by Jess Saad on September 30, 2025

Mr. Humphrey read the ordinance and Ms. Saad invited Mr. Price to walk Council through the need for the appropriations, which he did.

#### **12. First Readings (Speaker Slip Required)**

None.

**13. Tabled Ordinances**

**14. Public Comments (Speaker Slip Required)**

Ms. Lewis shared the same update about the candidate forum held at Capital University.

**15. Safety Committee – Troy Markham, Chair**

Mr. Markham had no report.

**16. Service and Environmental Committee – Alex Silverman, Chair**

**17. Finance Committee – Jessica Saad, Chair**

Ms. Saad provided an update on the budget process and then congratulated the Bexley Area Chamber of Commerce on the Taste of Bexley. Ms. Saad also shared about mini grants awarded by the Bexley Education Foundation.

**18. Strategic and Health Committee – Danny Hurley, Chair**

No report.

**19. Recreation and Parks Committee – Lori Ann Feibel, Chair**

Ms. Feibel spoke about recent Recreation meetings and events, along with some of the upcoming projects and events.

**20. Zoning and Development Committee – Sam Marcellino, Chair**

Mr. Marcellino made note of an upcoming ARB Special Workshop and his Open Office Hours on Friday.

**21. Adjourn**

Ms. Lampke moved to adjourn.

Mr. Marcellino seconded.

All in Favor: Danny Hurley, Lori Ann Feibel, Sam Marcellino, Troy Markham, Jess Saad, Monique Lampke

Motion passed 6-0.

Meeting was adjourned at 7:14 pm.

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