

## **BRYAN CITY COUNCIL**

**October 7, 2024**

Council President Mary Leatherman opened the meeting with the following members present: Jim Kozumplik, F. John Betts, Richard Hupe, and Stephen Alspaugh. Also attending were: Mayor Carrie Schlade, City Engineer Brian Wieland, Planning & Zoning Administrator Andy Waterston, Fire Chief Doug Pool, Street Commissioner Tyson Engstrom, Wastewater Superintendent Wes Wygant, Bryan Board of Public Affairs Member James Salisbury, and Clerk-Treasurer John Lehner.

Mr. Alspaugh moved, Mr. Kozumplik seconded, to approve the minutes of the September 16, 2024 Regular Meeting, as written. Roll call vote: all ayes; nays, none. Motion carried.

Bryan resident Steve Cox thanked Council for the installation of a “No Outlet” sign at the entrance to Huntington Drive. He also presented a piece of broken pavement from Huntington Drive to express his concern for the condition of the road. City Engineer Wieland responded that the road has a chip and seal structure that over time wears in such a way as to affect the uniformity of depth of the substructure. A newly milled and asphalted surface, as previously requested by some of the residents, would prematurely fail. Street Commissioner Engstrom indicated that the street is scheduled for a new chip and seal surface in the next two weeks. Further discussion was held.

Ordinance No. 37, 2024, titled,

**AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO ENTER INTO A MASTER SERVICE AGREEMENT AND ORDER WITH KRONOS SAASHR, INC., A UKG COMPANY FOR CLOUD-BASED HUMAN RESOURCES SOFTWARE AND ASSOCIATED SUBSCRIPTION SERVICES AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY**

was presented and read by title only. Clerk-Treasurer Lehner explained that the Police and Fire Departments and Bryan Municipal Utilities (BMU) use three different timekeeping/scheduling systems, and that the one used by BMU has been obsolete and unsupported for several years and needs to be replaced. The proposal is for a single system for citywide use and will complement new payroll software coming online in the Clerk-Treasurer’s Office. It is for a three-year contract, and costs will be allocated based on employee headcounts in all city departments.

Mr. Kozumplik moved, Mr. Betts seconded, to suspend the reading of Ordinance No. 37, 2024, on three separate days. Roll call vote: all ayes; nays, none. Motion carried.

Mr. Hupe moved, Mr. Alspaugh seconded, to pass Ordinance No. 37, 2024. Roll call vote: all ayes; nays, none. Motion carried.

Mayor Schlade introduced three liquor permit notices, the first being a new Class D1 permit for Tacos Nachos.

Mr. Kozumplik moved, Mr. Alspaugh seconded, to waive hearings on the issuance of a Class D1 liquor permit to Tacos Nacho LLC. Roll call vote: all ayes; nays, none. Motion carried.

Mayor Schlade addressed the second permit, which provides a Liquor Agency Contract to BLFP Inc, dba Bryan Wine & Spirits, effectively, the new State liquor store to be located at 123 East South Street. This is the site chosen by the Ohio Division of Liquor Control, for which necessary variances were recently approved by the Bryan Planning Commission. The owners, Malek and Fayeze Abboud, were in attendance and answered several questions. Council Members Betts and Hupe thanked them for providing helpful information at the Planning Commission meeting, including the offer to provide free delivery to hospitality establishments in the City of Bryan. Much discussion was held regarding limited parking, traffic congestion and delivery access. Council Member Alspaugh, in particular, asked to see how the proposed 27 parking spaces could possibly fit on the property. Drawings were provided, and the owners expressed their intent and desire to work cooperatively with the City of Bryan on any issues that arise.

Mr. Hupe moved, Mr. Betts seconded, to waive hearings on the issuance of a Liquor Agency Contract to BLFP Inc, dba Bryan Wine & Spirits. Roll call vote: Hupe aye, Betts aye, Kozumplik aye, Alspaugh nay, Leatherman aye. Motion carried.

In light of the previous action, Mayor Schlade requested Council rescind its prior action to request a hearing on the issuance the Class C1 C2 liquor permit to BLFP Inc.

Mr. Betts moved, Mr. Kozumplik seconded, to rescind its September 16, 2024 action requesting a hearing on the advisability of issuing a Class C1 C2 liquor permit to BLFP Inc, dba Bryan Wine & Spirits. Roll call vote: Betts aye, Kozumplik aye, Hupe aye, Alspaugh nay, Leatherman aye. Motion carried.

Planning & Zoning Administrator Waterston requested Council approve a building permit for Nihart Enterprises to build eight 14' x 40' storage units at a cost of \$155,000 at 1060 South Union Street.

Mr. Hupe moved, Mr. Alspaugh seconded, to approve a building permit for Nihart Enterprises to build eight 14' x 40' storage units at a cost of \$155,000 at 1060 South Union Street. Roll call vote: all ayes; nays, none. Motion carried.

Mayor Schlade reminded all of the upcoming Fall Bulk Trash Drop Off dates and times. Fire Chief Pool offered a reminder that conditions are still very dry and to be extremely careful with any (legal) burning. Council Member Betts asked whether there had been issues concerning the placement of political campaign signs, to which Planning & Zoning Administrator Waterston, replied there had been no issues.

A brief recess was taken.

Mr. Alspaugh moved, Mr. Betts seconded, to go into Executive Session to discuss the compensation of a public employee at 6:01 p.m. Roll call vote: all ayes; nays, none. Motion carried.

Asked to attend: City Attorney Marc Fishel (via cell phone), Clerk-Treasurer Lehner

Mr. Alspaugh moved, Mr. Hupe seconded, to adjourn the Executive Session at 6:39 p.m. Roll call vote: all ayes; nays, none. Motion carried.

Mr. Hupe moved, Mr. Kozumplik seconded, to adjourn the meeting. Roll call vote: all ayes; nays, none. Motion carried.

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President of Council

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Clerk-Treasurer