



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)
Michael W. Bird, Council Member (Ward 4)
Patricia L. Goetz, Council Member (Ward 1)
Karen E. Heater, Council Member (At-Large)
Nicole V. Kowalski, Council Member (At-Large)
Skylar J. Sutton, Council Member (Ward 3)

Thomas J. Sheridan, City Manager
Marshal Pitchford, Acting City Solicitor & Special Counsel
Aparna Wheeler, Clerk of Council

Tuesday, April 16, 2024

7:30 PM

Town Hall
27 East Main Street

1. Call to Order

Mayor Anzevino called to order the meeting of Hudson City Council at 7:30 p.m., in accordance with the Sunshine Laws of the State of Ohio, O.R.C. Section 121.22.

2. Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag

3. Roll Call

Present: 7 - Mr. Banweg, Dr. Bird, Mr. Foster, Dr. Goetz, Mrs. Heater, Mrs. Kowalski and Mr. Sutton

Staff in Attendance: Mr. Sheridan, City Manager; Mr. Pitchford, Acting City Solicitor & Special Counsel; Ms. Wheeler, Clerk of Council; Mr. Comeriato, Assistant City Manager - Operations; Mr. Hannan, Community Development Director; Mr. Knoblauch, Assistant City Manager - Financial/Special Projects; Mr. Kosco, City Engineer; and Mr. Leiter, HCTV Production Assistant.

4. Approval of the Minutes

A. [24-0037](#)

Minutes of Previous Council Meetings

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

Attachments: [April 9, 2024 Combined Council Meeting & Workshop - Draft](#)

A motion was made by Mrs. Heater, seconded by Mr. Banweg, that the Minutes be approved as submitted. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: 7 - Mr. Banweg, Dr. Bird, Mr. Foster, Dr. Goetz, Mrs. Heater, Mrs. Kowalski and Mr. Sutton

5. Proclamations

- A. [24-0038](#) **Special Recognition of Arbor Day 2024**
Brief Description: Mayor Anzevino will proclaim April 20, 2024 as “Arbor Day” in Hudson.
Attachments: [Arbor Day 2024](#)
- Mr. Foster commented that the City invests a lot in our parks and has a greater greenspace than other communities. He thanked several boards and organizations for their time and effort into maintaining and preserving the parks.*
- Mayor Anzevino read the proclamation in its entirety.**
- B. [24-0039](#) **Special Recognition of Lemonade Day**
Brief Description: Mayor Anzevino will proclaim May 4-5, 2024 as “Lemonade Day” in Hudson, recognizing Seton Catholic School’s participation in the program.
Attachments: [Lemonade Day 2024](#)
- Students and teachers from Seton Catholic School accepted the proclamation.*
- Mayor Anzevino read the proclamation in its entirety.**
- C. [24-0040](#) **Special Recognition of Week of the Young Child**
Brief Description: Mayor Anzevino will proclaim the week of April 22-27, 2024 in Hudson, recognizing Week of the Young Child. Members of Hudson Preschool Parents will be in attendance to accept this Proclamation.
Attachments: [Week of the Young Child 2024](#)
- Mayor Anzevino read the proclamation in its entirety.**
- D. [24-0041](#) **Special Recognition of Public Service Recognition Week**
Brief Description: Mayor Anzevino will proclaim the week of May 5-11, 2024, as “Public Service Recognition Week” in Hudson.
Attachments: [Public Service Recognition 2024](#)
- Mayor Anzevino read the proclamation in its entirety.**

6. Public Comments

None.

7. Correspondence and Council Comments

Dr. Goetz stated that the Cemetery Board will receive a presentation from Hudson Historical Society on May 9 for the restoration work at the Township Cemetery and Mr. Wash is researching the number of current plots available to update Council. She also stated that the Architectural & Historic Board of Review received an application for a glass fence around a pool, for which there is currently no provision in the City Code.

Mrs. Kowalski announced the April 20th Earth Day celebration and events taking place on the Gazebo and Clocktower Greens.

Mrs. Heater thanked Mr. Kosco and staff for addressing resident concerns about the Valley View sidewalk project and recounted the history of the baby box discussion at Council workshops.

Mr. Banweg read into the record two pieces of correspondence regarding the Safe Haven Baby Box discussion on April 9th. He also gave a Fiber to the Home Committee update.

Mr. Foster thanked members who attended the various Connectivity Plan meetings and Mr. Kosco for communicating with residents on the pause of the Valley View sidewalk project.

Mayor Anzevino wished Ms. Doris Brooks a happy 100th birthday, thanked Chief Varnes for facilitating the Stuff the Box food drive, and announced the official dedication of the 365 rock garden on Friday, April 19th at 2:30pm.

Further discussion followed about Safe Haven Baby Boxes.

8. Report of Manager

In light of Public Service Recognition Week, Mr. Sheridan thanked the Mayor and Council for their service as well as all the different City departments. He also noted that Hudson Public Power was recognized by AMP with its 2023 Safe Operating Award of Excellence, recognized National Work Zone Awareness Week, and reported on a successful Stuff the Box food drive.

9. Discussion Item

- A. [23-0074](#) Continued discussion of a new City Flag**
Brief Description: Mayor Anzevino and City Council will continue to discuss a new City flag. Kent State University School of Visual Communication Design have submitted flag designs for City Council consideration.
Attachments: [17-46 Ordinance repealing CO 204.01 City Flag \(02299419x9EF3B\)](#)
[City Flag Designs](#)

Mayor Anzevino led the discussion about a new City flag. He provided background on the project and described three flags. There was consensus to move forward with design #1 with possible edits.

This matter was discussed.

10. Appointments

No appointments were made, however, Mr. Foster announced vacancies on various boards as well as a new partial term opening on the Board of Zoning and Building Appeals.

11. Suspension of the Rules for the Consent Agenda

A motion was made by Mr. Sutton, seconded by Mr. Foster, to suspend the rule requiring three readings, except for Ordinance No. 24-48. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: 7 - Dr. Bird, Mr. Foster, Dr. Goetz, Mrs. Heater, Mrs. Kowalski, Mr. Sutton and Mr. Banweg

Approval of the Consent Agenda

A motion was made by Mr. Sutton, seconded by Mr. Foster, to approve the Consent Agenda, except for Ordinance No. 24-48. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: 7 - Mr. Foster, Dr. Goetz, Mrs. Heater, Mrs. Kowalski, Mr. Sutton, Mr. Banweg and Dr. Bird

- A. [24-0042](#) **A Motion to Acknowledge the Timely Receipt of the March 2024 Monthly Financial Report**
Brief Description: Financial summaries are provided each month for Council's review.
Attachments: [March 2024 Financial Report](#)

Motion No. 24-0042 was approved on the Consent Agenda.

- B. [24-0043](#) **A Motion Directing the Clerk to Send Notice to the Ohio Division of Liquor Control Indicating No Request for a Hearing Regarding a New Permit to Sell Alcoholic Beverages for KVD Hudson LLC DBA Barrio, Hudson.**
Brief Description: The Clerk is in receipt of the attached Notice to Legislative Authority dated March 19, 2024, from the Ohio Division of Liquor Control concerning the opportunity to request a hearing regarding this permit. The City's response must be postmarked no later than April 12, 2024, however, due to Council's schedule, an extension was granted until May 13, 2024.
Attachments: [Police record check for KVD Hudson LLC DBA Barrio](#)
[Notice to Legislative Authority - KVD Hudson LLC DBA Barrio](#)
[ODLC Extension to 5/13/24](#)

Motion 24-0043 was approved on the Consent Agenda.

- C. [24-39](#) **AN ORDINANCE AMENDING ORDINANCE NO. 23-134, MAKING APPROPRIATIONS FOR THE CURRENT EXPENSES AND OTHER EXPENDITURES OF THE CITY OF HUDSON DURING THE FISCAL YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 2024 BY MAKING ADDITIONAL AND/OR AMENDED APPROPRIATIONS.**
Brief Description: This Ordinance will amend the 2024 budget for additional and/or amended appropriations as listed in the attached Exhibit A.

Attachments: [1st Appropriation Exhibit A](#)
[Ordinance No. 24-39](#)

Ordinance No. 24-39 was approved on the Consent Agenda.

- D. [24-40](#) **A RESOLUTION TO APPROVE A THEN AND NOW CERTIFICATE FOR A PURCHASE MADE; AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.**
Brief Description: Council authorization is required for payment of the invoice shown on this Resolution in excess of \$3,000, for which a commitment was made before a Purchase Order was generated. Approval required for: Weston Hurd - Legal Services, \$3,676.50.
Attachments: [Resolution No. 24-40](#)

Resolution No. 24-40 was approved on the Consent Agenda.

- E. [24-41](#) **A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER TO ENTER INTO A PROFESSIONAL SERVICES CONTRACT WITH QUALITY CONTROL INSPECTION, INC. FOR CONSTRUCTION ADMINISTRATION SUPPORT SERVICES FOR THE VALLEY VIEW ROAD RESURFACING PROJECT (PID 116932); AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.**
Brief Description: The project includes the resurfacing of Valley View Road from the North Corporation line, southeast to SR 91. Staff is requesting permission to hire a professional construction management firm to provide supporting services for the construction management and inspection needs for the project.
Attachments: [Resolution No. 24-41](#)

Resolution No. 24-41 was approved on the Consent Agenda.

- F. [24-42](#) **A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER TO ADVERTISE FOR BIDS AND TO ENTER INTO A CONTRACT FOR THE N. OVIATT STREET PHASE 1 IMPROVEMENTS TO THE COLLECTION SYSTEM WITH THE LOWEST AND BEST BIDDER.**
Brief Description: Residents on N. Oviatt Street notified the city that during a 2022 heavy rain, flows caused overland flooding near their homes. The N. Oviatt Street Storm Improvement Project involves increasing the number of access points for water to get into an existing storm box culvert. The improvements will reduce the overland flooding, with an estimated project cost of \$100,000 including a 10% contingency.
Attachments: [Exhibit A: N. Oviatt Storm Improvements - Phase 1](#)
[Resolution No. 24-42](#)

Resolution No. 24-42 was approved on the Consent Agenda.

- G. [24-43](#) **A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER TO**

ADVERTISE FOR BIDS AND TO ENTER INTO A CONTRACT FOR THE ALISA COURT DRAINAGE DITCH PROJECT WITH THE LOWEST AND BEST BIDDER.

Brief Description: Residents on Alisa Court off of Nicholson Drive notified the City that during heavier rains, flows along the drainage ditch adjacent to their property are causing erosion. The Alisa Court Drainage Ditch Project involves adding channel protection along a sharp bend in the ditch and removing obstructions and minor regrading to reduce ditch flooding and sediment transport, with an estimated project cost of \$250,000 including a 10% contingency.

Attachments: [Alisa Court Drainage Improvements](#)
[Resolution No. 24-43](#)

Resolution No. 24-43 was approved on the Consent Agenda.

- H. [24-44](#) **A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER TO ENTER INTO A PROFESSIONAL SERVICES CONTRACT WITH GAI CONSULTANTS, INC. FOR THE DESIGN OF THE STOW ROAD SIDEWALK IMPROVEMENT PROJECT BETWEEN SR 303 AND RAVENNA STREET.**

Brief Description: . The purpose of this request for proposal (RFP) was to solicit proposals from professional design, engineering and surveying consultants (Consultant) for the analysis, engineering, and design of a 5-ft. pedestrian sidewalk along Stow Road from E. Streetsboro Road (SR 303) to Ravenna Street, including storm design, retaining walls, crosswalks, traffic signage, pedestrian signals, street lighting, pavement striping, and other miscellaneous design items as described in the formal Request for Proposals (RFP).

Attachments: [Resolution No. 24-44](#)

Resolution No. 24-44 was approved on the Consent Agenda.

- I. [24-45](#) **A RESOLUTION AFFIRMING THE APPLICATION SUBMITTED BY THE CITY MANAGER'S DESIGNEE TO SENATOR SHERROD BROWN'S CONGRESSIONALLY DIRECTED SPENDING (CDS) REQUESTS FOR FISCAL YEAR 2025 FOR THE NICHOLSON DRIVE WATER TRANSMISSION LINE PROJECT; AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.**

Brief Description: The City of Hudson continues to seek funding sources for the Nicholson Water Transmission Line Project for the betterment of the Hudson Water System in Summit County, Ohio.

Attachments: [Staff Report - Sherrod Brown CDS](#)
[Nicholson Drive Water Transmission Line Map Exhibit 3.8.2023](#)
[Resolution No. 24-45](#)

Resolution No. 24-45 was approved on the Consent Agenda.

- J. [24-46](#) **A RESOLUTION AFFIRMING THE APPLICATION SUBMITTED BY THE CITY MANAGER’S DESIGNEE TO THE OHIO DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SAFETY, DIVISION OF EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES, FOR AN EMS PRIORITY ONE TRAINING AND EQUIPMENT GRANT ON BEHALF OF HUDSON EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES.**

Brief Description: The Ohio Department of Public Safety, Division of Emergency Medical Services, provides a grant to assist EMS with purchase of approved training and equipment. Estimated funding is determined in June, based on the amount of funding available for the program. No matching funds are required.

Attachments: [Resolution No. 24-46](#)

Resolution No. 24-46 was approved on the Consent Agenda.

- K. [24-47](#) **A RESOLUTION RETROACTIVELY APPROVING THE TERMS AND CONDITIONS OF A COLLECTIVE BARGAINING AGREEMENT WITH THE OHIO PATROLMEN’S BENEVOLENT ASSOCIATION (FULL-TIME DISPATCHERS BARGAINING UNIT) FOR THE YEARS 2024 THROUGH 2026 AND AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER TO ENTER INTO SAID AGREEMENT, AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.**

Brief Description: This legislation seeks approval of the terms and conditions of the collective bargaining agreement that was negotiated by the City Manager with the Ohio Patrolmen’s Benevolent Association and authorization for the City Manager to enter into said agreement.

Attachments: [Hudson Dispatchers CBA 2024-2026](#)
 [Hudson Dispatchers 2024-2026 \(redlined\)](#)
 [Resolution No. 24-47](#)

Resolution No. 24-47 was approved on the Consent Agenda.

Removed from the Consent Agenda

- L. [24-48](#) **AN ORDINANCE AMENDING ORDINANCE 23-134, MAKING APPROPRIATIONS FOR THE CURRENT EXPENSES AND OTHER EXPENDITURES OF THE CITY OF HUDSON DURING THE FISCAL YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 2024, BY MAKING ADDITIONAL AND/OR AMENDED APPROPRIATIONS RELATED TO LEGAL EXPENSES**

Brief Description: This Ordinance amends appropriations for legal services for the acting City Solicitor and union negotiations/fact finding.

Attachments: [1st Appropriation Exhibit A - Legal Only - FINAL REVISED](#)
[Ordinance No. 24-48 - FINAL REVISED](#)

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

Aye: 7 - Dr. Goetz, Mrs. Heater, Mrs. Kowalski, Mr. Sutton, Mr. Banweg, Dr. Bird and Mr. Foster

Dr. Goetz provided an explanation for the amount of legal fees.

A motion was made by Mr. Foster, seconded by Dr. Bird, that Ordinance No. 24-48 be adopted with rule suspension. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: 7 - Mrs. Heater, Mrs. Kowalski, Mr. Sutton, Mr. Banweg, Dr. Bird, Mr. Foster and Dr. Goetz

12. Legislation

- A. [24-35](#) **A RESOLUTION APPROVING THE RENEWAL APPLICATION FOR PLACEMENT OF LAND IN A CURRENT AGRICULTURAL USE DISTRICT FOR PURPOSES OF O.R.C. 929.02 FOR JOSEPH STRIBRNY, 5578 SHAWNEE TRAIL AND 896 TEREX ROAD, HUDSON, OHIO; AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.**

Brief Description: Mr. Joseph Stribrny has submitted a renewal Application for Placement of Farmland in an Agricultural District for property located at 5578 Shawnee Trail and 896 Terex Road in Hudson.

Attachments: [Application](#)
[CD Inspection 2.28.24](#)
[Notice of Public Hearing Stribrny 3-19-24](#)
[Resolution No. 24-35](#)

A motion was made by Mr. Foster, seconded by Mr. Banweg, that Resolution No. 24-35 be adopted on third reading. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: 7 - Mrs. Kowalski, Mr. Sutton, Mr. Banweg, Dr. Bird, Mr. Foster, Dr. Goetz and Mrs. Heater

- B. [24-38](#) **A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER TO ENTER INTO A LEASE AGREEMENT WITH CHRIST COMMUNITY CHAPEL AND ITS THE MEN OF THE WORD BIBLE STUDY FOR SPACE AT CITY HALL.**

Brief Description: The Men of the Word Bible Study group would like to secure a space in City Hall.

Attachments: [Men of the Word Bible Study cabinet](#)
[Exhibit A: Rental Agreement: The Men of the Word Bible Study](#)
[Resolution No. 24-38](#)

Mayor Anzevino read the title of Resolution No. 24-38, which constituted its second reading.

- C. [24-49](#) **AN ORDINANCE AMENDING SECTION 410.01, SCHEDULE I, “EXISTING POSTED SPEED LIMITS,” OF THE TRAFFIC CODE TO LOWER THE SPEED LIMIT FROM 35 MILES PER HOUR TO 30 MILES PER HOUR ON E. STREETSBORO STREET (SR 303) BETWEEN COLLEGE STREET AND N. HAYDEN PARKWAY; AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.**

Brief Description: Based upon the results of a recent Speed Zone Study submitted to the Ohio Department of Transportation, it has been determined that the speed limit along E. Streetsboro Street (SR 303) from College Street to N. Hayden Parkway should be lowered from 35 mph to 30 mph.

Attachments: [Exhibit - SR 303 Speed Limit Lowering](#)
 [Ordinance No. 24-49](#)

Mayor Anzevino read the title of Ordinance No. 24-49, which constituted its first reading.

- D. [24-50](#) **A RESOLUTION ACCEPTING THE RECOMMENDATIONS OF THE TAX INCENTIVE REVIEW COUNCIL TO CONTINUE COMMUNITY REINVESTMENT AREA AGREEMENTS AND JOB CREATION GRANT PROGRAM AGREEMENTS WITH THE CITY OF HUDSON, COUNTY OF SUMMIT.**

Brief Description: The City has established a Tax Incentive Review Council (TIRC) to periodically review each existing Community Reinvestment Area (CRA) and Job Creation Grant Agreement for compliance and to make recommendations to continue, modify or terminate each of the agreements. The duly appointed TIRC met on March 5, 2024, reviewed each CRA and Job Creation Grant Agreement and made certain recommendations to City Council.

Attachments: [TIRC Minutes 3.5.2024](#)
 [Resolution No. 24-50](#)

Mayor Anzevino read the title of Resolution No. 24-50, which constituted its first reading.

13. **Executive Session**

A motion was made by Mr. Foster, seconded by Mr. Sutton, to enter into executive session to consider the appointment and compensation of a public employee, to consider the purchase of property for public purposes, and to conference with legal counsel regarding pending litigation. Invited to executive session were all members of Council, the Mayor, and the City Manager. The motion carried by the following roll call vote:

Aye: 7 - Mr. Sutton, Mr. Banweg, Dr. Bird, Mr. Foster, Dr. Goetz, Mrs. Heater and Mrs. Kowalski

Mayor Anzevino recessed the regular meeting at 8:54 p.m. and reconvened the regular meeting at 9:46 p.m.

14. Adjournment

There being no further business, Mayor Anzevino adjourned the meeting at 9:46 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.