



City of Hudson, Ohio

Meeting Minutes - Draft

City Council

Jeffrey L. Anzevino, Mayor

Christopher W. Foster, President of Council (Ward 2)

Christopher A. Banweg, Council Member (At-Large)

Beth A. Bigham, Council Member (Ward 4)

Karen E. Heater, Council Member (At-Large)

Nicole V. Kowalski, Council Member (At-Large)

Katherine R. Schlademan, Council Member (Ward 1)

Skylar J. Sutton, Council Member (Ward 3)

Thomas Sheridan, Interim City Manager

Marshal Pitchford, City Solicitor

R. Todd Hunt, Special Counsel

Aparna Wheeler, Clerk of Council

Tuesday, June 21, 2022

6:00 PM

Town Hall
27 East Main Street

Early start for Executive Session at 6:00 p.m.; Recess for Clocktower Tour at 7:00 p.m.; Regular Meeting to follow at 7:30 p.m.

1. Call to Order

Mayor Anzevino called to order the meeting of Hudson City Council at 6:00 p.m., in accordance with the Sunshine Laws of the State of Ohio, O.R.C. Section 121.22.

2. Executive Session

A motion was made by Mr. Foster, seconded by Mr. Banweg, to enter into executive session to interview an applicant for City Manager. Mayor Anzevino recessed the meeting at 6:02 p.m. after the motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: 7 - Mr. Banweg, Mrs. Bigham, Mr. Foster, Mrs. Heater, Mrs. Kowalski, Ms. Schlademan and Mr. Sutton

Mayor Anzevino reconvened the meeting at 7:35 p.m.

3. Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag

4. Roll Call

Present: 7 - Mr. Banweg, Mrs. Bigham, Mr. Foster, Mrs. Heater, Mrs. Kowalski, Ms. Schlademan and Mr. Sutton

Staff in Attendance: Mr. Sheridan, Interim City Manager; Mr. Hunt, Special Counsel; Kathy Vadas, Legal Counsel; Ms. Wheeler, Clerk of Council; Mr. Comeriato, Assistant City Manager - Operations; Mr. Hutchinson, Assistant Public Works Director; Mr. Knoblauch, Assistant City Manager - Financial/Special Projects; and Mr. Leiter, HCTV Production Assistant.

5. Approval of the Minutes

A. [22-0058](#) Minutes of Previous Council Meetings

Brief Description: Draft minutes of previous meetings are provided for City Council's review and approval.

Attachments: [6-7-2022 Council Meeting Minutes - Draft](#)
[6-9-2022 Special Workshop - Draft](#)
[6-14-2022 Workshop Minutes - Draft](#)

There being no changes, the above minutes were approved as submitted.

6. Proclamation

A. [22-0059](#) Special Recognition of the Induction of Public Power Lineworkers from Hudson Public Power and Other Public Power Communities into the American Municipal Power, Inc. (AMP) Wall of Fame.

Brief Description: Mayor Anzevino will recognize Hudson Public Power Lineworkers and Lineworkers from all public power communities as they are formally inducted into the American Municipal Power, Inc., Wall of Fame.

Attachments: [HPP Lineworkers Proclamation 2022](#)

Mr. Comeriato accepted the proclamation on behalf of Hudson Public Power lineworkers.

7. Public Comments

Mr. Chris Thomas from Windstream Communications spoke about and presented a map of fiber coverage for the City of Hudson. He stated that much of the city has two providers and Windstream plans on covering areas where homes are being built.

8. Correspondence and Council Comments

Mr. Sutton withdrew his suggestion for a July 12, 2022, special meeting.

Mr. Banweg thanked staff for their efforts in collecting storm debris.

9. Report of Manager

Mr. Sheridan stated that there are new microphones in Chambers; pedestrian signals at Atterbury & SR 303, as well as at the Clocktower, will be installed in late July; brush cleanup will continue next week; the asphalt road program is 90 percent complete; and that there would not be an executive session at the end of the meeting.

10. Discussion Items

- A. [22-0060](#) **Prohibiting City Employees from Serving on Boards and Commissions**
Brief Description: Council President Foster has requested discussion regarding prohibiting City employees from serving on Boards and Commissions.

Mr. Foster stated this matter was brought forward by Mr. Pitchford due to an issue with a resident who was nominated but was considered a public official. There still exists a board member who also serves as a volunteer firefighter, who is also considered a public official.

Discussion followed. Mr. Foster will work with Mr. Pitchford to align an ordinance with the City Charter and will address questions raised by Councilmembers.

11. Appointments

A motion was made by Mr. Foster, seconded by Mrs. Kowalski, to appoint Mr. Karl Wetzel to fill the unexpired term left by the appointment of Mayor Anzevino to the Architectural and Historic Board of Review, as well as Mr. Paul Stoehr to a full term on the Tree Commission. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: 7 - Mrs. Bigham, Mr. Foster, Mrs. Heater, Mrs. Kowalski, Ms. Schlademan, Mr. Sutton and Mr. Banweg

12. Suspension of the Rules for the Consent Agenda

A motion was made by Mr. Foster, seconded by Ms. Schlademan, to suspend the rule requiring three readings. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: 7 - Mr. Foster, Mrs. Heater, Mrs. Kowalski, Ms. Schlademan, Mr. Sutton, Mr. Banweg and Mrs. Bigham

Approval of the Consent Agenda

A motion was made by Mr. Foster, seconded by Mrs. Heater, to approve the Consent Agenda. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: 7 - Mrs. Heater, Mrs. Kowalski, Ms. Schlademan, Mr. Sutton, Mr. Banweg, Mrs. Bigham and Mr. Foster

- A. [22-0061](#) **A Motion to Acknowledge the Timely Receipt of the May 2022 Monthly Financial Report**
Brief Description: Financial summaries are provided each month for Council's review.

Attachments: [May 2022 Financial Report](#)

Motion No. 22-0061 was approved on the Consent Agenda.

- B. [22-83](#) **A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER TO BID AND AWARD THE CLOCK TOWER REPAIR PROJECT; AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.**

Brief Description: This project involves the disassembly of the Hudson clock works and fabrication of new replacement parts for the refurbishing of the Hudson clock tower clock works, and reassembly to restore the clock mechanism to normal operations.

Attachments: [Quote - Roger Gordon Clockmakers Limited](#)
[Resolution No. 22-83](#)

Resolution No. 22-83 was approved on the Consent Agenda.

- C. [22-84](#) **A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE INTERIM CITY MANAGER TO ENTER INTO AN AGREEMENT WITH EXCELLANCE INC. FOR THE UPGRADE, REPAIRS AND MODIFICATIONS TO AMBULANCE COMPARTMENTS AND LIGHTING AND INSTALLATION OF A REAR PATIENT COMPARTMENT AIR CONDITIONING SYSTEM AND ALL ASSOCIATED ACCESSORY EQUIPMENT; AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.**

Brief Description: This is a budgeted 2022 project that was previously scheduled for the fall of 2022 to make modifications to Ambulance 4012's structural compartments, lighting and add a rear compartment air conditioning system. The manufacturer informed us this week of an opening in their schedule in July and offered to move this vehicle up in the schedule to early July. In order to have this work done, we have to secure the purchase order prior to the work starting by early July. The scheduled timing of this repair work is what requires the emergency designation and the suspension of the rules.

Attachments: [Resolution No. 22-84](#)

Resolution No. 22-84 was approved on the Consent Agenda.

13. Legislation

- A. [22-70](#) **AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CODIFIED ORDINANCE SECTIONS 660.08(c)(4)(D) AND 672.12(f)(2) AND REGULATING THE USE OF CONSUMER GRADE FIREWORKS; AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.**

Brief Description: The legislation seeks to change the local ordinance regarding fireworks to match the State of Ohio law that will go into effect on July 1, 2022.

Attachments: [Ordinance No. 22-70](#)

Ms. Schlademan reported that the City of Akron fire chief says that fireworks are the cause of 19,000 fires in the United States each year, with over 9,000 injuries. She recommended that the City closely watch this fireworks season to see if any changes need to be made to the legislation.

Mr. Banweg asked residents to pay attention to the explosive nature of fireworks and be cautious if you are setting off fireworks for the first time.

A motion was made by Mr. Sutton, seconded by Mr. Foster, that this Ordinance be adopted on third reading. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: 7 - Mrs. Kowalski, Ms. Schlademan, Mr. Sutton, Mr. Banweg, Mrs. Bigham, Mr. Foster and Mrs. Heater

- B. [22-79](#) AN ORDINANCE AMENDING SECTIONS 220.03, 220.031, AND 220.06 OF THE CODIFIED ORDINANCES TO ADD PROVISIONS GOVERNING THE INTRODUCTION OF ORDINANCES AND RESOLUTIONS ON REGULAR AND SPECIAL CITY COUNCIL AGENDAS.
Brief Description: The ordinance intends to clarify the process of the introduction of ordinances and resolutions that are placed on a regular or special City Council meeting agenda.
Attachments: [Ordinance No. 22-79](#)
- Mayor Anzevino read the title of Ordinance No. 22-79, which constituted its second reading.
- C. [22-80](#) A RESOLUTION AMENDING THE STORM WATER WORK POLICY IN ITS ENTIRETY; AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.
Brief Description: An Ad Hoc Storm Water Committee which included both City Council members and City staff were appointed to review and update the current Storm Water Policy.
Attachments: [Storm Water Policy - DRAFT](#)
[Storm Water Scoring Sheet - DRAFT](#)
[Private Property Storm Water Issues Analyzed](#)
[Resolution No. 22-80](#)
- Mayor Anzevino read the title of Resolution No. 22-80, which constituted its second reading.
- D. [22-81](#) AN ORDINANCE AMENDING SECTION 660.22, “OBSTRUCTING SEWERS AND WATERCOURSES”, OF THE GENERAL OFFENSES CODE AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.
Brief Description: This ordinance amendment would update the City’s General Offenses Code at Section 660.22, “Obstructing Sewers and Watercourses” to better protect private property owners and public infrastructure from flooding and diversion of storm water caused by adjacent property owners.
Attachments: [Current C.O. 660 \(compared with Revised C.O. 660.22, Obstructing Ditches, etc\)](#)
[Ordinance No. 22-81](#)
- Mayor Anzevino read the title of Ordinance No. 22-81, which constituted its second reading.
- E. [22-82](#) A RESOLUTION REPEALING RESOLUTION NO. 21-149 AND WITHDRAWING THE AUTHORIZATION GRANTED TO THE CITY MANAGER TO ENTER INTO A PURCHASE AND SALE

AGREEMENT WITH FAIRMOUNT PROPERTIES, LLC FOR THE SALE OF THE REAL PROPERTY LOCATED IN THE DOWNTOWN AREA ADJACENT TO THE FIRST & MAIN DEVELOPMENT IN THE CITY OF HUDSON; AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

Brief Description: City Council and the City administration have considered and discussed the sale of the Property, the terms thereof, and certain development proposals for the Property submitted by Fairmount and determined that it is not appropriate to move forward with the consummation of the sale of the Property to Fairmount and the development thereof as currently proposed by Fairmount.

Attachments: [Resolution No. 22-82](#)

Mayor Anzevino read the title of Resolution No. 22-82, which constituted its second reading.

14. Executive Session

The executive session did not occur.

15. Adjournment

There being no further business, Mayor Anzevino adjourned the meeting at 8:05 p.m.

Jeffrey L. Anzevino, Mayor

Aparna Wheeler, Clerk of Council

Upon approval by City Council, this official written summary of the meeting minutes shall become a permanent record, and the official minutes shall also consist of a permanent audio and video recording, excluding executive sessions, in accordance with Codified Ordinances, Section 220.03(d), Rules.