

City of Bay Village

Council Minutes, Regular Meeting
Council Chambers; augmented by Zoom.
President of Council, Dwight A. Clark, presiding

October 16, 2023
7:55 p.m.

President of Council Clark called the meeting to order at 7:55 p.m. with roll call and the Pledge of Allegiance led by Peter J. Winzig, Councilman, Ward 4.

Present: Dwight A. Clark, President of Council.
David L. Tadych, Vice President of Council, Councilman, Ward 1.
Lydia DeGeorge, Councilwoman, Ward 2.
Michael Greco, Councilman, Ward 3.
Peter J. Winzig, Councilman, Ward 4.
Sara Byrnes Maier, Council-at-large.
Thomas J. Kelly, Council-at-large.
Mayor Koomar.

Also Present: Law Director Barbour, Finance Director Mahoney, Police Chief Gillespie, Director of Community Services Messeri, Director of Public Service and Properties Liskovec, Building Director Tuck-Macalla, Clerk of Council Kemper. Fire Chief Lyons on Zoom.

AUDIENCE

Dave Florez, Dan Rettig. Samantha Illius on Zoom.

Motion by Tadych to dispense with the reading and approve the minutes of the Regular Meeting of Council held October 2, 2023 as prepared and distributed.

Motion carried 5-0-2 abstentions. (Mr. Clark and Mr. Kelly)

Motion by Tadych to dispense with the reading and approve the minutes of the Cahoon Memorial Park Trustees Meeting of Council held October 2, 2023, as prepared and distributed.

Motion carried 6-0-2 abstentions (Mr. Clark and Mr. Kelly)

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Mayor Koomar reported that when in Columbus last week he had an opportunity to speak with the Ohio Lieutenant Governor about some of the lakefront planning in Bay Village. He noted that it is always good to plant some seeds and continue to work with the county, state, and state capital budget this year to see if we can follow up on the engineering we are doing and get some capital dollars for the first phase in Bay Village.

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Mr. Clark stated that the initial funding received is \$1.2 million through the American Rescue Plan (ARPA) which will be applied to design and engineering work.

Mayor Koomar stated that would be for the study of the wave action of the lakefront and additional surveying for the full lakefront, and a concentrated focus on Cahoon Creek west to the property line of Metroparks Huntington Reservation. The estimate with contingencies for that first phase of Bay Point is about \$7 million and a 25% contingency at this point. Project Manager Kerber had secured a Clean Ohio Trails Fund grant for \$500,000, and another \$500,000 will be applied for that project. There are not many grants for earth moving so at some point there will be help needed if that project is to become a reality. This will make a meaningful difference in a good trailhead and start to take care of part of the erosion. One of the larger trees has just fallen off into the lake from erosion. Smith Group estimates that we probably lost 20 to 25 feet of shoreline in the last 45 years. Part of the project was always to provide access, but at the same time prevent erosion and maintain Cahoon Park as we know it.

Director of Law Barbour stated that House Bill 33 passed this year by the Ohio Legislature mandates language change to our municipal income tax code, which is Codified Ordinance No. 182. This was discussed in the Finance Committee meeting this evening. Almost all of the changes are procedural and not substantive. An ordinance will be prepared for the Council meeting of November 6 for consideration and discussion. The changes are required; a template has been provided with the changes from the Regional Income Tax Agency (R.I.T.A.) and those will be incorporated into our current ordinance. This will need to be adopted by the end of the year and sent to R.I.T.A.

Finance Director Mahoney advised that she has been working on compiling the 2024 Operating Budget for the City of Bay Village and has met with all department directors this week. Mrs. Mahoney will meet with Mayor Koomar in this regard next week. Budget books will be prepared and sent to Council.

Director of Public Service and Properties Liskovec reported the following on behalf of the Service Department:

- Loops have been installed at the Cahoon/Wolf intersection, timing has been restored and there is some final verification on the turn-arrow coordination to be done. All is moving in a positive direction at that intersection.
- Finalized striping is being awaited for the Safe Routes to Schools intersections. The project is weather dependent.
- The Play-in-Bay parking lot project has been delayed due to weather.
- Republic Waste discussions are moving forward in a positive direction. As of the end of last week, the Republic Waste representative plans on making a presentation to the administration on October 24.
- Monday, October 23 marks the beginning of leaf collection season.

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Mr. Clark asked if a committee date has been set for the Republic Waste contract discussion.

Mr. Barbour stated that a meeting has been set for October 24 with Republic Waste officials for review, and anytime after that, including the evening of October 24, would be suitable for a Services, Utilities and Equipment meeting of Council. Councilman Greco, Chairman of the committee will coordinate with Service Director Liskovec and Law Director Barbour.

Director of Community Services Messeri reminded everyone that as of October 15, Medicare started open enrollment which will run through December 7. Counsellors from Ohio Senior Health Insurance Information Program will be onsite at the Dwyer Memorial Center starting on November 1 from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. to review insurance and answer questions about Medicare. Appointments are necessary and can be made by calling the Dwyer Memorial Center.

High School students are back onboard to counsel seniors with technology for use of their cell phones, laptops and tablets. They are present at the Dwyer Memorial Center on the first and third Thursday of each month from 12:45 p.m. to 1:30 p.m. during months when schools are in session to offer assistance.

The Bay Food Ministry provides a program for those in need for food, working with the Cleveland Food Bank. People are asked to donate food by dropping food off at the Dwyer Memorial Center or the Bay Presbyterian Church, or call for pick-up of donations. Check expiration dates on food to be donated to be sure everything is still consumable. Dry, non-perishable food is top on the list for donation. Further information regarding donations can be obtained by calling the Bay Presbyterian Church, or Director Messeri at 440-899-3409.

Mr. Clark noted that Assistant Director of Community Services Connie Lupica has been very helpful in compiling a list of those who need leaf raking by the Bay Men's Club at their day of service on November 18, 2023. Ms. Messeri stated that the number of those needing leaf raking has increased from last year. Volunteers, in addition to the Bay Men's Club, include students, Boy Scouts, and the Bay Women's Club. The program is full and a wait list has been established.

The final date for application for snow removal by the Snow Angels was Friday, October 13, 2023, with the program now filled to capacity with a wait list established.

Mr. Clark asked if it is possible for the leaf raking volunteers to report back as to the properties serviced to avoid arriving at properties finding that the leaves have already been raked. Ms. Messeri suggested that someone in the group of rakers drive ahead to confirm that the leaf raking still needs to be done on a property listed for service.

Fire Chief Lyons, on Zoom, stated that he has reached out to Steve Ernst from the fireworks company for the Fourth of July fireworks display. Mr. Ernst will send the details of the plan and prices for the display which Fire Chief Lyons will pass on to City Council.

The fire station renovation process continues with the committee meeting last week to discuss the details of the Construction Manager at Risk proposal process. The language has been compiled with the assistance of Law Director Barbour. Project Manager Spaetzle will send out

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the details very shortly. Mayor Koomar stated that the goal is to present a Construction Manager at Risk recommendation to Council in December of 2023.

Building Director Tuck-Macalla reported that the plans for renovations to the former PNC Bank Building on Dover Center Road, purchased by Dr. Kelly, have been presented to the plans examiner.

Plans for two new homes are in the process of being reviewed. One of the homes is in the Sunset Drive area and will be presented to the Board of Zoning Appeals on Thursday, October 19 for setback variances. Another home on Osborn Road is undergoing site plan review.

Mr. Tadych asked if sewer lines for a newly built home are inspected prior to connection for clearance to the street.

Building Director Tuck-Macalla stated that the property owners are required to camera the lines to the street and provide videos to the Building Department. Everything from the right-of-way, which is the sidewalk, back to the house is brand new so they are not connecting to old sewer material. From the sidewalk out to the street is videoed by the contractor.

Police Chief Gillespie advised that the Guns to Gardens program reviewed this evening at the Council Committee Session will be held on the same day as the Drug Take-Back Day on October 28, 2023. The Guns to Gardens program will be held from 10 a.m. to 12 p.m. at St. Barnabas Church on Bradley Road. The Drug Take-Back Day will be from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. at the Bay Village Police Station.

The annual Walk-for-Amy, a traditional annual event in Bay Village, will kick-off on Friday, October 28 at 5 p.m. from the Bay Middle School. Chief Gillespie emphasized the importance of this event to the Bay Village community.

AUDIENCE

There were no comments from the audience this evening.

COMMUNICATIONS

On behalf of City Council, Clerk of Council Joan Kemper expressed congratulations to President of Council Dwight A. Clark upon his retirement from the banking industry after serving for 44 years.

COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE

ENVIRONMENT, SAFETY, & COMMUNITY SERVICES COMMITTEE- Kelly, Tadych, Maier.

Motion by Mr. Kelly to confirm the reappointment of Carryeanne Smitley to the Community Services Advisory Board for a three-year term expiring November 2, 2026.

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Motion carried 7-0.

FINANCE AND CLAIMS COMMITTEE -Tadych, Winzig, Kelly, Clark.

Motion by Tadych to acknowledge receipt of the September 2023 Financial Reports of the City of Bay Village as prepared by Finance Director Renee Mahoney.

Motion carried 7-0.

Mr. Tadych introduced and read, by title only, **Ordinance 23-106** authorizing the Mayor to enter into a one-year contract with the Jefferson Health Plan to provide administrative services for the City's Health and Hospitalization Plan, and declaring an emergency.

Mr. Barbour announced that Ordinance No. 23-106 is placed on first reading.

PLANNING, ZONING, PUBLIC BUILDINGS AND GROUNDS COMMITTEE -Winzig, DeGeorge, Greco.

Mr. Winzig had no report this evening.

PUBLIC IMPROVEMENTS/STREETS/SEWERS/DRAINAGE COMMITTEE - DeGeorge, Kelly, Winzig.

Ms. DeGeorge introduced and read, by title only, **Ordinance 23-107** authorizing an agreement with Nerone & Sons, Inc. for the Sanitary Sewer Air Release Repair, and declaring an emergency, and moved for adoption.

There being no further discussion, Mr. Clark called for a vote on the motion for adoption of Ordinance No. 23-107.

Roll call on Suspension of Charter Rules:

Yeas- Clark, DeGeorge, Greco, Maier, Kelly, Tadych, Winzig.

Nays – None.

Roll call on Suspension of Council Rules:

Yeas- Clark, DeGeorge, Greco, Maier, Kelly, Tadych, Winzig.

Nays – None.

Roll call on Inclusion of the Emergency Clause:

Yeas- Clark, DeGeorge, Greco, Kelly, Maier, Tadych, Winzig.

Nays – None.

Roll call on Adoption:

Yeas- Clark, DeGeorge, Greco, Kelly, Maier, Tadych, Winzig.

Nays- None.

Mr. Barbour announced adoption of Ordinance No. 23-107, an emergency measure, by a vote of 7-0.

RECREATION AND PARK IMPROVEMENTS COMMITTEE –Maier, Greco, Tadych.

Ms. Maier introduced and read, by title only, **Ordinance 23-108** authorizing an agreement with Protect-A-Cote, Inc. for the construction of the East Interurban Connector Trail, and declaring an emergency.

There being no further discussion, Mr. Clark called for a vote on the motion for adoption of Ordinance No. 23-107.

Roll call on Suspension of Charter Rules:

Yeas- DeGeorge, Greco, Maier, Kelly, Tadych, Winzig, Clark.

Nays – None.

Roll call on Suspension of Council Rules:

Yeas- DeGeorge, Greco, Maier, Kelly, Tadych, Winzig, Clark.

Nays – None.

Roll call on Inclusion of the Emergency Clause:

Yeas- DeGeorge, Greco, Kelly, Maier, Tadych, Winzig, Clark.

Nays – None.

Roll call on Adoption:

Yeas- DeGeorge, Greco, Kelly, Maier, Tadych, Winzig, Clark.

Nays- None.

Mr. Barbour announced adoption of Ordinance No. 23-108, an emergency measure, by a vote of 7-0.

SERVICES, UTILITIES & EQUIPMENT COMMITTEE –M. Greco, Maier, DeGeorge.

Mr. Greco introduced and read, by title only, **Ordinance 23-109** authorizing the Mayor to enter into an agreement with EMC IT Solutions for Network Support, and declaring an emergency. (First Reading)

Mr. Barbour announced that Ordinance No. 23-109 is placed on first reading.

MISCELLANEOUS

Mr. Tadych advised that he received a telephone call from Bruce Farkas at the Signature Sign Company today at 2:12 p.m. advising that the Bay Village sculptured sign will be in place on the 27th of this month.

Mayor Koomar asked that if he has been in contact with Director of Public Service Liskovec.

Mr. Tadych stated that he has been in contact with Mr. Liskovec and they have been working on this. The sign company was working on this since four months ago and were delayed due to health problems.

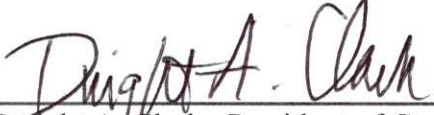
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Mr. Clark noted that Cahoon Memorial Park Trustees approval is in place for the sign.


Mr. Tadych stated that he anticipates a ceremony in the spring when the weather is more kind.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to discuss this evening, the meeting adjourned at 8:18 p.m.



Dwight A. Clark, President of Council



Joan T. Kemper, Clerk of Council