

Record of Proceedings
Regular Council Meeting
April 25th, 2024

1 Presiding Officer, Mayor Nicholas Molnar called the April 25th, 2024 regular Council meeting to order at
2 7:30p.m.
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4 **Present:** Council members Jessica Brandt, Dave Finley, Jeff Garvas, Jan Tulley and Vini J.
5 Ventura. Also present: Law Director Mark Guidetti and Clerk of Council Jon Hoover.
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7 **INVOCATION & PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**
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9 **PROCLAMATION:** The Mayor read a proclamation naming April 25, 2024 as Nordonia High School
10 Girls Bowling Team Day. In attendance were Coach Ty Lachowski and student-athletes Kolbey Lewin,
11 Abby Toronski, Brooke Barnes, Kaitlyn Mcnutt, Grace Bzdafka, Alexis Demarco, Brianna Glana and
12 Natalie Barnes.
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14 **APPROVAL OF MINUTES:**
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16 Ms. Brandt moved, second by Mr. Garvas, to **approve the minutes of the regular meeting of April 11,**
17 **2024 as received from the Clerk of Council.** The motion carried by a majority voice vote. Councilors
18 Brandt, Garvas, Tulley and Ventura voting in the affirmative. Councilor Finley abstained.
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20 **PUBLIC COMMENTS:** None
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22 **CORRESPONDENCE:** None
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24 **INTRODUCTION, READINGS & ADOPTION OF LEGISLATION**
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26 **ORDINANCE NO. 8-2024**

27 AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING A TAX EXEMPTION FOR REAL PROPERTY OWNED BY DDR
28 HD & C, LLC IN THE CITY'S COMMUNITY REINVESTMENT AREA, AND DETERMINING THE
29 TIME PERIOD FOR SAID EXEMPTION was offered by Mr. Garvas for its **third reading by title only.**
30 Seconded by Ms. Tulley.
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32 Mr. Garvas moved, second by Ms. Tulley, to **adopt ORD.NO. 8-2024 and post the same according to**
33 **law.** Motion carried by a majority voice vote. Councilors Brandt, Finley and Garvas voting in the
34 affirmative. Ms. Tulley voting in the negative. Mr. Ventura abstained. **ORD.NO. 8-2024 declared and**
35 **adopted.**
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37 **ORDINANCE NO. 26-2024**

38 AN ORDINANCE AMENDING ORDINANCE NO. 95-2023 RELATIVE TO CURRENT EXPENSES
39 AND OTHER EXPENDITURES OF THE CITY OF MACEDONIA FOR THE PERIOD OF JANUARY
40 1, 2024 TO DECEMBER 31, 2024 was offered by Mr. Ventura for its **second and third readings by**
41 **title only.** Seconded by Mr. Finley. The motion carried unanimously by a voice vote.
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43 Dir. Veres shared most of these changes are due to the updating of beginning balances being carried
44 forward and are higher than anticipated.
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46 Mr. Ventura moved, second by Mr. Finley, to **adopt ORD.NO. 26-2024 and post the same according to**
47 **law.** Motion carried by a majority voice vote. Councilors Brandt, Garvas, Tulley and Ventura voting in
48 the affirmative. Councilor Finley voting in the negative. **ORD.NO. 26-2024 declared and adopted.**
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50 **ORDINANCE NO. 27-2024**

51 AN ORDINANCE AMENDING SECTION 147.04 OF THE CODIFIED ORDINANCES OF THE CITY
52 OF MACEDONIA RELATIVE TO PARKS AND RECREATION COMMISSION was offered by Ms.

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53 Brandt for its **first, second and third readings by title only**. Seconded by Mr. Ventura. The motion
54 carried unanimously by a voice vote.
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56 Ms. Brandt stated the Parks and Recreation Commission requested Council to make this amendment so
57 that no one individual can be the Chair for more than two consecutive years.
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59 Ms. Brandt moved, second by Mr. Ventura, to **adopt ORD.NO. 27-2024 and post the same according**
60 **to law**. Motion carried by a unanimous voice vote. **ORD.NO. 27-2024 declared and adopted.**
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62 **ORDINANCE NO. 28-2024**

63 AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING AND DIRECTING THE MAYOR TO ENTER INTO A
64 CONTRACT WITH PRECISION CONTRACTING FOR THE “LONGWOOD PARK
65 MULTIPURPOSE FIELD EXPANSION” PROJECT AT THE MACEDONIA RECREATION CENTER
66 was offered by Ms. Tulley for its **first, second and third readings by title only**. Seconded by Mr.
67 Garvas. The motion carried unanimously by a voice vote.
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69 Dir. Chadock explained the intent is to renovate the Longwood Park north fields in the Fall of 2024, with
70 any delay due to scheduling or inclement weather pushing it to Spring 2025. The contractor chosen
71 demonstrated the ability to address drainage issues as well as the construction of new fields.
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73 Ms. Tulley moved, second by Mr. Garvas, to **adopt ORD.NO. 28-2024 and post the same according to**
74 **law**. Motion carried by a unanimous voice vote. **ORD.NO. 28-2024 declared and adopted.**
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76 **ORDINANCE NO. 29-2024**

77 AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING AND DIRECTING THE MAYOR TO ENTER INTO A
78 CONTRACT WITH INNOVATIVE SPORT SURFACING FOR THE “POOL DECK
79 REPLACEMENT” PROJECT AT THE MACEDONIA RECREATION CENTER was offered by Mr.
80 Finley for its **first, second and third readings by title only**. Seconded by Ms. Brandt. The motion
81 carried unanimously by a voice vote.
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83 Dir. Chadock reported this project is part of the planned capital program which will renovate the existing
84 pool deck in the aquatic area to coincide with the planned shutdown of the Recreation Center from May
85 27-June 9.
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87 Ms. Brandt asked how long the surface should last, to which Dir. Chadock responded the rubberized pool
88 deck has a 25-year lifespan.
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90 Mr. Finley moved, second by Ms. Brandt, to **adopt ORD.NO. 29-2024 and post the same according to**
91 **law**. Motion carried by a unanimous voice vote. **ORD.NO. 29-2024 declared and adopted.**
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93 **ORDINANCE NO. 30-2024**

94 AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO ENTER INTO A MACEDONIA OCCUPANCY
95 AND JOBS CREATION PROGRAM AGREEMENT WITH ELECTRONIC IMAGES, LLC DBA
96 DIGITAL PRINT SOLUTIONS was offered by Mr. Garvas for its **first, second and third readings by**
97 **title only**. Seconded by Ms. Tulley. The motion carried unanimously by a voice vote.
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99 The Mayor stated the MOP program is something in place to incentivize businesses to come into our
100 community.
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102 A representative of Digital Print Solutions was present and expressed excitement about coming to
103 Macedonia and commented on the growth of the business.
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105 Mr. Garvas moved, second by Ms. Tulley, to **adopt ORD.NO. 30-2024 and post the same according to**
106 **law.** Motion carried by a unanimous voice vote. **ORD.NO. 30-2024 declared and adopted.**

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108 **ORDINANCE NO. 31-2024**

109 AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING AND DIRECTING THE MAYOR TO ENTER INTO A
110 CONTRACT WITH MUNICIPAL AND CONTRACTORS SEALING PRODUCTS, INC. FOR THE
111 WALTERS ROAD CULVERT REHABILITATION PROJECT was offered by Ms. Tulley for its **first,**
112 **second and third readings by title only.** Seconded by Mr. Finley. The motion carried unanimously by
113 a voice vote.

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115 Dir. Gigliotti stated this is to award the contract for the culvert repair portion of the Walters Road project,
116 with the asphalt paving portion to be handled under a separate contract later in the summer.

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118 Ms. Tulley moved, second by Mr. Finley, to **adopt ORD.NO. 31-2024 and post the same according to**
119 **law.** Motion carried by a unanimous voice vote. **ORD.NO. 31-2024 declared and adopted.**

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121 **ORDINANCE NO. 32-2024**

122 AN ORDINANCE AMENDING SECTION 721.02 OF THE CODIFIED ORDINANCES OF THE CITY
123 OF MACEDONIA RELATIVE TO EXCESSIVE FALSE ALARMS was offered by Mr. Ventura for its
124 **first, second and third readings by title only.** Seconded by Mr. Garvas. The motion carried
125 unanimously by a voice vote.

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127 Chief Ripley shared this is housekeeping to allow the Fire Department to bill for excessive alarms, rather
128 than solely through the Police Department.

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130 Mr. Ventura moved, second by Mr. Garvas, to **adopt ORD.NO. 32-2024 and post the same according**
131 **to law.** Motion carried by a unanimous voice vote. **ORD.NO. 32-2024 declared and adopted.**

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134 **MOTIONS / OTHER LEGISLATIVE ACTION:** None

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136 **MAYOR'S REPORT**

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138 ~ Thanks to all who attended SpringFest and for staff that helped bring it to fruition. Ms. Brandt
139 also thanked Chagrin Valley Engineering for being one of the sponsors along with Raising Cane's
140 and Renewal by Andersen.

141 ~Please do not place or leave grass clippings in the road as they can cause many problems.

142 ~The trees in treelawns are the homeowner's responsibility to maintain. While the City will help
143 manage the problem if it is a safety issue, the tree and anything else therein is the homeowner's
144 responsibility.

145 ~Residents may see what are called OUPS tickets (Ohio Utilities Protection Service). These flags
146 identify utilities for when roadwork may be done. If residents have questions they can call the
147 City, but please leave them alone.

148 ~Please don't drive distracted—put the phones down and drive the car.

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151 **COMMITTEE REPORTS**

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153 **Parks & Recreation Commission:** Ms. Brandt stated the Commission met on April 17 and fine-tuned
154 the list of things they wanted done from the Future Growth Committee report, as well as other items they
155 would like to see done both in the near future and further down the road. The next meeting is May 15 at
156 6pm in the upstairs of the Recreation Center.

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DEPARTMENT REPORTS

Service Department: Director Wilson – Spring cleanup dumpsters are open to residents from 8am-5pm, even on weekends, through April 28. Brush dropoff will still be available beyond that from 7:30am-4pm. To avoid confusion, there will still be a dumpster at the Service Department location after the 28th, but that is for normal use by the Service Department. Mowing and weed eating is picking up this time of year. There was a recent retirement, which means a new person will need to be hired. The new mechanic is fully on board now. Upstairs improvements at City Hall are near completion.

Ms. Brandt thanked the Service Department staff for helping clean up around SpringFest.

Engineer: Director Gigliotti – Thanks to Council for passage of the Walters Road legislation. The Ohio Public Works Commission gave the City word that it will be receiving the \$400,000 grant it applied for repaving Ledge Road. That is scheduled to take place during the Summer of 2025.

Parks and Recreation Department: – Director Chadock – Thanks to Council for approving the multipurpose fields and pool deck contracts. Thanks to all staff and volunteers at SpringFest for their flexibility in moving things around on the fly. The food truck that was scheduled this evening had to cancel due to mechanical issues. Saturday, May 18 is Family Fishing Day and the lake at Longwood Park is stocked. SummerFest will be June 7-8. The Parks and Recreation Department has been named a Gold Medal Award finalist again in 2024.

Finance Department: Director Veres – RITA refunds are being processed. July 15 is the deadline unless you have been granted an extension.

IT Department: Director Collins – 21 help desk tickets closed since the last meeting. Major projects include buttoning up the digital sign by Wendy's.

Building Department: Absent

HR Department: Director Smith – No report

Fire Department: Chief Ripley – Hydrant flushing taking place. With the nicer weather be on the lookout for bicyclists, both old and new, especially in the neighborhoods.

Police Department: Chief Yakopovich – National Telecommunications Week was a success, and the dispatchers thank those that showed their appreciation. Noah Benza will be starting as a new patrol officer on Sunday.

Law Department: Director Guidetti – No report

UNFINISHED BUSINESS: Ms. Tulley thanked the Fire Department for fast, efficient hydrant flushing.

NEW BUSINESS: None

There being no further business, Mr. Finley moved, second by Ms. Tulley, to **adjourn the meeting**. The motion passed **unanimously** pursuant to a voice vote and the meeting was adjourned at approximately 8:00p.m.

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Attest: _____
Jon Hoover, Clerk of Council

Mayor: _____
Nicholas Molnar