

Brookville City Council
Regular Meeting
July 18, 2023

The Regular Meeting of the Brookville City Council was called to order by Mayor Letner at 7:30 p.m. on July 18, 2023. The meeting was held in the City Council Chambers and virtually using the Cisco Webex application. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited. Members Crane, Fowler, Schreier, Wilder and Zimmerlin; Manager Keaton, Finance Director Brandt, Law Director Stephan, Fire Chief Fletcher, Police Chief Jerome and Clerk Duncan were present.

Roll Call by Clerk Duncan.

Member Zimmerlin requested to add an Executive Session per O.R.C. 121.22(G)(1) to consider the appointment of a public official.

Motion by Crane, second by Fowler to adopt the Agenda with an addition. All yeas, motion carried.

Motion by Wilder, second by Schreier, to approve the July 5, 2023 Regular Meeting Minutes. Fowler abstained, Zimmerlin abstained, Schreier yea, Wilder yea, Crane yea, Letner yea. Motion carried with four yeas and two abstentions.

Fire Chief Fletcher recognized Fire and Police personnel for their life-saving actions while responding to a structure fire, with a person trapped, on Foothill Drive in the early morning hours of June 16, 2023. Recognized were Brookville Police Officers Tim Beaver and Caleb Shatsby; Brookville Fire Captains Chad Ferguson and Mike Hensley, Lieutenants Dustin Copley and Kyle Sewert, Firefighter/Paramedic Kaleb Broomhall, and Firefighter/EMTs Gavin McGriff, Ridge O'Daniel, Dave Schmitt and Megan Vaughn. Fire Chief Fletcher also recognized Phillipsburg Fire Department Members Matt Rhoades, Chris Rowher and Justin Saunders, who responded as mutual aid to the structure fire. Fire Chief Fletcher commended all for their professionalism and teamwork, which allowed them to save a life, as well as suppress the fire and save the structure.

Mayor Letner thanked the crowd who attended to see the recipients receive their commendations. Mayor Letner thanked both the Police and Fire Department for making Brookville the great community that it is.

Manager Keaton reported last August, City Council approved a one-year bid with American Rock Salt at a cost of \$79.16/ton. The second-year option with American Rock Salt is \$86.36/ton. Manager Keaton reported she reached out to several companies that provide rock salt, and American Rock Salt is still the lowest proposal at \$86.36/ton. Robinson Salt Supply, Inc., located in Miamisburg has the State of Ohio contract, and their price is \$149.79/ton. Compass Minerals price is \$104.83/ton. Cargill Inc. did not respond. Our salt barn holds approximately 550 tons of salt and it is currently full as we just took delivery of the last of our salt commitment for the 2022/2023 winter season. Manager Keaton requested Council authorization to exercise the second-year option with American Rock Salt at a cost of \$86.36/ton.

Motion by Fowler, second by Wilder to authorize the City Manager to exercise the second-year option with American Rock Salt at a cost of \$86.36/ton. All yeas, motion carried.

Manager Keaton reported proposed Resolution Nos. 23-23 and 23-24 are on the Agenda this evening for a first reading. These Resolutions allow the city to prepare and submit applications to the Ohio Public Works Commission. Manager Keaton stated the Hay Avenue Roadway Improvements, Phase III Project begins where Phase II ends on Cusick Avenue and will begin this year. The Main Street Water Main Replacement, Phase II Project, will replace the four-inch cast iron water main with an eight-inch ductile iron water main from Columbia Street to Salem Street. The applications are due to Ohio Public Works on August 23, 2023. Manager Keaton requested Council pass the first reading of the proposed Resolutions.

Member Fowler asked how much four-inch water main we currently have in the City?

Manager Keaton replied she can research that and provide an answer at the next meeting.

Motion by Zimmerlin, second by Fowler to read proposed Resolution No. 23-23. All yeas, motion carried.

Motion by Wilder, second by Fowler to accept the first reading of Resolution No. 23-23. All yeas, motion carried.

Motion by Zimmerlin, second by Schreier to read proposed Resolution No. 23-24. All yeas, motion carried.

Motion by Fowler, second by Schreier to accept the first reading of Resolution No. 23-24. All yeas, motion carried.

Mayor Letner asked when the water modeling study was completed?

Manager Keaton replied the study was done about six years ago.

Mayor Letner advised Council the study broke down all the four-inch and six-inch main in the City and their locations.

Manager Keaton commented in 2015, Fire Chief Fletcher and former Street Superintendent Ron Brandt then drove all the streets with four-inch main and ranked them according to quality.

Fire Chief Fletcher stated the water modeling study was completed in September of 2018.

Manager Keaton encouraged everyone to attend the 72nd Annual Community Picnic next Thursday, Friday and Saturday. The Picnic will end on Saturday with fireworks at 10:00 p.m.

Member Fowler inquired if Wolf Creek has been holding up with all of the rain we have had recently?

Manager Keaton replied we have not had any issues.

Finance Director Brandt had no report.

Fire Chief Fletcher pointed out how fragile our Police and Fire response system can be, stating we were fortunate to have everything in place on the night of the recent structure fire.

Mayor Letner commented the comradery of the Brookville Fire Department members, evident by the attendance this evening, is admirable.

Fire Chief Fletcher commented the comradery of the Brookville Fire Department family is one of the draws that led him to accept the position of Fire Chief years ago.

Police Chief Jerome thanked Fire Chief Fletcher for putting tonight's recognition program together. Police Chief Jerome commended his Police Officers and the Fire Department members for their actions.

Law Director Stephan had no report.

Mayor Letner reported he was honored to kick off the 171st Montgomery County Fair last week, stating Brookville is well represented at the fair.

Mayor Letner also encouraged everyone to attend the Brookville Community Picnic next weekend, and thanked the AMVETS, VFW and Wolf Creek Farms for sponsoring the fireworks show this year.

Member Fowler, Park Board Liaison, had no report.

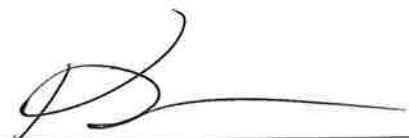
Member Schreier, Planning Commission Liaison, had no report.

Motion by Zimmerlin, second by Fowler to go into Executive Session per O.R.C. 121.22 (G)(1) to consider the appointment of a public official. All yeas, motion carried.

Motion by Zimmerlin, second by Fowler to go back into Regular Session. All yeas, motion carried.

Motion by Fowler, second by Crane to appoint Damian Kristof to City Council to fill the unexpired term vacated by Jeffrey Requarth, which expires on December 31, 2023. All yeas, motion carried.

Motion by Fowler, second by Zimmerlin to adjourn. All yeas, motion carried.



Kimberly Duncan, Clerk

Charles Letner, Mayor