

Minutes of April 1, 2021 Council

Regular Meeting of the Clayton, Ohio City Council
Clayton Government Center
April 1, 2021

Due to the Governor's orders on limited size of meetings Clayton's City Council conducted its regularly scheduled City Council meeting on Thursday April 1, 2021 via the Zoom meeting format

CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order by Mayor Stevens at 7:19 PM. Present were Mayor Stevens and Councilmembers Bachman, Henning, Gorman, Merkle, Kelly, and Lieberman.

Mayor Stevens advised the published Agenda stated we would be presenting a Proclamation to Pat Mathes this evening. Due to a scheduling conflict with Mr. Mathes, we have moved the presentation to our April 15th City Council meeting so Pat could be in attendance. Motion by Bachman to amend tonight's agenda to remove the Special Presentation, motion was second by Merkle. All yeas, motion passed.

CLERK'S REPORT

Clerk Seim presented the minutes of the March 18, 2021 City Council meeting. Motion by Gorman, second by Kelly to approve the minutes as presented. All yeas, motion passed.

OLD BUSINESS

Ordinance No. O – ZC – 21 – 01 An Ordinance Approving the Planning Commission's Recommendation to Approve the Application of William and Mary Lauer for a Change in Zoning from R-3 (Suburban Residential) to I (General Industrial) for Property Located at 6892 Salem Avenue (Parcel I.D. M60 03207 0015) and Containing 6.12 Acres within the City of Clayton, Ohio. Second reading, no further discussion. Motion by Gorman to approve the Ordinance, second by Bachman. All yeas, motion carried.

NEW BUSINESS

Resolution No. R – 04 – 21 – 26 A Resolution Authorizing Participation in the ODOT Road Salt Contracts Awarded in 2021. Amanda Zimmerlin, City Manager, advised she could answer any questions Council may have, none were heard. Motion by Henning to approve the Resolution, second by Kelly. All yeas, motion carried.

CITY MANAGER'S REPORT

Zimmerlin advised we are hosting our annual Sweep Clayton Clean spring event on Saturday, May 22nd from 8:00 AM to Noon, or when the dumpsters are full at 200 Woolery Lane. At our last meeting it was discussed the federal tax deadline was extended to May 17th. The Ohio Tax Commissioner announced Wednesday, March 24th that Ohio will be following the federal government and IRS extending the deadline to file to May 17th, and the City taxes have also been extended. With that, CCA will extend their tax assistance that same amount of time, they will be picking up tax forms at the Government Center each Thursday through May 6th, stopping at May 6th due to the anticipated high volume towards the deadline. April is National Districted Driving Awareness Month. Despite the lower traffic volume in 2020 due to the pandemic, traffic

fatalities were up in Ohio. Law enforcement and others well-informed about traffic issues consider distracted driving to be a prominent factor in the increased fatalities. Gov. DeWine, the Ohio Department of Transportation, the Ohio Department of Public Safety, and the Ohio State Highway Patrol are all actively working with other safety advocates to identify and implement solutions to this danger. While the State Government works on this issue, the City of Clayton would like to remind all drivers to be aware of the dangers posed by diverting your attention, from operating your vehicle, to your electronic devices.

VISITOR'S COMMENTS

None heard.

COUNCIL MEMBER COMMENTS

Merkle reminded everyone to please wear your masks, get vaccinated and stay safe. Lieberman was attending the meeting via Zoom from Alaska, so he said he looks forward to seeing everyone in person at our next meeting. Kelly wished everyone a Happy Easter and stated she heard the Easter Egg Hunt last weekend was a great success. Gorman thanked the staff for the Easter Egg Hunt, he heard they put out over 2,800 eggs, there was a big crowd and all the kids were happy, and everyone went home with a basket full of Easter eggs. I want to thank Amanda and staff for all the work they put into the event. Also, I wish everyone a Happy Easter, Happy Passover or whatever else you may be celebrating this weekend. Henning thanked the staff members who worked the Easter Egg Hunt, it was over with within five minutes as usual. Thank you to everyone who worked to put on the event. Amanda discussed April being distracted driving month, but April is also Autism Awareness Month. Enjoy your Easter weekend and Happy Passover. Bachman stated I hope everyone enjoys your religious holiday. And, it should be a national holiday - happy opening day for baseball. Stevens wished everyone a Happy Easter, I hope everyone has a great weekend, and summer will be here soon.

Motion by Gorman, second by Kelly to adjourn. All yeas, motion carried.

Meeting adjourned at 7:34 PM.