

CITY COUNCIL

June 3, 2024

The June 3, 2024 City Council meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m. in Council Chambers by Kate Niederkohr, President. 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 Scott Moore, Kate Niederkohr, John Walker, Kenneth Wessler, Tom Karcher, Aaron Korte, and Julia Lemire.

Others present included: Kyle McColly, Mayor; Ben Buckland, Law Director; Brian Hemminger, Daily Chief Union; and Sarah Bennett, Clerk.

The minutes of the May 20, 2024 City Council meeting, having been mailed to each City Council member, were approved as received.

The minutes of the May 20, 2024 Service Committee meeting, having been mailed to each City Council member, were reviewed.

The minutes of the May 20, 2024 special Safety Committee meeting, having been mailed to each City Council member, were reviewed.

The minutes of the May 22, 2024 special Park Board meeting, having been mailed to each City Council member, were reviewed.

The minutes of the May 23, 2024 Board of Zoning Appeals hearing, having been mailed to each City Council member, were reviewed.

Mr. Korte reported that the Service Committee again reviewed water rate increases at their meeting held earlier this evening and those changes will be coming to City Council. Mr. Korte indicated that he and a supervisor will be reviewing the rates and the income generated from these rate increases annually in October to determine if adjustments need to be made. Mr. Korte also noted that prior to the next City Council meeting he will be providing City Council members with a spreadsheet showing the rate increases for the years to come so they have time to review the information prior to voting on the increases.

A motion was made by Mr. Walker, seconded by Mr. Karcher, to place Ordinance No. 231-13 entitled, "AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING AND DIRECTING THE MAYOR OF THE CITY OF UPPER SANDUSKY, OHIO TO ENTER INTO A COMMUNITY REINVESTMENT AREA AGREEMENT WITH UPPER SANDUSKY HEALTH FACILITIES 2, LLC AND VANCREST OF UPPER SANDUSKY, LLC, AND DECLARING THIS ACT AN EMERGENCY.", on its second reading by title only. Upon Roll Call, all members voted Yes; the President declared the motion carried. The Clerk read Ordinance No. 231-13 for the second time by title only.

A motion was made by Mr. Karcher, seconded by Mrs. Lemire, for the adoption of Ordinance No. 231-13. Upon Roll Call, all members voted Yes. The President declared the motion carried and Ordinance No. 231-13 was duly adopted.

Mayor McColly requested approval of the appointment of Mr. Zach Morral to the Downtown Committee to fill the seat vacated by Mrs. Jan Stoneburner following her resignation. The term for this seat on the Downtown Committee expires on December 31, 2025.

A motion was made by Mr. Korte, seconded by Mr. Karcher, to approve the appointment of Mr. Zach Morral to the Downtown Committee with the term to expire on December 31, 2025. Upon Voice Vote, all members voted Yes. The President declared the motion carried.

Mayor McColly also reported on the following:

- The wayfinding sign has been placed in the downtown at the southwest corner of the intersection of Wyandot Avenue and Sandusky Avenue.
- Mayor McColly and Mr. Doug Keller, Wastewater Treatment Supervisor, participated in the 8th grade tours held on Tuesday, May 21, 2024.
- Mayor McColly recently attended an RPG meeting to discuss business attraction.
- The Memorial Day parade took place on Monday, May 27, 2024 and the weather was nice and the parade and ceremony in the park were well attended.
- The Rod and Gun Club's annual fishing derby will take place from 8:00 a.m. to 11:00 a.m. at the pond in Harrison Smith Park on Saturday, June 8, 2024.
- The Wyandot Ghostriders will be hosting their final Mayor's Cup, vintage baseball tournament, in Stepping Stones Park this coming weekend.
- A ribbon cutting ceremony was held today for the Upper Sandusky Library's Story Walk in Stepping Stones Park.
- Notification has been received of a \$7.1 million dollar grant awarded to the City for a wastewater main project on the west side of the City for the upcoming Valencia Project, the Louis Dreyfus soybean process facility located in Salem Township. Louis Dreyfus will cover all additional costs associated with the project.

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

Sarah J. Bennett, Clerk

Kate Niederkohr, President