

City of Trenton
REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES
March 2nd, 2023 - 7:30 p.m.

CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Calvin Woodrey called the regular Council meeting to order at 7:31pm.

PRAYER

Elder Fred Baker from United Baptist Church led us in prayer, followed by the pledge of allegiance to our flag.

ROLL CALL

Council Clerk Laura Daley took roll call; all members of Council were present.

PRESENTATIONS

1. Swearing in ceremony for Parks Board and Trenton Community Improvement Corporation members, Mayor Calvin Woodrey swore in the new members to the above mentioned boards.
2. Fire Department - Pinning ceremony for newly appointed Lieutenants Aaron Nichols and Chris wells. Fire Chief Yater presented pins to the newly appointed Fire Lieutenants. Girlfriend Amber and Wife Kylie placed the pins.
3. Branch Manager Jennifer Riley-Johnson from MidPointe Library gave a 2022 Review with explanations regarding what MidPointe had to offer last year and how all faired. Also, she discussed up and coming events the library is hosting, including bringing back concerts in the park this summer. She explained this is the first report given publicly since 2018 due to Covid.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

1. Minutes of the February 16th, 2023 Council Work Session.
2. Minutes of the February 16th, 2023 Regular Council Meeting.
A motion was made by Vice Mayor Perry to approve the minutes of the February 16th Council Work Session and of the Regular Council Meeting, followed by a second by Councilwoman Harris. Roll call was taken; 7 ayes, 0 nays, 0 absent.

CORRESPONDENCE

1. None.

AUDIENCE OF PUBLIC

1. None.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

1. None.

PUBLIC HEARINGS

1. None.

NEW BUSINESS

1. A MOTION AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER TO ENTER INTO A CONTRACT WITH BELSON OUTDOORS, LLC. TO PURCHASE SITE AMENITIES FOR TRENTON CITY PARKS AT A COST OF FIFTY-SIX THOUSAND SEVEN HUNDRED AND ONE DOLLAR AND FIFTY-THREE CENTS (\$56,701.53) AND FURTHER AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER TO SIGN ALL REQUIRED DOCUMENTS RELATED THERETO.

A motion to authorize was made by Councilwoman Harris, followed by a second by Councilman Agee. Roll call was taken, 7 ayes, 0 nays, 0 absent.

2. A MOTION TO SUBMIT FOR AMENDMENT THE FISCAL YEAR 2022 CERTIFICATE OF RESOURCES TO INCLUDE A BEGINNING BALANCE OF \$688,266.84 AND 2022 REVENUE OF \$693,762.27 for FUND 241 AND TO AUTHORIZE THE CITY FINANCE DIRECTOR TO SUBMIT THE SAME TO THE BUTLER COUNTY BUDGET COMMISSION, SUCH THAT TOTAL RESOURCES FOR FUND 241 EQUAL THE TOTAL AMOUNT SPENT FROM THAT FUND ON THE CITY'S ARPA ALLOCATION PLAN.

A motion to authorize was made by Vice Mayor Perry, followed by a second by Councilwoman Harris. Roll call was taken, 7 ayes, 0 nays, 0 absent.

LEGISLATION

1. A RESOLUTION ALTERING THE WAGE AND CLASSIFICATION SCALE AS IT RELATES TO VARIOUS FINANCE DEPARTMENT EMPLOYEES, AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY. **(Second Reading)**

A motion to read this resolution by title only was made by Vice Mayor Perry, followed by a second by Councilwoman Harris. Roll call was taken; 6 ayes, 1 nay, 0 absent. City Attorney Nick Ziepfel read this resolution by title only. A motion to approve was made by Vice Mayor Perry, followed by a second by Councilwoman Montgomery. Roll call was taken, 7 ayes, 0 nays, 0 absent.

*A motion to suspend the rules to read legislation twice and to vote on items 2-5 under legislation was made by Vice Mayor Perry, followed by a second by Councilman Perry. Roll call was taken; 6 ayes, 1 nay, 0 absent. Councilwoman Harris made a motion to read items 2-4 by title only, followed by a second by Vice Mayor Perry. Roll call was taken; 6 ayes, 1 nay, 0 absent. City Attorney Nick

Ziepfel read resolution 2 – 4 in by title only pausing after each one to allow Council to vote upon each item.

2. A RESOLUTION TO CANCEL A MAINTENANCE BOND NO.: 30091709 IN THE AMOUNT OF \$94,537.74, TO RELEASE A PERFORMANCE BOND NO.: 30091707 IN THE AMOUNT OF \$195,584.29, TO ACCEPT A NEW PERFORMANCE BOND NO.: 0833007 IN THE AMOUNT OF \$45,576.96, AND TO ACCEPT A NEW MAINTENANCE BOND NO.: 0833008, IN THE AMOUNT OF \$18,768.26 FOR ELK CREEK SECTION NINE (9) AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY. **(First Reading, Suspend Rules)**
A motion to approve was made by Vice Mayor Perry, followed by a second by Councilwoman Harris. Roll call was taken; 7 ayes, 0 nays, 0 absent.

3. A RESOLUTION TO CANCEL A CASH MAINTENANCE BOND IN THE AMOUNT OF \$712.50, THE RELEASE OF A PERFORMMANCE BOND NO.: 41K234425 IN THE AMOUNT OF \$233,000.00, THE ACCEPTANCE OF A NEW PERFORMANCE BOND NO.: 41K234425 IN THE AMOUNT OF \$9,240.00, AND THE ACCEPTANCE OF A NEW MAINTENANCE BOND NO.: 41K234425, IN THE AMOUNT OF \$17,246.00 FOR HENRY’S ACRES AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY. **(First Reading, Suspend Rules)**
A motion to approve was made by Councilwoman Harris, followed by a second by Vice Mayor Perry. Roll call was taken; 7 ayes, 0 nays, 0 absent.

4. A RESOLUTION TO ACCEPT A ONE-YEAR MAINTENANCE BOND FOR THE ARNOLD BROWN INDUSTRIAL DRIVE ROAD PROJECT AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY. **(First Reading, Suspend Rules)**
A motion to approve was made by Vice Mayor Perry, followed by a second by Councilman Agee. Roll call was taken; 7 ayes, 0 nays, 0 absent.

5. STRONGLY URGING THE OHIO GOVERNOR AND MEMBERS OF THE OHIO GENERAL ASSEMBLY TO RESTORE THE LOCAL GOVERNMENTY FUND TO PRE-RECESSION LEVELS AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY. **(First Reading, Suspend Rules)**
City Attorney Nick Ziepfel read this Resolution in its entirety. A motion to approve was made by Councilwoman Harris, followed by a second by Vice Mayor Perry. Roll call was taken; 7 ayes, 0 nays, 0 absent.

6. AN ORDINANCE TO RE-ZONE APPROXIMATELY 28.96 ACRES, PART OF LOT 3874, CURRENT PARCEL NUMBER R8600-064-000-011 LOCATED AS AN EXTENSION OF W. ARLINGTON DRIVE IN THE CITY OF TRENTON, OHIO. **(First Reading, Refer to Planning Commission, Request Public Hearing)**
City Attorney Nick Ziepfel read this Ordinance in its entirety. A motion to refer this matter to the Planning Commission was made by Vice Mayor Perry, followed by a second by Councilwoman Combs. Roll call was taken; 6 ayes, 0 nays, 0 absent, 1 abstain. A motion to set a Public hearing for the April 6th meeting was made by Councilwoman Harris, followed by a second by Councilwoman Combs. Roll call was taken, 6 ayes, 0 nays, 0 absent, 1 abstain.

7. AN ORDINANCE APPROVING THE EDITING AND INCLUSION OF CERTAIN ORDINANCES AS PARTS OF THE VARIOUS COMPONENT CODES OF THE CODIFIED ORDINANCES; PROVIDING FOR THE ADOPTION OF NEW MATTER IN THE UPDATED AND REVISED CODIFIED ORDINANCES; PROVIDING FOR THE PUBLICATION OF SUCH NEW MATTER; REPEALING ORDINANCES AND RESOLUTIONS IN CONFLICT THEREWITH; AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY. **(First Reading)**

A motion to read this Ordinance by title only was made by Vice Mayor Perry, followed by a second Councilman Perry. Roll call was taken; 6 ayes, 1 nay, 0 absent. City attorney Nick Ziepfel read this ordinance by title only. The second reading will be at the March 16th Council meeting.

REPORTS

City attorney Nick Ziepfel had no reports.

Finance Director Matthew Mesisklis reminded residents of the availability to recycle electronics or batteries in the bin provided near the finance department.

Council Clerk Laura Daley had no reports.

City Manager Marcos Nichols reminded Council that he is looking at bringing the City's signage (branding) up to date with goal of having our City of Trenton signage up to date and for it all to match. He explained one sign is on private property, but we are working with the property to also update that sign as well.

AUDIENCE OF COUNCIL

Councilwoman Harris thanked those that stepped up to volunteer on our boards, committees, and commissions. She then congratulated Mr. Wells and Mr. Nichols for their promotion to Lieutenants for the Fire Dept. she thanked the Chief for sharing their histories.

Councilwoman Combs thanked the volunteers as well. She then congratulated both gentlemen for their appointment to Lieutenant, as they are both multi-generational fire fighters and she remembers Chris when he was just a boy running around the department as her husband has been serving on our dept. for many years.

Councilman Perry thanked those that stepped up to volunteer, then thanked the library for their presentation and stated how excited he was that they are bringing back their concert in the park series. He then congratulated the Lieutenants. Finally, he touched on the trip that some Council members, some administration and some members of the Public took to the Statehouse to meet with our State Representatives as well as a couple Senator's. Stating it was a good trip.

Councilman Agee wished the Mayor a belated Happy Birthday. Thanked those that stepped up to serve and congratulated our Firefighter's for being appointed to Lieutenant. He stated he too got to attend Columbus, explaining we have great State Rep.'s, Mr. Creech and former Mr. Hall make themselves very accessible and truly care about our City. He then stated that Mr. Creech would be back in town on Monday at 1:30pm so the mayor can give him a tour of the city and some of the locations that were discussed regarding obtaining State funding during last week's trip to Columbus.

Councilwoman Montgomery thanked Elder Fred Baker for his prayer. She stated she had the opportunity to attend Wednesday's Community luncheon at Edgewood Baptist church, she stated she was happy to see so many people from the Community there. She then explained that she enjoys all the community events, whether it be Coffee at Todd's or the upcoming

Easter Sunrise service, it is wonderful the community and connection Trenton gives you. She finished by thanking and congratulating our Firefighter's.

Vice Mayor Perry Congratulated Lt. Nichols and Lt. Wells. He then thanked all those that served on our boards. He then gave a quick update of some upcoming important dates of events at the park. June 3rd is Spring fest and then movies in the Park are on June 10th, July 8th, Aug 1st and Sept 9th, with Sept. 23rd being the Fall fest. And then of course the library planning a concert in July. He finished his report by stating that he too had the ability to go to the Statehouse and wanted to thank Senator Lang, Senator Huffman, rep. Hall and Representative Creech for the experience and knowledge they shared with them. Besides helping them with the steps of trying to obtain State funding for the City's many upcoming projects, they provided a tour of the State house which was very interesting.

Mayor Woodrey thanked the volunteers who have applied and been chosen to serve on our boards, Committees and or Commissions. He then congratulated the new Lieutenants, saying that it is refreshing they are both 2nd generation firefighter's and that they give their time aside from their full time jobs to serve on our Fire Department. Regarding the State house trip to Columbus he wanted to take a moment to thank those that took time from their schedule to attend the trip and support Council. He listed all those that attended and thanked them by name. He then thanked the Senator's and State Representatives as well as the legislative aids as they were vey attentive. The trip was very interesting and very informative.

ADJOURNMENT

A motion to adjourn was made by vice Mayor Perry, followed by a second by Councilman Perry. Roll call was taken; 7 ayes, 0 nays, 0 absent. The Regular Council meeting was adjourned at 8:24pm.

2022

BRANCH AT A GLANCE

TRENTON



Items
Circulated
79,000



Meeting Room
Reservations
1,037



Door Count
35,179
visitors



Programs & Attendance
500 programs
12,697 patrons



Jennifer Riley-Johnson

Branch Manager

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POINTES OF PRIDE

- Offering health services to the community with Premier Health/ Atrium’s monthly health screenings, mobile blood donations, mobile mammography, and free COVID tests.
- Started visiting Edgewood 5th and 6th grade classes.
- Began offering outdoor programming utilizing Shakespurr’s Shade.
- Second busiest branch for outreach and library programming.

