



City of Green

Central Administration
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Meeting Minutes

City Council

Barbara Babbitt - Ward 1
Christopher J. Meager "C.J." - Ward 2
Rocco Yeargin, President - Ward 3
Matt Shaughnessy - Ward 4
Richard Brandenburg - At-Large
Clark A. DeVitis- At-Large
Dave France, Vice President- At-Large
Nichole Messner, Clerk of Council

Tuesday, March 23, 2021

7:00 PM

Council Chambers

I. Call to Order

Council President Yeargin called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

II. Pledge of Allegiance

III. Roll Call of Council Members

Present: 5 - Barbara Babbitt, Richard Brandenburg, Matt Shaughnessy, Rocco Yeargin and CJ Meager

Absent: 2 - Clark A. DeVitis and Dave France

IV. Council Study Session

[TMP-3368](#)

Approval of the February 2021 Financial Report, Subject to Audit

A motion was made by Council Member Brandenburg, seconded by Council Member Babbitt, to approve subject to audit the Financial Statement. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: 5 - Babbitt, Brandenburg, Shaughnessy, Yeargin and Meager

[TMP-3375](#)

Approval of the March 9, 2021 Council-Committee Minutes

A motion was made by Council Member Brandenburg, seconded by Council Member Babbitt, to approve the Minutes. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: 5 - Babbitt, Brandenburg, Shaughnessy, Yeargin and Meager

V. Public Report

Staci Schweikert, 1261 Steese Rd., Green, OH-
Mrs. Schweikert spoke in regard to the Parks Master Plan. Mrs. Schweikert stated that she was not in favor of using parks capital money for trails outside parks.

VI. Public Hearings

None.

VII. Reading of Correspondence

Read in and filed.

[TMP-3376](#)

Email from Summit County RE: Police Academy Scholarship

[TMP-3377](#)

February 10, 2021 Civil Service Commission Minutes

VIII. New Legislation - Items on First Reading

Clerk of Council read in all new legislation.

[2021-R21](#)

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING A MUNICIPAL ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT GRANT AGREEMENT WITH B2, INC., DBA B-SQUARED, AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY. -Referred to the Planning and Economic Development Committee

[2021-06](#)

AN ORDINANCE APPROVING THE EDITING AND INCLUSION OF CERTAIN ORDINANCES AND RESOLUTIONS AS PARTS OF THE VARIOUS COMPONENT CODES OF THE CODIFIED ORDINANCES; PROVIDING FOR THE ADOPTION AND PUBLICATION OF NEW MATTER IN THE UPDATED AND REVISED CODIFIED ORDINANCES; REPEALING ORDINANCES AND RESOLUTIONS IN CONFLICT THEREWITH, AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY. -Referred to the Rules and Personnel Committee

[2021-07](#)

AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND SECTION 648.13, ADDITIONAL NOISE DISTURBANCES, OF CHAPTER 643, PEACE DISTURBANCE, OF THE CODIFIED ORDINANCES OF THE CITY OF GREEN, AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY. - Referred to the Rules and Personnel Committee

IX. Report of Council Committees

A. Finance (Babbitt*, Brandenburg**, Yeargin)

All members present. No items of legislation, did not meet.

B. Environment & Parks (Brandenburg*, France**, DeVitis)

2 members absent; France & DeVitis

Council President Yeargin attended Committee with Councilman Brandenburg.

THIRD READING ITEMS

[2021-R14](#) **A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE CITY OF GREEN TO ENTER INTO AN AGREEMENT WITH FOREVERLAWN SOUTHWEST AND ITS' SUBSIDIARY FOREVER LAWN NEO FOR THE PURCHASE AND INSTALLATION OF SYNTHETIC PLAYGROUND TURF AT CENTRAL PARK PLAYGROUND, AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.**

-(Introduced on 2/23/2021)

Councilman Brandenburg read in the legislation and gave a brief summary.

Service Director Carr reiterated that this agreement would allow synthetic turf to be installed at several of the City's playgrounds.

After further discussion, it was decided to wait for a quorum to vote on this item even though it was 3rd reading; time was requested and granted.

SECOND READING ITEMS

[2021-R18](#) **A RESOLUTION AWARDDING A CONTRACT TO B&B SEALING LLC FOR THE 2021 PARKS PAVEMENT MAINTENANCE PROJECT, AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.** -(Introduced on 3/9/2021)

Councilman Brandenburg read in the legislation and gave a brief summary.

City Engineer Paul Pickett briefly explained that this contract was for various paving projects throughout the City's parks.

After further discussion, Councilman Brandenburg requested time; time was granted.

[2021-R20](#) **A RESOLUTION IN SUPPORT OF ADOPTING THE 2021 PARKS AND RECREATION MASTER PLAN, AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.** -(Introduced on 3/9/2021)

Councilman Brandenburg read in the legislation and gave a detailed overview. He explained that this plan had received favorable recommendation from the Parks & Recreation Board. Councilman Brandenburg touched on various aspects of the Parks Master Plan

Brandstetter Carroll had previously presented this plan in detail at the last Council meeting.

Valerie Wax Carr, Service Director went over various aspects of the plan in detail, as well.

Wayne Wiethe, Planning Director provided additional input.

Councilwoman Babbitt voiced her concerns about the plan and that her wish was to possibly hold additional public meetings for residents to provide more input on the plan.

Councilman Yeargin explained his support for the plan.

Councilman Brandenburg presented some wording change to the legislation that would change adopt to accept, along with a few other changes.

After further discussion, it was decided that they would not vote to amend the legislation or discuss the legislation additionally until the absent members of Council could participate. Councilman Brandenburg requested time; time was granted.

C. Public Safety (DeVitis*, Babbitt**, Shaughnessy)

2 members present; Councilman DeVitis absent.

[TMP-3367](#)

Sheriff's Department February 2021 Activity Report

Councilwoman Babbitt briefly touched on the Sheriffs report.

Councilman Yeargin gave a brief update on the most recent Diversity, Equity & Inclusion meeting.

D. Planning, Community & Economic Development (Yeargin*, DeVitis**, Meager)

2 members present; Councilman DeVitis absent.

SECOND READING ITEMS

[2021-03](#)

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 1229, SECTION 1229.05 PARKING, LOADING, AND STACKING REGULATIONS; AND, CHAPTER 1231, SECTION 1231.02 DEFINITIONS, OF THE CODIFIED ORDINANCES OF THE CITY OF GREEN, AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY. -(Introduced on 3/9/2021) *PUBLIC HEARING SCHEDULED FOR TUESDAY, APRIL 13, 2021 AT 7:00 P.M.*

Councilman Yeargin read in the legislation and gave a brief summary.

Planning Director Wayne Wiethe gave a brief overview to the changes Chapter 1229.

Law Director, Lisa Dean went over the legislation briefly.

Councilman Yeargin advised that there would be a public hearing held on this item on April 13, 2021 and this would be discussed further.

After further discussion, Councilman Yeargin requested time; time was granted.

[2021-04](#)

AN ORDINANCE DECLARING A PORTION OF IMPROVEMENTS TO A CERTAIN PARCEL OF REAL PROPERTY OWNED BY DC3 PROPERTIES, LLC, DBA BOGGS CHIROPRACTIC, TO BE A PUBLIC PURPOSE, EXEMPTING 100% OF THE VALUE OF THE IMPROVEMENTS FROM REAL PROPERTY TAXATION FOR THIRTY YEARS, AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY. -(Introduced on 3/9/2021)

Councilman Yeargin read in the legislation and gave a brief summary.

Wayne Wiethe, Planning Director explained the TIF legislation briefly. He stated this was for payments in lieu of taxes.

After further discussion, Councilman Yeargin requested time; time was granted.

[2021-05](#)

AN ORDINANCE DECLARING A PORTION OF IMPROVEMENTS TO A CERTAIN PARCEL OF REAL PROPERTY OWNED BY TWL GREEN DEVELOPMENT, LLC TO BE A PUBLIC PURPOSE, EXEMPTING 100% OF THE VALUE OF THE IMPROVEMENTS FROM REAL PROPERTY TAXATION FOR THIRTY YEARS, AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY. -(Introduced on 3/9/2021)

Councilman Yeargin read in the legislation and gave a brief summary. This piece of legislation was just like the previous one.

Planning Director, Wayne Wiethe briefly explained the TIF legislation, and stated it was just like the previous one.

After further discussion, Councilman Yeargin requested time; time was granted.

E. Rules and Personnel (Meager*, Yeargin**, France)

2 members present. Councilman France absent.

SECOND READING ITEMS

[2021-R19](#)

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE CITY OF GREEN TO UTILIZE ELECTRONIC SIGNATURES AS AN APPROVED METHOD OF CONTROL ON CONTRACTS AND AGREEMENTS, AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY. -(Introduced on 3/9/2021)

Councilman Meager read in the legislation and gave a brief summary. He explained that electronic signatures was something that a lot of communities were doing already.

Law Director Dean and Finance Director Schmidt reiterated that electronic signatures was a practice that many businesses and municipalities are already doing and that she felt it was time for the City of Green to join.

After further discussion, Councilman Yeager requested time; time was granted.

F. Transportation, Connectivity & Storm Water (France*, Shaughnessy**, Brandenburg)

2 members present. Councilman France absent.

Service Director, Valerie Carr gave an update on the trash provider transition.

G. Intergovernmental & Utilities (Shaughnessy*, Meager**, Babbitt)

All members present.

SECOND READING ITEMS

[2021-R16](#)

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE CITY OF GREEN TO ENTER INTO AN AGREEMENT TO PROVIDE COMMUNITY CORRECTIONAL SERVICES WITH ORIANA HOUSE, INC., AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY. -(Introduced 3/9/2021)

Councilman Shaughnessy read in the legislation and gave a brief summary.

Finance Director, Steve Schmidt briefly explained the legislation stating that this as an annual contract that they had for the last 26 years with Oriana House.

Councilman Brandenburg has a question regarding in the price increase. Mr. Schmidt stated that he could look into it.

After further discussion, Councilman Shaughnessy requested time.

City Engineer Pickett gave a brief update on the Wise Rd. opening after the sink hole incident.

X. Mayor's Report

Mayor Neugebauer gave a brief report.

XI. Unfinished Business

None.

XII. New Business

None.

XIII. Adjournment

A motion was made by Council Member Yeargin, seconded by Council Member Brandenburg, to adjourn the meeting at the . The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: 5 - Babbitt, Brandenburg, Shaughnessy, Yeargin and Meager

ATTEST: _____
NICHOLE MESSNER, CLERK OF COUNCIL

APPROVED: _____
ROCCO YEARGIN, PRESIDENT

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