

MINUTES OF COUNCIL

A regular session of Troy City Council was held on Tuesday, February 20, 2024 at 7:00 p.m. in Council Chambers, City Hall.

Members Attending: Marshall, Phillips, Schilling, Severt, Snee, Twiss, Westfall and Whidden.

Upon motion of Mr. Severt, seconded by Mr. Twiss, Mr. Pierce was excused from this meeting by unanimous roll call vote.

Presiding Officer: William G. Rozell President of Council

Others Present: Robin I. Oda Mayor
Patrick E. J. Titterington Director of Public Service and Safety
Grant D. Kerber Director of Law

INVOCATION & PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE: An invocation was given by Council President Rozell, followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

MINUTES: The Clerk gave a summary of the minutes of the February 5, 2024, meeting of Troy City Council. There were no corrections or additions to these minutes. Upon motion of Mr. Phillips, seconded by Mr. Twiss, these minutes were approved by unanimous roll call vote.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Community Partnerships Committee: Mrs. Marshall, Chairman, reported that Committee recommends legislation be prepared amending Chapter 135 of the Codified Ordinances, regarding the Human Relations Commission (HRC). The amendments reflect the operating guidelines adopted by the HRC regarding membership and duties. Report submitted by Severt, Twiss and Marshall.

Finance Committee: Mr. Severt, Chairman, reported that Committee supports the recommendation of the Loan Review Committee and recommends legislation be prepared amending the CDBG Economic Development Revolving Loan made to Speakeasy Ramen, LLC in 2022 to release Hayato Minami from the loan obligations as he has sold his interest in the business to Kimberly Frazier, and to require a personal guarantee on said loan from Kimberly Frazier. Report submitted by Schilling, Westfall and Severt.

Recreation and Parks Committee: Mrs. Westfall, Chairman, reported as follows:

1) Committee recommends legislation be prepared authorizing the Board of Park Commissioners to advertise for bids and enter into a contract for the North Market Street Girls' Softball Field Lighting Replacement Project at a cost not to exceed \$175,000.

2) Committee recommends legislation be prepared authorizing proceeding with the Park Maintenance Building Project using the Ohio Revised Code Design-Build process, that notification of the project will be by placing a legal ad, placing a notice on the City's website, providing notice to professional publications, and providing notice to design-build firms with which the City has prior experience, and that the Director of Public Service and Safety is authorized to advertise for proposals for the project.

Reports submitted by Marshall, Whidden and Westfall.

Streets & Sidewalks Committee: Mr. Phillips, Chairman, reported that Committee recommends legislation be prepared authorizing the Director of Public Service and Safety to advertise for bids and enter into a contract for the 2024 Paving Program at a cost not to exceed \$1,500,000.

Report submitted by Schilling, Westfall and Phillips.

Personnel Committee: Mrs. Snee, Chairman, gave oral reports as follows:

1. A motion was made by Mrs. Snee, seconded by Mr. Severt, that Council consents to the request of Mayor Oda for the appointment of Josh Lephart for a four-year term on the Economic Development Revolving Loan Fund effective immediately through December 31, 2027. Mr. Lephart will have the committee position formerly held by Richard Bender. Motion approved by unanimous roll call vote.

2. A motion was made by Mrs. Snee, seconded by Mr. Phillips, that Council consents to the request of Mayor Oda for the appointment of Heath Murray to the Community Improvement Corporation for a term for the year 2024. Mr. Murray would have the board position formerly held by William Lukens. Motion approved by unanimous roll call vote.

3. A motion was made by Mrs. Snee, seconded by Mr. Phillips, that Council consents to the request of Mayor Oda for the appointment of Gary Stanley to the Board of Zoning Appeals to fulfil the unexpired term of Anthony Smith, for a term commencing immediately through December 31, 2026. Motion approved by unanimous roll call vote.

CITIZEN COMMENT ON AGENDA ITEMS: None.

RESOLUTION NO. R-8-2024

RESOLUTION RELEASING PERSONAL GUARANTEE OF HAYATO MINAMI FROM THE CDBG ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT REVOLVING LOAN TO SPEAKEASY RAMEN, LLC AND ACCEPT THE DIRECT GUARANTY AGREEMENT OF KIMBERLY A. FRAZIER ON THE CDBG ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT REVOLVING LOAN TO SPEAKEASY RAMEN, LLC

This Resolution was given first title reading.

Mr. Severt moved for suspension of rules requiring three readings. Motion seconded by Mr. Schilling.

Yes: Severt, Marshall, Schilling, Whidden, Snee, Phillips, Twiss and Westfall.

No: None.

Mr. Twiss moved for adoption. Motion seconded by Mr. Whidden.

Yes: Marshall, Schilling, Whidden, Snee, Phillips, Twiss, Westfall and Severt.

No: None.

RESOLUTION ADOPTED

RESOLUTION NO. R-9-2024

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE BOARD OF PARK COMMISSIONERS OF THE CITY OF TROY, OHIO TO ADVERTISE FOR BIDS AND ENTER INTO A CONTRACT FOR THE NORTH MARKET STREET GIRLS' SOFTBALL FIELD LIGHTING REPLACEMENT PROJECT

This Resolution was given first title reading.

Mr. Whidden moved for suspension of rules requiring three readings. Motion seconded by Mr. Phillips.

Yes: Schilling, Whidden, Snee, Phillips, Twiss, Westfall, Severt and Marshall.

No: None.

Mr. Whidden moved for adoption. Motion seconded by Mr. Phillips.

Yes: Whidden, Snee, Phillips, Twiss, Westfall, Severt, Marshall and Schilling.

No: None.

RESOLUTION ADOPTED

RESOLUTION NO. R-10-2024

RESOLUTION TO PROCEED WITH THE PARK MAINTENANCE BUILDING PROJECT, AUTHORIZING THE DIRECTOR OF PUBLIC SERVICE AND SAFETY TO ADVERTISE FOR PROPOSALS FOR THE PROJECT, AND DETERMINING THE NOTIFICATION PROCESS FOR THE PROJECT

This Resolution was given first title reading.

Mr. Phillips moved for suspension of rules requiring three readings. Motion seconded by Mr. Whidden.

Yes: Snee, Phillips, Twiss, Westfall, Severt, Marshall, Schilling and Whidden.

No: None.

Mr. Phillips moved for adoption. Motion seconded by Mr. Severt.

Yes: Phillips, Twiss, Westfall, Severt, Marshall, Schilling, Whidden and Snee.

No: None.

RESOLUTION ADOPTED

RESOLUTION NO. R-11-2024

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE DIRECTOR OF PUBLIC SERVICE AND SAFETY OF THE CITY OF TROY, OHIO TO ADVERTISE FOR BIDS AND ENTER INTO A CONTRACT FOR THE 2024 PAVING PROGRAM

This Resolution was given first title reading.

Mr. Severt moved for suspension of rules requiring three readings. Motion seconded by Mr. Phillips.

Yes: Twiss, Westfall, Severt, Marshall, Schilling, Whidden, Snee and Phillips.

No: None.

Mr. Severt moved for adoption. Motion seconded by Mr. Schilling.

Yes: Westfall, Severt, Marshall, Schilling, Whidden, Snee, Phillips and Twiss.

No: None.

RESOLUTION ADOPTED

RESOLUTION IN MEMORIAM – WILLIAM F. LOHRER, 1939-2024

Mr. Lohrer served as a member of Council from 1994 through 1997 and President of Council from 1998 through 2007.

Upon motion of Mr. Phillips, seconded by Mr. Twiss, the Resolution in Memoriam was approved by unanimous roll call vote.

ORDINANCE NO. O-5-2024

ORDINANCE REPEALING CHAPTER 135 OF THE CODIFIED ORDINANCES OF THE CITY OF TROY, OHIO AND ENACTING NEW CHAPTER 135 OF THE CODIFIED ORDINANCES OF THE CITY OF TROY, OHIO REGARDING THE HUMAN RELATIONS COMMISSION

This Ordinance was given first title reading.

Mr. Severt moved for suspension of rules requiring three readings. Motion seconded by Mr. Schilling.

Yes: Marshall, Schilling, Whidden, Snee, Phillips, Twiss, Westfall and Severt.

No: None.

Mr. Phillips moved for adoption. Motion seconded by Mr. Severt.

Yes: Schilling, Whidden, Snee, Phillips, Twiss, Westfall, Severt and Marshall.

No: None.

ORDINANCE ADOPTED

COMMENTS OF THE DIRECTOR OF PUBLIC SERVICE AND SAFETY: Mr. Titterington noted that the Dye Mill Road Facility will open for the season on March 18.

COUNCIL COMMENTS:

-Mr. Schilling commended Police Officer Steffano for the professional manner in which he handled an accident over the past weekend.

-Mr. Phillips and Mr. Severt commented regarding William Lohrer's leadership on Council and his love for the City and its citizens.

COUNCIL PRESIDENT COMMENTS: Mr. Rozell complimented City crews for their response to and handling a snow event on February 16.

AUDIENCE COMMENTS:

Elizabeth Shin, 221 W. Franklin Street, on behalf of Troy Historic Preservation Alliance (THPA), provided an update on the IOOF Building stabilization project, commenting that a building permit has been received; activity at the building will be seen starting February 21; THPA has entered into a contract with Level MB to complete the project; 84% of \$750,000 goal has been raised or committed; the old Courthouse portion of the building will be repaired; THPA will have a report documenting their financial ability to make repairs as required by the settlement agreement; and other fundraising continues.

There being no further business, Council adjourned at 7:32 p.m.

Clerk of Council

President of Council