

Mayor Donnellon opened the meeting at 7:00 pm with the Pledge of Allegiance followed by the Invocation.

The clerk read the roll. Mr. Kelly, Mr. Daily, Ms. Downs, Mayor Donnellon, Mr. Camp, Mr. Feldhaus, Ms. Westmark. All members present.

Approval of Minutes

Ms. Westmark motioned to approve the minutes from the June 5, 2023 Council Meeting. Mr. Feldhaus seconded the motion. Mr. Daily and Ms. Downs abstained. Motion carried by a unanimous voice vote.

Public Comment – Citizens and Guests

Casey Berling – 4249 Duneden Avenue

Ms. Berling voiced concerns over the on-street parking on Lafayette Avenue, suggesting a stop sign be installed, parking be reduced to one side of the street, or speed bumps be installed.

Standing Committee Reports

Legislative and Finance Committee Chair Chris Westmark –

Ms. Westmark motioned to accept the May 2023 Fund Report. Ms. Downs seconded the motion. Motion carried by a unanimous vote.

RESOLUTION 2023-14 A RESOLUTION TO ADOPT THE PROPOSED BUDGET FOR THE FISCAL YEAR BEGINNING JANUARY 1, 2024

Ms. Westmark asked Ms. George to give the reading of Resolution 2023-14, by title only. So read. Ms. Westmark motioned for passage of Resolution 2023-14. Mr. Daily seconded the motion. Mr. Kelly – yes, Mr. Daily – yes, Ms. Downs – yes, Mayor Donnellon – yes, Mr. Camp – yes, Mr. Feldhaus – yes, Ms. Westmark – yes. Motion carried.

Safety Committee Chair Tom Camp -

Mr. Feldhaus presented the May 2023 Police report.

Public Works Committee Chair Kathy Downs –

Ms. Downs gave the following updates on Public Works projects:

- The Plainfield Road project contracts have been signed. We are still waiting on the contractor to obtain the permits needed from the railroad. Construction is forthcoming; signs have been installed at both the north and south ends of Plainfield Road.
- A pre-engineer meeting is scheduled for June 20 to discuss the Oakwood Road project. Topics of discussion are the various road widths and how to address the gravel area since gutters are being installed.
- An application for a 2025 SORTA grant for Linden Avenue has been filed with SORTA and the County Engineer's office.
- The insurance claim to replace the pedestrian crossing sign at Lake and Galbraith has been approved. A new sign and solar panel will be installed soon.

Park Board Committee Chair Mark Feldhaus -

Mr. Feldhaus reported attendance was fair at the concert in the park on June 17. The next concert, featuring "String Theory" is Saturday, July 1. The Days in the Park Festival is set for August 4-5.

Diversity & Inclusion Steering Committee – Neil Kelly

Mr. Kelly reported the next committee meeting is Thursday June 22. The meetings begin at 7:00 p.m. and are held in council chambers. All are welcome.

Correspondence (Clerk of Council) & Miscellaneous –

None.

Old Business

Mr. Camp noted that he would like to discuss marketing strategies for the quarterly meetings at the public library. The only attendees were Ms. Fields from the library, Mr. Kelly and Mr. Camp. The next meeting is scheduled for September 11, 2023.

Executive Session

At 7:18 p.m. Mayor Donnellon motioned to retire to executive session to consider the compensation of a public employee, per O.R.C. 121.22(G)1. Mr. Daily seconded the motion. Mr. Kelly – yes, Mr. Daily – yes, Ms. Downs – yes, Mayor Donnellon – yes, Mr. Camp – yes, Mr. Feldhaus – yes, Ms. Westmark – yes. Motion carried.

At 7:33 p.m. Mayor Donnellon motioned to reconvene the regular meeting. Mr. Feldhaus seconded the motion. Mr. Kelly – yes, Mr. Daily – yes, Ms. Downs – yes, Mayor Donnellon – yes, Mr. Camp – yes, Mr. Feldhaus – yes, Ms. Westmark – yes. Motion carried.

New Business

Mayor Donnellon motioned to cancel the July 3 and August 7 council meetings. Mr. Camp seconded the motion. Motion carried by a unanimous voice vote.

Reports from Other City Officials

Solicitor –

No report.

City Manager –

- A part-time tax clerk has been hired.
- An RFP for the pavillion project will be issued soon. A Phase I environmental study will be done.
- The walking path in the park will be paved for under \$50,000.
- The public works department repainted the crosswalk at Clifford Road. They also built the retaining wall near Diamond 2. The budget is being looked over to see if it is possible to add one more employee to the public works team.
- Signs have been ordered for “Dave Collins Way”.
- The parking lot at the community center needs to be re-paved. The city is hoping the school will partner with us since they use the lot frequently.

Mayor -

Beautification award nominations are due by July 15.

Schedule

June 20, 2023 Block Watch at 7:00 p.m.

June 22, 2023 Diversity & Inclusion Committee meeting at 7:00 p.m.

July 17, 2023 Council Meeting at 7:00 p.m.

August 8, 2023 Special Election – Ohio Constitutional Amendment

Community Events

August 4-5, 2023 Days in the Park Festival

Party in the Park Dates

June 17

July 1

July 22

August 19

September 23

Adjournment

Mayor Donnellon motioned to adjourn. Mr. Camp seconded the motion. Motion carried by a unanimous voice vote. Meeting adjourned at 7:48 pm.

John Donnellon
Mayor

Meredith George
Clerk of Council