

CITY COUNCIL

June 17, 2024

The June 17, 2024 City Council meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m. in Council Chambers by Aaron Korte, President Pro-Tem. A moment of silence was observed followed by the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America. City Council members present were John Walker, Kenneth Wessler, Aaron Korte, Julia Lemire, and Scott Moore. Kate Niederkohr and Tom Karcher were absent.

Others present included: Kyle McColly, Mayor; Ben Buckland, Law Director; Jesse Cano, Superior Energy Solutions; Brittney Walton, Wyandot County Chamber of Commerce; Jim Stauffer; Lonnie McMillan, Daily Chief Union; and Sarah Bennett, Clerk.

The minutes of the June 3, 2024 City Council meeting, having been mailed to each City Council member, were approved as received.

The minutes of the June 3, 2024 Safety Committee meeting, having been mailed to each City Council member, were reviewed.

The minutes of the June 3, 2024 Service Committee meeting, having been mailed to each City Council member, were reviewed.

The minutes of the June 3, 2024 Planning Committee meeting, having been mailed to each City Council member, were reviewed.

The minutes of the June 10, 2024 Park Board meeting, having been mailed to each City Council member, were reviewed.

The minutes of the June 10, 2024 Downtown Committee meeting, having been mailed to each City Council member, were reviewed.

The minutes of the June 13, 2024 Board of Zoning Appeals hearing, having been mailed to each City Council member, were reviewed.

Mr. Jesse Cano, Energy Advisor for Superior Energy Solutions, addressed City Council indicating that Superior Energy Solutions is a solar provider based in out of Clyde, Ohio that has been in business for fifteen (15) years since 2009. Mr. Cano stated that they provide solar for commercial, residential, schools, and agricultural customers, and incentives for these customers include a buy back of electric from the power company. Mr. Cano indicated that he is currently offering a free consultation for a site. City Council members thanked Mr. Cano for the information provided.

A motion was made by Mr. Walker, seconded by Mr. Wessler, to place Ordinance No. 232-13 entitled, "AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR OF THE CITY OF UPPER SANDUSKY TO EXECUTE ALL DOCUMENTATION REQUIRED TO RECEIVE GRANT FUNDING FROM THE STATE OF OHIO, DEPARTMENT OF DEVELOPMENT FOR THE UPPER SANDUSKY INTERCEPTOR SEWER AND COMBINED SEWER OVERFLOW REDUCTION/ELIMINATION PROJECT, AND DECLARING THIS ACT AN EMERGENCY.", on its first reading by title only. Upon Roll Call, all members voted Yes; the President Pro-Tem declared the motion carried. The Clerk read Ordinance No. 232-13 for the first time by title only.

A motion was made by Mr. Wessler, seconded by Mrs. Lemire, to suspend the rules of the Municipal Charter calling for separate readings on different days. Upon Roll Call, all members voted Yes. The President Pro-Tem declared the motion carried.

A motion was made by Mr. Moore, seconded by Mrs. Lemire, to place Ordinance No. 232-13 on its second reading by title only. Upon Roll Call, all members voted Yes; the President Pro-Tem declared the motion carried. The Clerk read Ordinance No. 232-13 for the second time by title only.

A motion was made by Mr. Walker, seconded by Mr. Moore, for the adoption of Ordinance No. 232-13. Upon Roll Call, all members voted Yes. The President Pro-Tem declared the motion carried and Ordinance No. 232-13 was duly adopted.

A motion was made by Mrs. Lemire, seconded by Mr. Moore, to place Ordinance No. 233-13 entitled, "AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 727 OF THE CODIFIED ORDINANCES OF THE CITY OF UPPER SANDUSKY, OHIO TO AUTHORIZE AND REGULATE MOBILE FOOD VENDORS OPERATING WITHIN THE CITY, AND DECLARING THIS ACT AN EMERGENCY.", on its first reading by title only. Upon Roll Call, all members voted Yes; the President Pro-Tem declared the motion carried. The Clerk read Ordinance No. 233-13 for the first time by title only.

A motion was made by Mrs. Lemire, seconded by Mr. Korte, to place Ordinance No. 234-13 entitled, "AN ORDINANCE AMENDING ORDINANCE NOS. 195-11, 38-12, 44-12, AND 118-12, ESTABLISHING NEW RATES FOR WATER SERVICES.", on its first reading by title only. Upon Roll Call, all members voted Yes; the President Pro-Tem declared the motion carried. The Clerk read Ordinance No. 234-13 for the first time by title only.

Mayor McColly stated that there is no Park Board meeting scheduled to address this question so he inquired with City Council about the possibility of allowing free pool days this week due to the extreme heat being experienced. Mrs. Lemire added that she would like to see extended hours for the pool during this time. Mr. Buckland stated that pursuant to the City's Charter, the Park Board would have to vote to allow free pool days.

A motion was made by Mr. Wessler, seconded by Mr. Moore, to recommend to the Park Board to not charge for daily admission to the swimming pool this week due to the extreme heat. Upon Roll Call, all members voted Yes. The President Pro-Tem declared the motion carried.

Mrs. Lemire inquired about plans for future City projects including a new swimming pool in Harrison Smith Park, a new City Building, and a new garbage truck and funding for these projects. Mayor McColly indicated that a levy for a new swimming pool could be considered or a ¼% or ½% increase in income taxes to fund these and other projects. Mayor McColly stated that additional information will be forthcoming.

Mayor McColly reported that he will be attending an upcoming solid waste meeting.

There being no further business, the President Pro-Tem declared the meeting adjourned.

Sarah J. Bennett, Clerk

Aaron Korte, President Pro-Tem