

Minutes of Perrysburg City Council

Meeting Held April 18, 2023

CALL TO ORDER - 6:30 PM

Mayor Mackin called the meeting to order at 6:33 p.m.

ROLL CALL

Present were Council Members Kevin Fuller, Mark Weber, Jan Materni, Barry VanHoozen, Cory Kuhlman, Jonathan Smith, and Tim McCarthy (7). Also present were Timothy Effler, Law Director, and Amber Rathburn, Clerk of Council.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE - GIRL SCOUT TROUP #1118

Girl Scout Troop #1118 led the City Council meeting in the Pledge of Allegiance.

MINUTES OF COUNCIL MEETING OF APRIL 4, 2023

Mr. Smith moved to approve the minutes of the Public Hearing and City Council meeting held on April 4, 2023 as written and to dispense with their reading. There being no objections, the minutes were approved. Ayes: (7). Nays: (0).

SPECIAL REPORTS

None.

LETTERS, COMMUNICATIONS, AND CITIZENS COMMUNICATIONS

None.

ADMINISTRATIVE REPORTS

Mayor

Mayor Mackin welcomed Tim Effler, the new Law Director. He stated that it is officially Federal Tax Day, and he appreciates everyone stopping to drop off their taxes.

Mayor Mackin shared some Earth Day events coming up at the end of the month. He said they still need volunteers for the Great American Cleanup.

Mayor Mackin gave an update on the City Administrator's position. He said that eighteen applications have been received, and the consulting firm is doing their due diligence, collecting information and they are forming an internal team to help review the applications.

Mayor Mackin stated that the pickleball courts are now open at Rotary Park. He said a nice event was held recognizing the Welch family's contribution to the community. He added that the windscreens will be installed in May.

Mayor Mackin acknowledged the Country Garden Club's 90th anniversary, stating that they have done a lot for the community, and he is appreciative.

City Administrator

No report.

Finance Director

Ms. Rathburn thanked the Tax Division for their hard work this week and throughout the year. She noted that prior to the next City Council meeting scheduled for Tuesday, May 2, 2023, there is a Joint Cemetery Meeting scheduled for 6:00 p.m.

Law Director

Mr. Effler stated that this is his second week, and he is really enjoying being a part of the City of Perrysburg.

PRESIDENT OF COUNCIL REPORT

No report.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Finance & Economic Development

No report.

Next meeting: Tuesday, May 9, 2023 at 5:30 p.m.

Resolution# 46-2023

Mr. Weber introduced **RESOLUTION 46-2023 A RESOLUTION TO APPROVE THEN AND NOW CERTIFICATES IN THE AMOUNT OF TWENTY EIGHT THOUSAND SEVENTY DOLLARS AND FIFTEEN CENTS (\$28,070.15) AS ATTACHED IN EXHIBIT A FOR THE CITY OF PERRYSBURG; AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY**, and moved that the rules be suspended to allow for its reading by number and title only and to dispense with the second and third readings. Seconded by Mr. Smith. Ayes: (7). Nays: (0). The Clerk read Resolution 46-2023 by number and title only. Mr. Weber moved that Resolution 46-2023 be passed as an emergency measure. Seconded by Mr. Smith. Ayes: (7). Nays: (0).

Mr. Weber also acknowledged the Country Garden Club's 90th anniversary of making our community beautiful, and he thanked them for their hard work.

Safety

No report.

Next meeting: Tuesday, April 25, 2023 at 6:00 p.m.

Resolution# 31-2023

Mr. VanHoozen stated that this Resolution is being tabled until further notice.

Resolution# 32-2023

Mr. VanHoozen stated that this Resolution is being tabled until further notice.

Recreation

No report.

Next meeting: Tuesday, May 9, 2023 at 6:30 p.m.

Planning & Zoning

Mr. McCarthy gave his report of the April 5, 2023 meeting, a copy of which is attached hereto and made a part of these minutes.

Next meeting: Wednesday, May 3, 2023 at 5:30 p.m.

Ordinance# 13-2023

Mr. McCarthy introduced **ORDINANCE 13-2023 AMENDING THE ZONING MAP OF THE CITY OF PERRYSBURG, WOOD COUNTY, OHIO, TO REZONE 5 PARCELS FROM I-2 (GENERAL INDUSTRIAL) TO R-M (MULTI-FAMILY RESIDENTIAL)**, and moved that the rules be suspended to allow for its reading by number and title only and to dispense with the second and third readings. Seconded by Mr. VanHoozen. Ayes: (7). Nays: (0). The Clerk read Ordinance 13-2023 by number and title only. Mr. McCarthy moved that Ordinance 13-2023 be passed. Seconded by Mr. VanHoozen. Mr. Smith said he understands what they are trying to do for the Land Use Plan, but he thinks Planned Business Park could be a more fitting classification. Mr. McCarthy stated that they owe it to the neighbors to assure they will see compatible uses across the street. Mayor Mackin stated that the Administration's view was that this is the best use to protect the neighborhood while allowing the current land owner to use the property consistent with its current use. Mr. Kuhlman asked why we did not do this with the previous owner, and he said he is bothered by the history of this property. Mr. Kuhlman stated that he is bothered that we are infringing on someone's property rights when the City could have developed this ourselves. He said he would rather wait until we have the tool that they want to see as the end product. Mr. McCarthy stated that they took this opportunity to get it out of industrial zoning, as it is not a good long-term plan for the City. Ms. Materni stated that, as someone who lives in the neighborhood, some of the uses in industrial are not acceptable to have in a neighborhood around families. She added that they are not taking away the property owners' rights. Mr. Smith noted that no one up here disagrees that this should not be industrial and the question is if multi-family is the right fit for this. Mr. Weber stated that they owe it to the residents to not allow the manufacturing noise and traffic and to get it out of industrial as soon as possible. Mr. Weber is intrigued by the idea of Planned Business Park. Mr. McCarthy said he would not be comfortable with adopting Planned Business Park zoning unless

there is a very specific development proposal that could be vetted. Mr. Kuhlman said he does not like that they are choosing to single out one property. Mr. Fuller said he does not disagree with the intent and asked if they will continually go around the City and force zoning changes where they do not apply to the Land Use Plan. Mayor Mackin responded that they have not and will not. Mr. Smith noted that C-2 allows for more of a mixed use as well. Mr. VanHoozen stated that we have no indications of the property owners' intent with the property. Mr. VanHoozen added he does not mind new ideas, but they should be a part of the process. He noted that he will vote yes tonight so he knows that the footprint of the property will not grow. Ayes: Materni, McCarthy, VanHoozen, Weber (4). Nays: Kuhlman, Smith, Fuller (3).

Personnel

No report.

Next meeting: Tuesday, April 25, 2023 at 5:00 p.m.

Public Utilities

No report.

Next meeting: Wednesday, April 26, 2023 at 6:30 p.m.

Service

No report.

Next meeting: Wednesday, April 26, 2023 at 5:30 p.m.

OTHER BUSINESS

No other business.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no objections, the meeting adjourned at 7:13 p.m.

Amber Rathburn
Clerk of Council

Thomas G. Mackin
Mayor