Regular Session July 18, 2022

The members of Hubbard City Council met in regular session on Monday, July 18, 2022, in council chambers with President Pro Tem Bonnie Viele. Approximately 4 people was in attendance.

Roll call showed the following members in attendance:

B. Viele R. Zambrini C. Cummings M. Kerr R. Hallapy J. Crowe

Ms. Viele- our President of Council is excused, and Mr. Mogg also, as reported and so

It was moved by M Zambrini with a second by Ms. Cummings to excuse any absent officials. There were no questions or comments on the motion. Motion passed. Vote unanimous.

It was moved by M Zambrini with a second by Ms. Cummings to accept the minutes of the July 5, 2022, regular as presented to council. There were no questions or comments on the motion. Motion passed. Vote unanimous.

**COMMUNICATIONS-**

Clerk- no communications this evening

**REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES-**

**FINANCE**- Ms. Zambrini- I do have a report.

Ms. Viele- thank you

Ms. Zambrini- I hope I can make it through it. Good evening, I would like to report on our Income Tax collections at this halfway point in 2022. Each of the first six months of this year carries the distinction of being higher in collection than during the same months for 2021. This means each month on our monthly tax report this year, shows a plus sign and not a minus sign which is a very good thing. Ending June 30th of this year, income tax collections for year-to-date show a plus five percent increase over 2021. So, we are sitting at $1,661,743.00 for first half collections and the rest of the year appears promising. Also, I would like to report that last fall the city filed the necessary paperwork to participate in the One Ohio Opioid settlement. This past week Attorney General Dave Youst issued a list of local governments eligible for funds from this settlement. Hubbard City is on the list for an estimated amount between $40,798.00 to $58,284.00. I am not sure why there is two columns of figures but those are the two numbers that are listed beside Hubbard City. The announcement also reminds local governments that they must use these funds consistently with the approved One Ohio Opioid Abatement Strategies which include: This is quoted from the document Evidence Based Forward Looking Strategies Programing and Services used to expand the availability of treatment for individuals affected by substance abuse disorders. Develop, promote, and provide evidence-based substance use prevention strategies, provide substance use avoidance and awareness education, decrease the oversupply of licit and illicit opioids and support recovery from addiction services provided for by qualified and appropriately licensed providers. There are still some questions remaining including the method of receiving the settlement funds when the funds will be received and at our own level how to use the funds effectively. Thank you.

Ms. Viele- thank you

**PARK & RECREATION**- Ms. Cummings- Yes, the regularly scheduled park & rec meeting this Thursday the 21st, has been rescheduled for the 26th at 6:00 in council chambers. The city has received notice that Josh Barr will not be extending his term on the park & rec board as of December 31, 2022. If anyone is interested in joining the park & rec board, they can send a letter at any time to the city building requesting to be put on the park & rec board. That is it.

Ms. Viele-thank you

**COMMUNITY AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT**- Mr. Mogg- Not in attendance

**PLANNING & ZONING**- Ms. Viele- August is the Planning & Zoning Commissions vacation month. The Planning & Zoning Appeals Board will be meeting Tuesday, August 9th at 7 pm here in council chambers. On their agenda there are two requests for oversized sheds a request for a

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**REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES-**

solid privacy fence and a request for a second unattached garage. The public is invited to attend and participate in all zoning meetings. Thank you

U**TILITIES-** Mr. Kerr- No report madam President

Ms. Viele- no report, okay

**STREETS & SIDEWALKS**- Mr. Crowe- Yes, the street department, right now, they are just doing some mowing and some catch basin repair. Tonight, I will be asking for legislation for the 2022 Street resurfacing Program. That is all I have.

Ms. Vielle- okay

**SAFETY**- Mr. Hallapy- No report madam President

Ms. Viele- Okay

**REPORTS OF SPECIAL COMMITTEES-**

**CEMETERY BOARD**- Mr. Mogg- Not in attendance

Ms. Viele- again, Mr. Hallapy do you have anything about the cemetery?

Mr. Hallapy- Not tonight

Ms. Viele- okay. Mr. Williams isn’t here for the fire district.

**FIRE DISTRICT-**Mr. Williams- Not in attendance

**REPORTS OF CITY OFFICIALS**

**SAFETY DIRECTOR**- Mr. Bancroft- Yes madam president, of course we have been battling personnel issues, staffing issues at the police department all year. We have used up, as of June, half the year, we have used up 60% of the overtime budget in half the year. So, we have been going thru that rather quickly. Lately, the guys have been pitching in, working overtime, short staffed and Detective Sgt. Banic has been working with Cold Justice on the Billie Lynn Groff case. I don’t know if anybody saw that on Facebook or stories that came up with that, but he is currently working on that. They funded where they were digging over in the Farrell, Pennsylvania area. They did all the funding for that which, you know without that funding, we couldn’t have done that. They have a lot of different leads in that case. He continues to work on the Cody Pitts case as well. These cold cases don’t go away. They just, you know, they are still working on them. They still are actively working on them as we speak. I also have the new memorandum of understanding for the school resource officer. It has been reviewed by the Law Director Mr. Villano and council has to approve this as well. We will probably do that after we come back in September I would imagine.

Ms. Viele- sounds okay

Mr. Bancroft- What was holding it up, was the contract wasn’t signed. So, the first year the MOU was basically wiped out by the contract that wasn’t signed. Now that, that is signed, we have the new rate in here and basically everything else is the same. Also, Sgt. Fisher has retired. So, we are even shorter. We are working on some ideas to get some personnel hired. The police department is working with some other agencies, other departments, as well as trying to get some ideas for the hiring because everyone has the same problem. That is all I have.

Ms. Viele- Okay thank you

**LAW DIRECTOR**- Mr. Villano- No report tonight madam president thank you

**TREASURER**- Ms. Ruha—Nothing tonight

**AUDITOR**- Mr. Villano- Not in attendance

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**REPORTS OF CITY OFFICIALS**

It was moved by Ms. Zambrini with a second by Ms. Cummings to accept the reports of standing committees, special committees, and city officials. There were no questions or comments on the motion. Motion carried. Vote unanimous.

**MAYOR’S REPORT**

Thank you, Madam President, just to let everyone know that starting July the 16th, all providers connected either cell phones or landlines will now be connected to the Suicide Crisis lifeline. Dial 988 and someone will be there to help. Also, dial 988 and press one for a veteran’s crisis line. So, this is something being reported nationally that it is available to anyone that does have a cellphone or a landline. The number is 988. The Waugh Park Entrance Project has finally begun. It has been years in the making, and I want to thank the property owner Dave Thompson, Mark Villano our audit…the law director and also the auditor, Mike Villano. We put a lot of effort along with council with the permanent easement. So, Pantalone Paving is currently on site working with site work including adding a catch basin and overall improvements. Hopefully, the Park & Rec Board will be able to make fence upgrades over the next few years so, that it. Now, we will have a forty-by-forty paved entrance into the park. They can expand the opening where the fence is so that it can be a two-car entrance into the park. Just an update, the TAP Grant for the Myron Street sidewalk, ODOT is in charge of the project that was bid. Foust Construction will be doing the project from September into October of 2022. A big thanks to the street department after doing some research, they removed the old Brentford house sign today. It was in the city’s new right of way. The new owner of the property did not want to take it down. That was the Brentford house so, thankfully our street department worked effectively to get it removed. Mosquito spraying will be on the 26th of this month. I repeat mosquito spraying the 26th of this month. Please let everyone know because unfortunately, it seems like it is a surprise every time it happens. Then again, the fourth and final spray will be August 23rd. I am excited for our street paving project. It has been a very difficult time for pricing, and I appreciate council’s willingness to get this very large paving project done. Obviously, this is one of the bigger projects we have undertaken from the beginning. These nine streets were very bad streets from last year when we decided to apply for OPWC funding. I think it will make a big difference all across the city. Progress is also being made with the electric department. The Lineman C being hired, and the process has begun for someone to be hired. Once again, there is a Civil Service Test. The deadline to sign up is August 3rd at 3 pm. If you know anyone that wants a job to become a career, please have them sign up. We only have one person signed up currently. Also speaking of signing up, for months and months, my assistant Debbi has worked with the seniors back at the senior center with home delivered meals, with the library, and with everyone involved in aspect of the senior van. Everyone that was previously a dispatcher and was a driver has refused for months now to come back and participate in this volunteer effort. If you know anyone who would like to volunteer, we have had ads in the newspaper. It has been on the website. It’s been hanging on the doors which, is a public notification. If anyone would like to volunteer for anything that involves the city, specifically the senor van, we would be more than happy to create a list. Unfortunately, at this point, if we do not have the volunteers it cannot operate. This is something that traditionally operated Monday thru Friday when doctor ‘s offices were open. Also, I would like to be reminded of the fact that, if someone needs a ride that is a senior, all they have to do is call the mayor’s office. Your tax dollars funded through the senior levy can get you ride. If you’re a veteran, you can get a ride. There are a number of different things offered thru Trumbull County, not necessarily only the senior van that is here in Hubbard. Brookfield is facing the exact same problems with their senior van as well. They also have the manpower right now to run it occasionally. So hopefully, we have only tried for the last nine months to get this up and running again. Unfortunately, there is not the willingness to volunteer. Not only for this project but also for service organizations in general and to serve on boards. Thank you to our park representative, Cathy Cummings, for letting everyone know that someone will be coming off the board. So, if anyone wants to serve

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on park & rec., a letter of interest can go to the Mayor’s Office. Lastly, I want to thank George Ginnis our water administrator for his years’ service. We are currently working on his replacement to oversee our distribution system. That is all thank you.

It was moved by Ms. Zambrini with a second by Ms. Cummings to accept the mayor’s report. There were no questions or comments on the motion. Motion passed. Vote Unanimous.

**UNFINISHED OR OLD BUSINESS-**

Ms. Viele**-** does anyone have anything under old business or unfinished business that they want to bring up now? Not seeing any response.

**MISCELLANEOUS BUSINESS**

Mr. Crowe- Yes, I just want to make a comment about a special thank you to our city employees who stepped up and took care of an issue for one of our residents. Sometimes we are unable to respond immediately and sometimes we can get it. The effort is there. I would like to thank the Mayor, Marianne Hallapy and Dave Cook in particular. I got a nice phone call for a job well done. That is all.

Ms. Viele- Okay, thank you. Good to hear.

**PUBLIC ADDRESS TO CITY COUNCIL ON AGENDA ITEMS-**

Ms. Viele- We have two items on our agenda tonight. If there is anyone who wishes to address agenda items when recognized, please step forward to the microphone and state your name and address for the record. You will have three minutes unless extended by council vote. Anybody? Not seeing anything.

**NEW BUSINESS & REQUESTS FOR LEGISLATION-**

Ms. Viele- the only one I received tonight is Mr. Crowe. Go ahead

It was moved by Mr. Crowe with a second by Mr. Hallapy to have the law director draw up the necessary legislation authorizing the Board of Control to enter into an agreement with Karvo Companies Inc. for the 2022 Street Resurfacing Program for an amount not to exceed $418,729.45 and declaring an emergency.

Clerk- who seconded it?

Multiple-Hallapy

There were no questions or comments on the motion. Motion passed. Vote unanimous.

It was moved by Mr. Crowe with a second by Mr. Hallapy to suspend the 24-hour notification and place the Ordinance on the agenda. There were no questions or comments on the motion. Motion passed. Vote unanimous.

**ORDINANCES & RESOLUTIONS**

Resolution 6-22 Third Reading

AUTHORIZING MS CONSULTANTS, INC. AS AGENT, AND PROJECT MANAGER FOR THE CITY OF HUBBARD, OHIO FOR THE PURPOSE OF SUBMITTING AN APPLICATION FOR ISSUE II MONIES

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**ORDINANCES & RESOLUTIONS**

AND TO EXECUTE ALL NECESSARY CONTRACTS AND ADMISISTRATE IMPLEMENTATION OF THE PROJECT WITH RESPECT TO THE 2023 STREET RESURFACING PROJECT

It was moved by Mr. Crowe with a second by Mr. Hallapy that Resolution 6-22 be passed as read. There were no questions or comments on the motion. Motion passed. Vote unanimous.

Resolution 8-22 First Reading

A RESOLUTION ACCEPTING THE AMOUNT AND RATES AS DETERMINED BY THE BUDGET COMMISSION AND AUTHORIZING THE NECESSARY TAX LEVIES AND CERTIFYING THEM TO THE COUNTY AUDITOR

Ms. Viele- Is that yours Robin?

Ms. Zambrini- yes

Ms. Viele- Since I hear no action on it. It will flow to its next reading.

Ordinance 17-22 First Reading

AUTHORIZING THE BOARD OF CONTROL TO ENTER INTO A CONTRACT WITH KARVO COMPANIES FOR THE 2022 STREET RESURFACING PROGRAM AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

Mr. Crowe- Madam President I ask that Ordinance…got the number?

Clerk-17

Mr. Crowe-17. 8-17 be passed as read

Clerk- no 17-22

Mr. Crowe- oh yea. I ask that we suspend the second and third readings. Of Ordinance

Ms. Viele- 17-22

Mr. Crowe-yea

Ms. Viele- okay

It was moved by Mr. Crowe with a second by Mr. Hallapy to suspend the second and third reading of Ordinance 17-22... There were no questions or comments on the motion. Motion passed. Vote unanimous

Mr. Crowe- and I ask that Ordinance 8-17 be passed as read.

Clerk- wait 17-22

Multiple

Mr. Crowe –this was one muffled…I ask that Ordinance 17-22 be passed as read

It was moved by Mr. Crowe with a second by Mr. Hallapy that Ordinance 17-22 be passed as read. There were no questions or comments on the motion. Motion passed. Vote unanimous.

Ms. Viele- okay that is all the ordinances and resolutions

**PUBLIC ADDRESS TO CITY COUNCIL ON NON-AGENDA ITEMS-**

Ms. Viele- If there is anyone here who wishes to address city council on non-agenda items related to city council business, when recognized please step forward to the microphone and state your name and address for the record. You will have three minutes unless extended by council vote. Anybody? Okay I would accept a motion to adjourn

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**ADJOURN**

A motion was made by Ms. Cummings with a second by Mr. Kerr to adjourn.

Ms. Viele- any question or comments? Okay we are adjourned

Clerk-wait you got to call roll

Mr. Kerr- call the roll

Ms. Viele- Oh, I gotta call the roll. Okay, I am anxious.

There were no questions or comments on the motion. Motion carried. Vote Unanimous.

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