

Brookville City Council
Regular Meeting
September 17, 2024

The Regular Meeting of the Brookville City Council was called to order by Mayor Letner at 7:30 p.m. on September 17, 2024. The meeting was held in the City Council Chambers and virtually using the Cisco Webex application. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited. Members Crane, Piper, Schreier, Wilder and Zimmerlin; Manager Kuntz, Finance Director Brandt, Law Director Stephan, Fire Chief Fletcher, Police Chief Jerome and Clerk Duncan were present. Member Fowler was absent.

Roll Call by Clerk Duncan.

Motion by Zimmerlin, second by Wilder to accept the Agenda as presented. All yeas, motion carried.

Motion by Zimmerlin, second by Piper to accept the September 3, 2024 Regular Meeting Minutes as presented. All yeas, motion carried.

Adam Blevins, 260 Doyle Avenue, requested permission for the Brookville Band Association to hold their annual March-a-thon Fundraiser for the Brookville Schools Band on September 28, 2024 from 10:00 a.m. until 12:15 p.m.

Motion by Zimmerlin, second by Wilder to approve the March-a-thon Fundraiser for the Brookville Schools Band on September 28, 2024 from 10:00 a.m. until 12:15 p.m. as presented. All yeas, motion carried.

Manager Kuntz reported the Wolf Creek Resurfacing Project has been delayed due to the availability of materials. The new start date will be communicated to the public as soon as it becomes available.

Manager Kuntz reported the Comprehensive Land Use Plan Steering Committee interviewed four consultants this week. The Steering Committee will be making a recommendation to the City Council at the October 1 meeting on what company they have selected to move forward with this project.

Manager Kuntz advised that Montgomery County is holding their annual Tire Buy Back Event on September 22 from 9:00 a.m. until 1:00 p.m. at the Transfer and Recycling Facility. Participants can receive \$2 per tire, up to 10 tires per vehicle.

Manager Kuntz reminded everyone of the Third Thursday event at Gruenig Park on September 19, 2024 and encouraged everyone to attend.

Manager Kuntz congratulated Finance and HR Director Michelle Brandt for being awarded her fourth Ohio Auditor of State Award earlier this summer from Ohio Auditor of State Keith Faber's office. This award recognizes excellence in financial reporting in accordance with "Generally Accepted Accounting Principles" and compliance with all applicable state laws. The city obviously appreciates Finance and HR Director Brandt's work on everything within the city's finance department to ensure we continue to be responsible stewards of taxpayer resources as well as keeping our finances as transparent as any community within the state.

Finance Director Brandt presented the August 31, 2024 Fund Balance.

Motion by Schreier, second by Zimmerlin to accept the August 31, 2024 Fund Balance as presented. All yeas, motion carried.

Finance Director Brandt reported proposed Resolution No. 24-17 is an annual resolution that accepts the amounts and rates as determined by the Montgomery County Budget Commission. The adoption of this Resolution is a formal approval of the rates and yields for the inside millage for the City. It is required by the County Auditor in order to collect real estate tax.

Motion by Piper, second by Zimmerlin to read proposed Resolution No. 24-17. All yeas, motion carried.

Motion by Zimmerlin, second by Wilder to accept the first reading of proposed Resolution No. 24-17. All yeas, motion carried.

Fire Chief Fletcher reported the Fire Department is seeking volunteers for a community project which involves painting fire hydrants.

Fire Chief Fletcher warned of a current scam soliciting funds on behalf of the Brookville Fire Department. The Fire Department does not make phone calls or go door-to-door to solicit funds.

Fire Chief Fletcher advised while there is not a burn ban in our fire district at this time, residents should use caution due to current dry conditions.

Police Chief Jerome reminded everyone of the Homecoming Parade tomorrow evening, beginning at 6:00 p.m.

Police Chief Jerome reported the public safety awareness campaign regarding scooter and bike safety in the Market Street business district is proving to be successful. The Facebook post has reached over 3,800 people and business owners are reporting kids have slowed down or moved to the street to ride.

Police Chief Jerome reported a Facebook post was shared recently claiming that Brookville High School had a threat. The threat was actually in another state. Police Chief Jerome advised people to call the police prior to sharing posts that are not confirmed to be accurate.

Police Chief Jerome reported What's the Scoop will host the Cones with Cops event on September 29. Brookhaven will host a Coffee with a Cop event on October 2 and Scramble by Café 19 will host the Coffee with a Cop event on October 9. The annual Veteran's Day Lunch will be held on November 12 at Rob's Restaurant.

Police Chief Jerome reminded everyone that the city has a golf cart ordinance. Regulations are posted on our website and Facebook page.

Police Chief Jerome reported the Police Department recently received certification from the Ohio Collaborative on the Bias Free Policing and Investigation of Employee Misconduct training module.

Police Chief Jerome reported the Police Department has introduced pepper ball launchers and kits with gas masks for officer safety and preparedness.

Law Director Stephan had no report.

Mayor Letner reported Barton Mallow Company is in the process of completing the demolition of the old bank drive-through owned by the city on Hay Avenue. This is a community project that is being completed at no charge to the city. Mayor Letner thanked Barton Mallow for this generous contribution to the city.

Mayor Letner complimented Damian Kristof, for the joint Brookville Public Library and Historical Society presentation on Market Street last week.

Motion by Zimmerlin, second by Schreier to read proposed Ordinance No. 2024-12. All yeas, motion carried.

Motion by Schreier, second by Wilder to accept the third reading and adopt Ordinance No. 2024-12 entitled "AN ORDINANCE ESTABLISHING BUSINESS REGISTRATION IN THE CITY OF BROOKVILLE, OHIO. All yeas, motion carried.

Member Schreier commended Brookville Schools for their excellent rating that was announced in the newspaper yesterday.

Adam Blevins, 260 Doyle Avenue, reported Park Board has started planning for the annual Christmas in the Park event which begins on December 6 and encouraged citizen participation in setting up for the event. Donations are welcome as well.

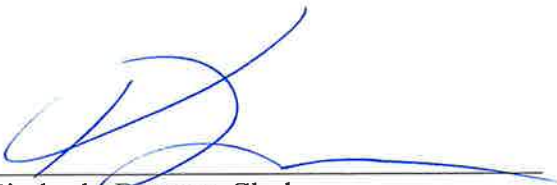

Member Schreier, Planning Commission Liaison, had no report.

Damian Kristof, 61 Oak Street, announced the library is also holding a dedication ceremony and reception on September 30 at noon for the new Gold Star Family/Purple Heart parking spot at the library, and encouraged the public to attend.

Bruce Garber, 434 Sycamore Street, expressed concern that City Council tabled the R1 Rural Residential Zoning district proposed by Planning Commission.

Jessica Shelton, 13340 Brookville Pymont Road, commented she submitted a public record request over a month ago and inquired when she can expect to get the requested information.

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


Kimberly Duncan, Clerk
Charles Letner, Mayor