

**CITY OF CHILLICOTHE
COUNCIL MEETING
MINUTES OF A REGULAR MEETING
FEBRUARY 13, 2023**

A regular meeting of the City Council of the City of Chillicothe, Peoria County, Illinois, met in Regular Session in person February 13, 2023 at 7:00 P.M with Mayor Michael D. Hughes presiding and with proper notice having been posted.

Mayor Michael D. Hughes called the meeting to order at 7:00 P.M.

The Pledge of Allegiance, to the Flag of the United States of America, was recited.

Chairman Hughes directed Clerk Byrnes to take roll.

Physically Present: Mayor Michael D. Hughes
Treasurer B.L. Bredeman
City Clerk Jill Byrnes

Alderpersons: Dean Braun, Barry Bredeman, Patricia Westerman-Connor, Courtney Gehrig, Dennis Gould, Gary Sharp, Jacob VanBruwaene

Alderpersons Absent: Jeff Jenkins

Also, Physically Present: Office Manager Denise Passage
Police Chief Jeremy Cooper
City Attorney Kevin Day
Attorney Bill Streeter
Superintendent of Public Works Shawn Sutherland
Economic Development Director Amanda Beadles

Chairman Hughes declared a Quorum present.

The Minutes of the Regular Council Meeting held on January 23, 2023 were presented. Motion Alderperson Braun, second Alderperson Sharp, that the Council dispense with the reading of the Minutes of the January 23, 2023, Regular Council Meeting and approve the Minutes as presented.

Motion Carried Via Voce Vote.

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Clerk Byrnes presented the following committee minutes:

1. Human Resources – 12/8/2022
2. Joint EDC & Finance Committee – 1/19/2023
3. Judicial Committee - 1/25/2023
4. Finance Committee - 2/1/2023
5. Marketing & Tourism – 2/6/2023
6. Chillicothe Plan Commission – 2/7/2023
7. Public Safety 2/7/2023
8. Public Works – 2/8/2023

CLERK COMMUNICATIONS:

Clerk Byrnes presented the following communications:

1. City of Chillicothe Budget Report - 1/2023
2. City Treasurers Report – 1/31/2023
3. City Collectors Report – 01/2023
4. City Engineers Report – 2/8/2023

APPLICATION TO RE-ZONE:

I am in receipt of application to re-zone for retail space at 1217 N Santa Fe Ave., (Rescue 33 Community) This has been forwarded to the Plan Commission.

SPECIAL EVENT REQUEST :

I am in receipt of a special event request from the Chillicothe Fire Department for a Centennial Parade to be held Saturday May 6, 2023 from noon to 4:00 p.m.

SPECIAL EVENT REQUEST:

I am in receipt of a special event request from the Optimist Club for Homerun Festival to be held Saturday June 3, 2023 from 9:00 a.m. – 7:00 p.m.

REQUEST FOR LIVE ENTERTAINMENT:

I am in receipt of a request from American Legion Post #9 for live entertainment to be held in their outdoor pavilion on Sunday March 5th, 2023. The band Whiskey River will play from 2 – 5 p.m. This will be a benefit for Anita Ward who is battling cancer.

Motion Alderperson Braun, second Alderperson Sharp, that the minutes as presented be accepted and the communications as presented by Clerk Byrnes be accepted and placed on file.
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PETITIONS AND COMMUNICAITONS FROM THE MAYOR AND ALDERPERSONS:

None.

COUNCIL COMMITTEE COMMUNICATIONS:

None.

ANYONE WITH BUSINESS CONCERNING CITY GOVERNMENT:

Jim Fennell, 98 N Second St. spoke to the Council in favor of a 3-way stop sign at Cloverdale and Second St. due to the danger of the blind intersection and suggested a flashing or "stop ahead" sign to be placed on Second St.

Lawrence Wade, 1119 Hushaw Ave. a bus driver for IVC. Mr. Wade also spoke in favor of the 3-way stop sign, stating that he travels the route of Cloverdale and Second several times daily with several near accidents involving his bus and with children on board.

PRESENTATION OF BILLS, TRANSFERS AND PAYROLLS FOR PAYMENT AND DISCUSSION:

Motion Alderperson VanBruwaene, second Alderperson Gehrig, that the bills as presented be paid and the payrolls and transfers be approved.

Roll Call Vote was:

Ayes: Braun, Bredeman, Connor, Gehrig
Gould, Sharp, VanBruwaene

Nays: None
Chairman declared motion carried.

MAYOR HUGHES:

None.

PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE:

Motion Alderperson Gould, second Alderperson Sharp, that the Council approve an expenditure of \$4,112.00, payable to Hoerr Construction for the Televising of the Storm Sewer on Pine Street. Payable from the Road and Bridge Fund.

Roll Call Vote Was:

Ayes: Braun, Bredeman, Connor, Gehrig,
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Nays: None
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No Motion: Alderperson Gould, agenda item #2, made an announcement that the Landscape Waste Drop off schedule for 2023 has been released. The opening date is Wednesday March 15, 2023 and the last day will be Wednesday November 29, 2023.

Motion Alderperson Gould, second Alderperson Braun, that the Council approve Resolution No. 23-02-05, a Resolution for an agreement between the City of Chillicothe and I.D.O.T. for the modernization of traffic signals and paving rehabilitation on Truitt.

Roll Call Vote was:

Ayes: Braun, Bredeman, Connor, Gehrig
Gould, Sharp, VanBruwaene

Nays: None
Chairman declared motion carried.

Motion Alderperson Gould, second Alderperson Sharp, that the Council authorize the City Engineer to prepare the necessary documents to commit funds from the Rebuild Illinois Funds to the Truitt Street Improvement.

Motion Carried Via Voce Vote.

Motion Alderperson Gould, second Alderperson Sharp, that the Council authorize the City Engineer to take the necessary steps to have the Benedict Street Bridge Inspected.

Roll call vote was:

Ayes: Braun, Bredeman, Connor, Gehrig,
Gould, Sharp, VanBruwaene

Nays: None
Chairman declared motion carried.

FINANCE COMMITTEE:

Motion Alderperson VanBruwaene, second Sharp, that the Council approve the purchase of a PermaNet+ GPRS Date Logger w/leak noise sensor and accessories in the amount of \$43,112.00, payable to Surface Solutions. Payable from the General Fund ARPA Funds.

Roll Call vote was:

Ayes: Braun, Bredeman, Connor, Gehrig,
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Nays: None
Chairman declared motion carried.

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Motion Alderperson VanBruwaene, second Alderperson Gehrig, that the council approve the ACH and Cash Management agreements with Better Banks and authorize the Mayor to sign said agreements.

Roll Call Vote was:

Ayes: Braun, Bredeman, Connor, Gehrig
Gould, Sharp, VanBruwaene

Nays: None

Chairman declared motion carried.

Motion Alderperson VanBruwaene, second Alderperson Gehrig, that the Council Approve the agreement with Voice Spring for phone service and phones for City Hall and authorize the Mayor to sign said agreement.

Roll Call Vote was:

Ayes: Braun, Bredeman, Connor, Gehrig
Gould, Sharp, VanBruwaene

Nays: None

Chairman declared motion carried.

Motion Alderperson VanBruwaene, second Alderperson Bredeman, that the Council approve the agreement with Voice Spring for phones for the Police Station and authorize the Mayor to sign said agreement.

Roll Call Vote was:

Ayes: Braun, Bredeman, Connor, Gehrig
Gould, Sharp, VanBruwaene

Nays: None

Chairman declare motion carried.

Motion Alderperson Vanbruwaene, second Alderperson Braun, that the Council approve the agreement with i3 Broadband for internet service at City Hall and authorize the Mayor to sign said agreement.

Roll Call Vote was:

Ayes: Braun, Bredeman, Connor, Gehrig
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Nays: None

Chairman declared motion carried.

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Motion Alderperson VanBruwaene, second Alderperson Sharp. In accordance with Resolution No. 23-02-01, I move that the Council approve the lease-purchase of a 2023 Vactor Sewer Cleaner through a lease-purchase agreement with Tax-Exempt Leasing Corporation, approve an initial expenditure of \$74,368.08 for the first lease payment, payable from the Road and Bridge Fund, and authorize and direct the Mayor and necessary City Officers to execute and deliver all documents to complete the lease-purchase transaction.

Roll Call Vote was:

Ayes: Braun, Bredeman, Connor, Gehrig
Gould, Sharp, VanBruwaene

Nays: None

Chairman declared motion carried.

PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE:

Motion Alderperson Braun, second Alderperson Gould, that the Council approve Ordinance No. 23-02-01, an Ordinance amending the traffic schedule of the City Code to allow for a stop sign at Ash Street and First Street.

Roll Call Vote was:

Ayes: Braun, Bredeman, Connor, Gehrig,
Gould, Sharp, VanBruwaene

Nays: None

Chairman declared motion carried.

Motion Alderperson Braun, second Alderperson Gould, that the Council approve the Notice for Special Event, submitted by The Chillicothe Fire District for a Centennial Parade, to be held Saturday May 6, 2023 from noon to 4:00 p.m., as submitted.

Motion Carried Via Voce Vote.

Motion Alderperson Braun, second Alderperson Gould, that the Council approve the Notice of Special Event submitted by the Optimist Club, for a Homerun Festival, to be held Saturday June 3, 2023 from 9:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m., as submitted.

Motion Carried Via Voce Vote:

Motion Alderperson Braun, second Alderperson that the Council approve the request submitted by the American Legion to have live entertainment in their outdoor pavilion on Sunday March 5, 2023 from 2:00 p.m. – 5:00 p.m., a benefit for Anita Ward, as submitted.

Motion Carried Via Voce Vote.

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Discussion was held regarding the potential 3-way stop at Cloverdale and Second. Alderperson Braun advised the Council that he will be taking it back to Public Safety Committee for further discussion and City Engineer can give input. Mayor Hughes, Alderpersons Connor and Gehrig all stated their concerns regarding the intersection. No action was taken.

JUDICIAL COMMITTEE:

Motion Alderperson Connor, second Alderperson Bredeman, that the Council approve Ordinance No. 23-02-02, an Ordinance granting a special use for a beer garden in a CB-1 Central Business District Zoning at 1046 Second.

Roll Call Vote was:

Ayes: Braun, Bredeman, Connor, Gehrig
Gould, Sharp, VanBruwaene

Nays: None

Chairman declared motion carried.

HUMAN RESOURCE COMMITTEE:

Motion Alderperson Gehrig, second Alderperson VanBruwaene, that the Council approve the Memorandum of Understanding between the City of Chillicothe and Police Labor Council, amending the Insurance section of the Police Labor Contact to authorize the Mayor to sign said Memorandum of Understanding.

Roll Call Vote was:

Ayes: Braun, Bredeman, Connor, Gehrig
Gould, Sharp, Vanbruwaene

Nays: None

Chairman declared motion carried.

Motion Alderperson Gehrig, second Alderperson VanBruwaene, that the Council approve the Disclaimer of Beneficiary Interest and authorize the Mayor to sign said document.

Roll Call Vote was:

Ayes: Braun, Bredeman, Connor, Gehrig
Sharp, VanBruwaene

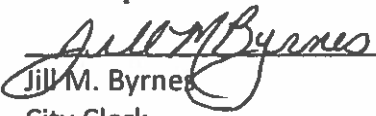
Abstain: Gould (conflict of interest)

Nays: None

Chairman declared motion carried.

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Motion Alderperson Braun, second Alderperson Gehrig, to adjourn at 7:32p.m.
Chairman Hughes declared the meeting adjourned.


Jill M. Byrnes
City Clerk



PUBLIC COMMENT

Meeting: City Council

Meeting Date: 2/13/2023

Time: 7:00pm

Place/Room: City hall

Name

Address

Jim Fennell

98 N Second St

Lawrence Wade

1119 N Hushaw Av