

## **BRYAN CITY COUNCIL**

**November 18, 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, Police Chief Greg Ruskey, Fire Chief Doug Pool, Street Commissioner Tyson Engstrom, Wastewater Superintendent Wes Wygant, Director of Utilities Derek Schultz, and Clerk-Treasurer John Lehner.

Mr. Hupe moved, Mr. Betts seconded, to approve the minutes of the November 5, 2024 Regular Meeting, as written. Roll call vote: all ayes; nays, none. Motion carried.

Bryan resident Steve Cox requested information on the Bryan City Council and Mayor salaries that were approved at the November 4, 2024 Council meeting. He also made a request for street maintenance records for Huntington Drive and Eastland Woods dating back to 2022. City staff will follow-up with Mr. Cox with that information. Mr. Cox also voiced his concerns with the condition of the chip and seal paving work that was recently completed in the Huntington Drive neighborhood.

Many other residents of the neighborhood were in attendance, and nine of them also spoke about the poor condition of the work recently completed. Several expressed thanks to Mr. Cox for his efforts to seek action from the City of Bryan on repairing the neighborhood's streets. There was much discussion, and many of the residents were very displeased with what they perceive as neglect of their streets.

City Council President Leatherman acknowledged the poor surface, explained that it was the result of the contractor applying the surface materials too late in the season (cold), and that the work was warranted and would be repaired in the spring of 2025.

Mr. Kozumplik moved, Mr. Betts seconded, to approve the Clerk-Treasurer's Report for the month ending October 31, 2024 as submitted by Clerk-Treasurer Lehner. Roll call vote: all ayes; nays, none. Motion carried.

Ordinance No. 45, 2024, titled,

**AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO ENTER INTO A RIGHT OF FIRST REFUSAL AGREEMENT WITH ALLIED MOULDED PRODUCTS, INC. FOR THE PURCHASE OF CERTAIN PROPERTY LOCATED IN THE BRYAN INDUSTRIAL PARK.**

was presented and read by title only. Mayor Schlade explained the agreement is supported by the Bryan Industrial Park Advisory Committee (BIPAC), has an initial effective period of twelve months with provisions for automatic renewal in the absence of

objection from either party, and that the price per acre in the agreement is \$5,000. The land described is 5.064 acres.

Mr. Kozumplik moved, Mr. Betts seconded, to suspend the reading of Ordinance No. 45, 2024, on three separate days. Roll call vote: all ayes; nays, none. Motion carried.

Mr. Hupe moved, Mr. Alspaugh seconded, to pass Ordinance No. 45, 2024. Roll call vote: all ayes; nays, none. Motion carried.

Council Member Kozumplik was excused from the meeting at 6:03 p.m.

Ordinance No. 46, 2024, titled,

**AN ORDINANCE TO ACCEPT THE REVISED CHAPTER 13 –  
BUILDING CODE OF THE CODIFIED ORDINANCES OF BRYAN,  
OHIO.**

was presented and read by title only. Planning & Zoning Administrator Waterston explained that these changes are necessitated by, and consistent with, the recently approved re-write of the City of Bryan Planning & Zoning Code.

Mr. Hupe moved, Mr. Alspaugh seconded, to suspend the reading of Ordinance No. 46, 2024, on three separate days. Roll call vote: all ayes; nays, none. Motion carried. Kozumplik absent.

Mr. Betts moved, Mr. Alspaugh seconded, to pass Ordinance No. 46, 2024. Roll call vote: all ayes; nays, none. Motion carried. Kozumplik absent.

Ordinance No. 47, 2024, titled,

**AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO ENTER INTO AN  
AGREEMENT WITH PETERSON CONSTRUCTION COMPANY FOR  
THE BRYAN WASTEWATER TREATMENT PLANT SECONDARY  
IMPROVEMENTS WITH A GUARANTEED MAXIMUM PRICE OF  
\$11,758,639.**

was presented and read by title only. Wastewater Superintendent Wygant provided Council with a reintroduction of the proposed project, as it has been in the planning stage for several years, and is about to enter the construction phase. Funding for the project will be provided through a loan from the Ohio Water Pollution Control Loan Fund.

Mr. Betts moved, Mr. Alspaugh seconded, to suspend the reading of Ordinance No. 47, 2024, on three separate days. Roll call vote: all ayes; nays, none. Motion carried. Kozumplik absent.

Mr. Hupe moved, Mr. Alspaugh seconded, to pass Ordinance No. 47, 2024. Roll call vote: all ayes; nays, none. Motion carried. Kozumplik absent.

Resolution No. 42, 2024, titled,

**A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO APPLY FOR, ACCEPT, AND ENTER INTO A WATER POLLUTION CONTROL LOAN FUND (WPCLF) AGREEMENT ON BEHALF OF THE CITY OF BRYAN FOR PLANNING, DESIGN, AND/OR CONSTRUCTION OF WASTEWATER FACILITIES; AND DESIGNATING A DEDICATED REPAYMENT SOURCE FOR THE LOAN.**

was presented and read by title only.

Mr. Betts moved, Mr. Alspaugh seconded, to suspend the reading of Resolution No. 42, 2024, on three separate days. Roll call vote: all ayes; nays, none. Motion carried. Kozumplik absent.

Mr. Hupe moved, Mr. Alspaugh seconded, to pass Resolution No. 42, 2024. Roll call vote: all ayes; nays, none. Motion carried. Kozumplik absent.

City Engineer Wieland addressed Council on the topic of Huntington Drive, reiterating the challenges the existing roadbed presents and explaining that the type of repair the neighborhood residents would like is not how the street has ever been done and is cost prohibitive at this time. He offered several optional courses of action, none of which are particularly satisfactory. Council Member Betts suggested preparing for another meeting with the residents, laying out exactly what those options are, the costs associated with each, and the reality of how to pay for them. Further discussion was held.

A brief recess was taken.

Mr. Alspaugh moved, Mr. Betts seconded, to go into Executive Session to discuss the acquisition of property at 6:31 p.m. Roll call vote: all ayes; nays, none. Motion carried. Kozumplik absent.

Asked to attend: Mayor Schlade, Director of Utilities Schultz, City Engineer Wieland, Planning & Zoning Administrator Waterston, Clerk-Treasurer Lehner

Mr. Alspaugh moved, Mr. Betts seconded, to adjourn the Executive Session at 7:00 p.m. Roll call vote: all ayes; nays, none. Motion carried. Kozumplik absent.

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

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President of Council

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Clerk-Treasurer