

Calvin Woodrey

Mayor

Ryan Perry
Vice Mayor

Jennifer Harris
Council Member

Jennie Combs
Council Member

Dale Perry
Council Member

Cody Agee
Council Member

Sharon Montgomery
Council Member

CALL TO ORDER

PRAYER

Deacon Larry Gronas – Holy Name Catholic Church

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

ROLL CALL

Present: Woodrey, Perry, Agee, Montgomery, Harris, Combs, Perry (7)

Absent: (0)

PRESENTATIONS

1. None.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

1. Minutes of the April 6th, 2023 Council Work Session.
2. Minutes of the April 6th, 2023 Regular Council Meeting.
Motion –To approve the minutes of the April 6, 2023 Council Work Session and Regular Council meeting.

(Roll Call Vote) 1st Agee 2nd Harris

YAYS: Woodrey, Harris, Combs, Perry, Agee (5)

NAYS: (0)

ABSTAIN: Perry, Montgomery (2)

CORRESPONDENCE

1. March Financial Snapshot.
2. Trenton Tax Year 2020 Property Tax Settlement.
3. Trenton Tax Year 2022 Property Tax Settlement.

Finance Director Matthew Mesisklis provided a brief overview of the 2020 and 2022 Property tax settlements and how residents should not have seen an increase in their property taxes (with the caveat that if they added to the livable square footage of their property).

AUDIENCE OF PUBLIC

Planning and Zoning Administrator Bill Jones asked about the upcoming legislation regarding Mapleview Section 4B replat and what the expected timeline would be. Council discussed that the timeline would be two weeks and it would be brought back for discussion and a possible second reading.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

1. None.

PUBLIC HEARINGS

1. AN ORDINANCE TO RE-ZONE PARCEL NUMBER R8000-006-000-150, R8000-006-000-149 AND R8000-006-000-215 LOCATED ON OR NEAR THE NORTHEAST CORNER OF NORTH MIAMI STREET AND NORTH STREET IN THE CITY OF TRENTON, OHIO.

Mayor Woodrey called for the opening of public meeting.

Mayor Woodrey then opened the floor for the For side of the hearing. Dalana Shepherd the property owner mentioned that the plan is to put 2 duplexes (rezone from R2 – R3) each duplex around 2,000 square feet, 3-bedroom 2 bathroom. Bill Jones, Planning and Zoning Administrator mentioned that they are currently a landlord in town and the City has had no issues with them as property owners. Mayor Woodrey closed the For portion of the public hearing.

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NEW BUSINESS

1. A motion to appoint _____ as Interim Clerk of Council.

Motion - That the motion be tabled.

(Roll Call Vote) 1st _____ Vice Mayor Perry _____ 2nd _____ Harris _____

YAYS: Woodrey, Perry, Agee, Montgomery, Harris, Combs, Perry (7)

NAYS: (0)

ABSTAIN: (0)

2. A motion authorizing the City Manager to sign an independent agent agreement for natural gas and electric aggregation services with Energy Alliances for the purpose of purchasing natural gas and electric for use by the City of Trenton and its residents.

Motion - That the motion be adopted.

(Roll Call Vote) 1st _____ Vice Mayor Perry _____ 2nd _____ Harris _____

City Attorney spoke about the motion and that there are two (2) areas of the agreement that would need to be revised.

YAYS: Woodrey, Perry, Agee, Montgomery, Harris, Combs, Perry (7)

NAYS: (0)

ABSTAIN: (0)

LEGISLATION

Motion - That the items 1, 2, 3, 4, and 5 under legislation be read by title only.

(Roll Call Vote) 1st _____ Vice Mayor Perry _____ 2nd _____ Harris _____

YAYS: Woodrey, Perry, Montgomery, Harris, Combs, Perry (6)

NAYS: Agee (1)

ABSTAIN: (0)

1. A RESOLUTION ALTERING THE WAGE AND CLASSIFICATION SCALE TO ADD THE MAYOR'S COURT MAGISTRATE AS A CITY EMPLOYEE AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY. (First Reading, Suspend Rules)

Motion - That the rules be suspended and the Resolution is voted on this evening.

(Roll Call Vote) 1st _____ Harris _____ 2nd _____ Vice Mayor Perry _____

Prior to the vote, Councilmember Agee asked if this would benefit the City. The Mayor and Finance Director mentioned that this does not change anything and there is no cost change to this.

YAYS: Woodrey, Perry, Agee, Montgomery, Harris, Combs, Perry (7)

NAYS: (0)

ABSTAIN: (0)

Motion - That the ordinance be adopted.

(Roll Call Vote) 1st _____ Harris _____ 2nd _____ Vice Mayor Perry _____

YAYS: Woodrey, Perry, Agee, Montgomery, Harris, Combs, Perry (7)

NAYS: (0)

ABSTAIN: (0)

2. AN ORDINANCE TO RE-ZONE PARCEL NUMBER R8000-006-000-150, R8000-006-000-149 AND R8000-006-000-215 LOCATED ON OR NEAR THE NORTHEAST CORNER OF NORTH MIAMI STREET AND NORTH STREET IN THE CITY OF TRENTON, OHIO. (Second Reading, Public Hearing)

Motion - That the ordinance be adopted.

(Roll Call Vote) 1st _____ Harris _____ 2nd _____ Vice Mayor Perry _____

Prior to the vote, Councilmember Agee mentioned his hesitancy with rezoning the property and that the plans shown do not necessarily mean that is what will be pursued since this is simply about the zoning.

YAYS: Woodrey, Perry, Agee, Montgomery, Harris, Combs, Perry (7)

NAYS: (0)

ABSTAIN: (0)

3. AN ORDINANCE TO ACCEPT, MODIFY, OR REJECT THE FINAL RE-PLAT OF LOTS 4787, 4788, 4789, 47900, 4791, 4792 and 4794 INSCLUSIVE, MAPLE VIEW SECTION 4B, PLAT ENVELOPE 9362, PAGE 1714-1715, PART OF LOT 1029 & PART OF LOT 1030, SECTIONS 31 AND SECTIONS 32, TOWN 2, RANGE 4, CONGRESS LANDS WEST OF THE MIAMI RIVER, CITY OF TRENTON, BUTLER COUNTY, OHIO, AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY. (Second Reading)

Motion - That the motion be tabled.

(Roll Call Vote) 1st _____ Vice Mayor Perry _____ 2nd _____ Harris _____

YAYS: Woodrey, Perry, Agee, Montgomery, Harris, Combs, Perry (7)

NAYS: (0)

ABSTAIN: (0)

4. AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING ALL ACTIONS NECESSARY TO EFFECT A GOVERNMENTAL ELECTRIC AGGREGATION PROGRAM WITH OPT-OUT PROVISIONS PURSUANT TO SECTION 4928.20, OHIO REVISED CODE, DIRECTING THE BUTLER COUNTY BOARD OF ELECTIONS TO SUBMIT A BALLOT QUESTION TO THE ELECTORS. **(Second Reading)**

Motion - That the ordinance be adopted.

(Roll Call Vote) 1st _____ Vice Mayor Perry _____ 2nd _____ Agee _____

YAYS: Woodrey, Perry, Agee, Montgomery, Harris, Combs, Perry (7)

NAYS: (0)

ABSTAIN: (0)

5. AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING ALL ACTIONS NECESSARY TO EFFECT A GOVERNMENTAL NATURAL GAS AGGREGATION PROGRAM WITH OPT-OUT PROVISIONS PURSUANT TO SECTION 4929.26, OHIO REVISED CODE, DIRECTING THE BUTLER COUNTY BOARD OF ELECTIONS TO SUBMIT A BALLOT QUESTION TO THE ELECTORS. **(Second Reading)**

Motion - That the ordinance be adopted.

(Roll Call Vote) 1st _____ Vice Mayor Perry _____ 2nd _____ Perry _____

YAYS: Woodrey, Perry, Agee, Montgomery, Harris, Combs, Perry (7)

NAYS: (0)

ABSTAIN: (0)

REPORTS

Finance Director Matthew Mesisklis apologized for the drop box being an issue due to the parking lot construction. Mayor Woodrey followed up that the parking lot project has had issues arise and it happened to extend through the end of the tax collection period.

AUDIENCE OF COUNCIL

Ms. Combs – No reports.

Mr. Perry – Mentioned the Easter Egg Hunt and mentioned the bathrooms and expressed appreciation for the bathroom update.

Mr. Agee – No Reports.

Ms. Montgomery – No Reports.

Vice-Mayor Perry – Mentioned June 3rd (12PM – 4PM) Springfest and the times that various Councilmembers are being in the dunk booth. Also mentioned the impressive nature of the Easter Egg hunt and the renovated park bathrooms.

Ms. Harris – Asked Ms. Daley to come back as the new Council Agenda layout is too much. Mentioned appreciation for Magistrate Fox. Expressed appreciation for Finance Director Mesisklis going over the property tax information, our Fire Department for an incident they handled, Cindy Taggart with the Nazarene Church for the Easter Egg hunt event. The Easter Egg Hunt also has a Super Kids area for children with disabilities, which was mentioned on Starr 93.3 and has drawn families from the Centerville area to participate in the event. Also mentioned was the Springfest, May 4th and the National Day of Prayer, and April 29th there will be a local resident that will be attending an Honor Flight.

Mayor Woodrey – Mentioned a co-worker that accompanies veterans on the Honor Flight and that we all owe a debt of gratitude to our veterans. Mayor Woodrey also provided a hats' off to Mrs. Taggart and a shout out to Paster Jon Young.

Also motioned was an appreciation to Public Works for assisting with the Easter Egg hunt and the remodeling of the bathrooms.

Motion – To go into Executive Session for the reasons stated below.

- To consider confidential information related to marketing plans, specific business strategy, production techniques, trade secrets, or personal financial statements of an applicant for economic development assistance.
- To consider the appointment, employment, or compensation of a public employee or official and to confer with legal counsel.

(Roll Call Vote) 1st Vice Mayor Perry 2nd Harris Time: 8:34 PM

YAYS: Woodrey, Perry, Agee, Montgomery, Harris, Combs, Perry (7)

NAYS: (0)

ABSTAIN: (0)

Motion - That the Executive session be adjourned.

(Roll Call Vote) 1st Vice Mayor Perry 2nd Perry Time: 9:58 PM

YAYS: Woodrey, Perry, Agee, Montgomery, Harris, Combs, Perry (7)

NAYS: (0)

ABSTAIN: (0)

Motion – That item 1 under new business be untabled.

(Roll Call Vote) 1st Harris 2nd Combs

YAYS: Woodrey, Perry, Agee, Montgomery, Harris, Combs, Perry (7)

NAYS: (0)

ABSTAIN: (0)

Motion – To appoint City Manager Marcos Nichols as Interim Clerk of Council.

(Roll Call Vote) 1st Harris 2nd Combs

YAYS: Woodrey, Perry, Agee, Montgomery, Harris, Combs, Perry (7)

NAYS: (0)

ABSTAIN: (0)

ADJOURNMENT

Motion - That the meeting be adjourned.

(Roll Call Vote) 1st Vice Mayor Perry 2nd Perry Time: 10:06 PM

YAYS: Woodrey, Perry, Agee, Montgomery, Harris, Combs, Perry (7)

NAYS: (0)

ABSTAIN: (0)