

Record of Proceedings
Regular Council Meeting
February 24th, 2022

1 Presiding Officer, Mayor Nicholas Molnar called the February 24th, 2022 regular meeting to order at
2 7:27p.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** Chaplain Tom O'Brien of Nordonia Hills American
8 Legion 801.

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10 **APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

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12 Ms. Brandt moved, second by Mr. Garvas, to approve the minutes of the regular meeting of February 10,
13 2022 as received from the Clerk of Council. The motion carried unanimously by a voice vote.

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15 **PUBLIC COMMENTS:** None

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17 **CORRESPONDENCE:** None

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19 **PROCLAMATION:** The Mayor read a proclamation declaring February 24, 2022 as Nordonia Day and
20 congratulated the Nordonia Varsity Ice Hockey Team.

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22 The Nordonia High School hockey team was present and is comprised of Frankie Costello, Daniel
23 Kimpton, Josh Krysiniski, Patrick McNally, Nate Owen, Brett Rapp, Xavier Tedor, Owen Tindall, Noah
24 Vega, Jacob Waite, Kevin Waite, Ashley Zelina, Max Zuschin, and coached by Rich Cinalli with
25 Assistant Coaches Dominic Cinalli and Nick Asbury.

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27 **INTRODUCTION, READINGS & ADOPTION OF LEGISLATION**

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29 **ORDINANCE NO. 13-2022**

30 Mr. Finley moved to amend ORD.NO. 13-2022 to comport with the version provided to Council on
31 Tuesday, February 22, 2022. Seconded by Ms. Brandt. The motion carried unanimously by a voice
32 vote.

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34 AN ORDINANCE PROVIDING FOR SUBMISSION TO THE ELECTORS OF THE CITY OF
35 MACEDONIA A PROPOSED AMENDMENT TO SECTIONS 4.06 AND 4.07, AND THE PROPOSED
36 CREATION OF SECTION 4.15, OF THE CITY'S CHARTER RELATIVE TO MEETINGS OF
37 PUBLIC BODIES OF THE MUNICIPALITY was offered by Mr. Finley for second and third reading
38 by title only. Seconded by Ms. Brandt.

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40 Ms. Brandt stated this version of the charter amendment legislation is a continuance of the discussion that
41 began at the previous Council meeting. With this version, it was decided to also allow other public
42 bodies of the City to call virtual meetings in the event of public health or weather emergencies and only
43 require at least two-thirds of the public body to assent rather than a unanimous decision. This ordinance
44 does not make the charter amendment itself as Council does not have that authority. By passing this
45 ordinance, the charter amendment can be placed on the May 3 primary ballot and the residents vote on
46 whether or not to approve it.

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48 Mr. Finley moved, second by Ms. Brandt, to adopt ORD.NO. 13-2022 and post the same according to
49 law. Motion carried unanimously by a voice vote. ORD.NO. 13-2022 declared and adopted.

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51 **ORDINANCE NO. 14-2022**

52 AN EMERGENCY ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO RENEW THE CONTRACT
53 WITH THE OHIO MUNICIPAL JOINT SELF INSURANCE POOL FOR LIABILITY COVERAGE

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54 FOR THE THIRD YEAR OF THE THREE-YEAR CONTRACT BEGINNING APRIL 1, 2022 was
55 offered by Ms. Tulley for **first, second and third reading by title only**. Seconded by Mr. Ventura. The
56 motion carried unanimously by a voice vote.

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58 The Mayor explained this legislation is for the insurance of the City, and there is a 7% increase. The
59 vendor is a local business with whom the City has had positive dealings and wishes to carry that on into
60 the future.

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62 Ms. Tulley moved, second by Mr. Ventura, to adopt **ORD.NO. 14-2022** and post the same according
63 to law. Motion carried unanimously by a voice vote. **ORD.NO. 14-2022** declared and adopted.

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65 **ORDINANCE NO. 15-2022**

66 AN ORDINANCE AMENDING ORDINANCE NO. 67-2021 RELATIVE TO CURRENT EXPENSES
67 AND OTHER EXPENDITURES OF THE CITY OF MACEDONIA FOR THE PERIOD OF JANUARY
68 1, 2022 TO DECEMBER 31, 2022 was offered by Mr. Garvas for **first, second and third reading by**
69 **title only**. Seconded by Ms. Brandt. The motion carried unanimously by a voice vote.

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71 Dir. Veres stated this ordinance is the first amendment of the year. One of the major highlights is the
72 application of \$500,000 of the local fiscal recovery money received in 2021 towards repairing and/or
73 replacing the HVAC at the Family Recreation Center, and an additional \$150,000 towards HVAC repairs
74 at the City Center.

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76 Mr. Garvas moved, second by Ms. Brandt, to adopt **ORD.NO. 15-2022** and post the same according to
77 law. Motion carried by a majority voice vote. Councilors Brandt, Garvas, Tulley and Ventura voting in
78 the affirmative. Councilor Finley in the negative. **ORD.NO. 15-2022** declared and adopted.

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80 **ORDINANCE NO. 16-2022**

81 AN ORDINANCE APPROVING THE EDITING AND INCLUSION OF CERTAIN ORDINANCES AS
82 PARTS OF THE VARIOUS COMPONENT CODES OF THE CODIFIED ORDINANCES OF
83 MACEDONIA was offered by Mr. Ventura for **first, second and third reading by title only**. Seconded
84 by Mr. Finley. The motion carried unanimously by a voice vote.

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86 Dir. Guidetti explained this ordinance is similar to one passed earlier in the year at a previous Council
87 meeting. It incorporates all State law changes from the prior year where necessary into the local code.

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89 Mr. Ventura moved, second by Mr. Finley, to adopt **ORD.NO. 16-2022** and post the same according to
90 law. Motion carried by a majority voice vote. Councilors Brandt, Garvas, Tulley and Ventura voting in
91 the affirmative. Councilor Finley in the negative. **ORD.NO. 16-2022** declared and adopted.

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93 **RESOLUTION NO. 17-2022**

94 A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE CITY ADMINISTRATION TO PREPARE PLANS, BIDS
95 AND SPECIFICATIONS, AND FURTHER AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO ADVERTISE FOR
96 BIDS, FOR THE PROCUREMENT OF A BUS FOR COMMUNITY TRANSPORTATION was offered
97 by Ms. Brandt for **first, second and third reading by title only**. Seconded by Ms. Tulley. The motion
98 carried unanimously by a voice vote.

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100 The Mayor stated that this is the next step in the process to go out to bid for a bus, which will primarily be
101 used for seniors. This has been requested for a long time and is finally coming to fruition. While the
102 hope is for the process to move along quickly, one never knows with the current state of supply and
103 demand what is going to happen. The Mayor vows to keep looking and find something.

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105 Ms. Brandt moved, second by Ms. Tulley, to adopt **RES.NO. 17-2022** and post the same according to
106 law. Motion carried unanimously by a voice vote. **RES.NO. 17-2022** declared and adopted.

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110 **MOTIONS / OTHER LEGISLATIVE ACTION:**

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112 Mr. Ventura moved, second by Mr. Garvas to accept the following donations:

113 ~Donations in the amount of \$2,400 from Plastic Process Equipment, Inc., \$1,200 of which is to be used
114 for the City Police Department purposes, and \$1,200 of which is to be used for Fire Department purposes

115 ~Donation in the amount of \$250 from Alexis Johnston which is to be used for City Police Department
116 purposes.

117 Motions carried unanimously by a voice vote.

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119 **MAYOR'S REPORT**

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121 -The Mayor requested a moment of silence to pray for Ukraine, our country and world
122 leaders as peace today in Europe was shattered.

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COMMITTEE REPORTS

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126 **Parks & Recreation Commission** Ms. Brandt reported the Parks & Recreation Commission met last
127 week and discussed the beginning stages of the trails project. The Parks & Recreation Department, along
128 with Dir. Gigliotti, have been discussing the best way to spend the annual \$100,000 allocation over the
129 next five years for trails all throughout Longwood Park. The Commission had been considering options
130 for some time, and it is exciting to see it finally start to happen. The next meeting will be Wednesday,
131 March 16 at 6pm in the activity room of the Recreation Center.

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133 **JEDD** Mr. Ventura reminded everyone that the JEDD Board will be meeting on Thursday, March 3 at
134 6:30pm in Council Chambers.

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DEPARTMENT REPORTS

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139 **Service Department:** Interim Director Dzurnak – The Service Department has been busy picking up litter
140 now that the snow has mostly melted away. Compilation of a list for Spring restorations has begun.
141 Residents can report potholes on the City website.

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143 **Engineer:** Director Gigliotti- Absent

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145 **Parks and Recreation Department:** Director Chadock – Thanks to the Service Department for the
146 amazing job they do in keeping the Recreation Center parking lot and City streets clear of ice and snow.
147 Members have provided positive feedback to their efforts. Thanks to Council for passing Ord. 11-2022 at
148 the previous meeting that created the customer service specialist positions. One of the positions has
149 already been filled in-house by Sam Clark, and the remaining position is still posted with the interview
150 process beginning next week. The Recreation Supervisor of Facilities and Membership has been filled by
151 Kristen Liggett, who started this week. The Mactivity guide will be coming out next month, with the
152 online version releasing the second week of March, and the printed version in the middle of March. All
153 Summer and some Fall programming will be included in it. A direct mailer will be sent to all homes in
154 Macedonia. The online version is highly encouraged in order to limit the amount of printed materials,
155 with the long-term intent to be print-free.

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157 **Finance Department:** Director Veres – Reminder to the residents that the RITA tax refund deadline is
158 July 15. March 4 will mark Dir. Veres three-year anniversary of serving the community, and he stated he
159 has thoroughly enjoyed it and looks forward to his next three years.

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161 **Fire Department:** Chief Ripley – Echoes the comments of Dir. Chadock lauding the Service
162 Department’s job of keeping the streets clear of ice and snow.

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164 **Police Department:** Chief Golden – The Police Department is looking forward to getting new carpeting
165 and paint as the current versions of each are over 25 years old. Quotes for paint and carpeting are coming
166 and might arrive as soon as next week.

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168 **HR Department:** Director Smith – Absent

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170 **Building Department:** Commissioner Rodic updated Council on recent projects including: Panda
171 Express has all approvals in place to build at Golden Link, probably as soon as weather permits. Target
172 will be doing a \$2.4 million interior modification. Optima Dermatology has gotten underway and started
173 utility work. Wayback Burgers will probably open in the next 45-60 days. Burlington Phase I
174 renovations have begun. Preparing to issue a permit for Sephora that will be part of an interior renovation
175 at Kohl’s. Peak Nano is about 50% complete on Phase I. Spruce Hill Crossings Phase III will begin
176 work on Monday (2/28). Don Basch Jewelers will come before the Board of Zoning Appeals in March.

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178 **IT Department:** Director Collins – Major project highlights include: hardware upgrade for Police
179 Department computers, deploying new printers, and procuring new tablets for use in Police vehicles.

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181 **Law Department:** Director Guidetti – A development is in place with Spruce Hill Crossing Phase III to
182 help alleviate any construction issues during that phase. The City was involved in a lawsuit filed by one
183 of the contractors on a water main project over a disagreement on the amount owed. A settlement was
184 reached for the amount the City originally had proposed as the fair amount, resulting in no additional
185 expenses.

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188 **UNFINISHED BUSINESS:** None

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191 **NEW BUSINESS:**

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193 Ms. Tulley thanked Roy and Gayle Gardiner for being instrumental in the founding of the Nordonia high
194 school hockey team.

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196 Ms. Brandt wished Bart Benjamin a Happy 80th Birthday.

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198 Ms. Brandt moved, second by Mr. Ventura, to enter into executive session pursuant to R.C. 121.22(G)(2)
199 to consider the purchase of property for public purposes.

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201 Roll call: Ayes: Ms. Brandt, Mr. Finley, Mr. Garvas, Ms. Tulley, Mr. Ventura

202 Nays: None

203 The motion carried unanimously.

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205 At 8:15p.m. Council reconvened into its regular meeting.

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207 There being no further business, Ms. Tulley moved, second by Mr. Finley, to adjourn the meeting. The
208 motion passed unanimously pursuant to a voice vote and the meeting was adjourned at approximately
209 8:15p.m.

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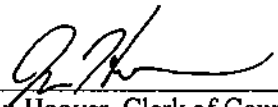
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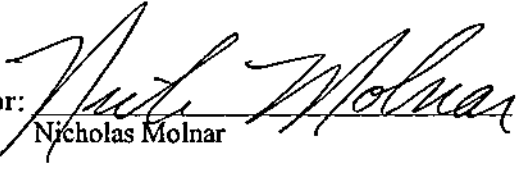
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Attest: 
Jon Hoover, Clerk of Council

Mayor: 
Nicholas Molnar