

Council met in regular session with six of the nine members present: G. Phillips, A. Phillips, Park, Proehl, Henderson, and Nickerson. In addition to Mayor Feeney, City Auditor Spetnagel and Law Director Villarreal, the audience included many members of the public and media representation.

President Gieringer asked for a motion to excuse Ms. Payne, Ms. Preston and Mr. Fairrow from the meeting. Mr. Greg Phillips made the motion and Ms. Park seconded. Council members Henderson, Nickerson, G. Phillips, A. Phillips, Park and Proehl all voted "yea" and President Gieringer declared the absent members excused from the meeting.

President Gieringer asked if there were any additions or correction to the minutes of the previous meeting. There were none and Pres. Gieringer asked for a motion to accept the minutes as they are. Ms. Henderson made the motion and Mr. Phillips seconded. All members in attendance voted "yea" and the motion was passed.

President Gieringer led the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

### COMMITTEE REPORTS:

**COMMUNITY AFFAIRS:** Mr. Greg Phillips reported that this committee has one item on the agenda which is a third reading of an ordinance authorizing the Mayor to enter into an agreement with the Hope Partnership and appropriating \$20,000.00. He also reported that a committee meeting was held at 6:35 in regard to Trap/Neuter/Release for feral cats.

\*\*\*\*Mr. Greg Phillips made a motion to move into executive session. Mr. Proehl seconded. All members in attendance voted "yea" and the motion was passed and Council moved into executive session. \*\*\*\*

**FINANCE:** Mr. Anthony Phillips reported that this committee has two items on the agenda. The first reading of an ordinance appropriating \$12,265.36 in insurance funds received as a security as the result of a structure fire at 97 King Street and declaring an emergency. Also, an ordinance appropriating \$32,000.00 in insurance funds received as security as the result of a structure fire at 382 McArthur Street, Chillicothe, Ohio and declaring an emergency. Mr. Phillips also reported that there were 4 committee meetings this evening. The first two were about the structure fire items, the third was concerning Assignment 22-090 (salaries) and the fourth meeting was about Assignment 22-091 appropriation of tax funds.

**DEVELOPMENT:** Ms. Nickerson reported that this committee has one item on the agenda which is a third reading of a resolution authorizing the appropriation of funds in the amount of \$7,709.00 as participating local funds for the Ohio Valley Regional Development Commission on behalf of the City of Chillicothe, Ohio for the fiscal year 2023 and declaring an emergency.

**PARKS AND RECREATION:** Ms. Henderson reported that this committee has no items on the agenda for the evening, but a committee meeting was held earlier in the evening about Assignment 22-093 regarding an increase in price for a lawn mower that was ordered in 2019 and due to inflation, went up in price. Ms. Henderson shared about the increase in calls to the visitor's bureau and how exciting that it. She also shared about the upcoming Sunflower Festival in Frankfort the weekend of July 30<sup>th</sup>.

**HUMAN RESOURCES:** In the absence of Ms. Payne there was no report for this committee.

**SAFETY SERVICE:** In the absence of Ms. Preston, Mr. Phillips gave a report for the Safety Service Committee. This committee has six items on the agenda this evening. Due to not having enough council members present there will not be an option to waive the three-read rule on any items. Mr. Phillips shared about upcoming committee meetings: August 1<sup>st</sup> @ 6pm regarding 22-059 (VOCA funding), Assignment 22-089 (unclaimed funds appropriation) and Assignment 22-092 (appropriation of funds/fireworks payment). ON July 20<sup>th</sup> at 10am there was also a committee meeting where three assignments were discussed 22-069 (nuisance code enforcement update), 22-084 (IT position addition), and 22-085 (cruiser build). The first item on the agenda for Safety Services is a third reading accepting and appropriating \$500 for Crisis Intervention training, the second is a third reading of an ordinance

accepting and appropriating funds in the amount of \$1,301.20 for police overtime, the third item is the third reading of an ordinance accepting and appropriating funds in the amount \$1,468.99 for Police Department uniforms and body armor, the fourth item is a third reading of an ordinance accepting and appropriating insurance reimbursement funds in the amount of \$22,177.00 for the replacement of a totaled police cruiser, the fifth item is the first reading of an ordinance reallocating Municipal Court capital funds in the amount of \$10,000.00 and declaring an emergency, and the final item is the first reading of an ordinance amending Section 121.03 of the Codified Ordinances of Chillicothe and declaring an emergency.

**TRANSIT:** In the absence of Mr. Fairrow there was no report for this committee.

**ENGINEERING:** In the absence of Mr. Fairrow there was no report for this committee.

**UTILITIES:** There was no report for this committee.

## REPORTS OF OFFICIALS:

**Mayor Luke Feeney:** Mayor Feeney shared his support of agenda items number 1 & 2. Mayor Feeney thanked Council for waiving the rules on bidding for the Water and Watt Street repair. The extent of the damage could have been much worse, but they discovered that the sewer lines are very old and when a camera was placed inside the line it was discovered many more linear feet of line was in similar state. There has been a recommendation to do the entire repair at the price of \$300,000. Because it will become problem sooner rather than later. Bids have come in for the Administration building boiler install. The timeline is 14 weeks, and the city will be coming to Council to request to appropriate funds for this project. The next Mayor's Office Hours will be in Southern Playground at 3pm on August 2<sup>nd</sup>. This is an event for the community to get involved and ask questions. The National Night Out is also taking place on August 2<sup>nd</sup>. He also shared that there should paving within the city started within the next two weeks.

**City Auditor Spetnagel:** Ms. Spetnagel shared that her office did not have a report, but she did introduce Angie Park as the new Deputy Auditor.

**Law Director Villarreal:** Ms. Villarreal stated that her office did not have a report.

**Council President Gieringer:** There was no report of the Council President.

## AUDIENCE PARTICIPATION:

Council President Gieringer briefed the audience on Council Rule 22.

Ed Parker, 3399 Owl Creek Road and Dick Booher 2016 Owl Creek Road, Mr. Parker and Mr. Booher came to council to share about their organization and event First Capital Ruck 22. This organization is to help bring awareness to veteran suicide. The event they are planning will consist of a 22k race and multiple 5k races. The event will take place in Yoctangee Park on October 15<sup>th</sup>, 2022. They will also have a concert by Ryan Daniels, an up-and-coming country singer.

Coleen Abathy, 1580 Orr Road, Ms. Abathy shared her approval of Council committing the Criminal Trespass legislation back to committee. She feels that many local churches would be more willing to help if they knew where their time and resources would best be used. Ms. Abathy shared her heart for wanting to help the homeless, but she feels they need to also help themselves. She encouraged Council to keep the public updated about this legislation moving forward.

## OLD BUSINESS:

Mr. Phillips made a motion to amend the previous meeting's agenda to include a committed legislation item that was left off at the last meeting, Mr. Proehl seconded. All members in attendance voted "yea" and Pres. Gieringer declared the motion passed.



Third reading of an ordinance appropriating \$20,000.00 of the Unaffiliated Fund of the City of Chillicothe and declaring an emergency. President Gieringer declared this item would move to the next agenda.

### NEW BUSINESS:

Ms. Henderson gave a follow-up statement concerning the Criminal Trespass legislation. She shared that there has been a committee formed to explore options for the homeless situation. There is an organization called Continuum of Care and this committee is partnering with them to help add direction to this situation. The next Continuum of Care meeting is August 6<sup>th</sup>.

### READING AND PASSAGE OF LEGISLATION:

Third reading of an ordinance authorizing the Mayor to enter into an agreement with the Hope Partnership and appropriating \$20,000.00. All members in attendance voted "yea" and the legislation was passed.

\*\*\* The emailed legislation the previous Friday was the wrong copy of the ordinance and due to only having 6 members of council present, there could not be a vote to waive the three-day receipt on the correct piece of legislation (that was carried in) so therefore it could not be read. Mr. Greg Phillips moved to un-read the legislation so it could move onto the next agenda as a third read and Ms. Henderson seconded. All members in attendance voted "yea" and the motion was passed.\*\*\*

Third reading of a resolution authorizing the appropriation of funds in the amount of \$7,709.00 as participating local funds for the Ohio Valley Regional Development Commission on behalf of the City of Chillicothe, Ohio, for the fiscal year 2023 and declaring an emergency. All members in attendance voted "yea" and President Gieringer declared Res. #21-22 adopted.

Third reading of an ordinance accepting and appropriating \$500.00 from a stipend received by the Police Chief to attend Crisis Intervention Training. All members in attendance voted "yea" and President Gieringer declared Ord. #43-22 adopted.

Third reading of an ordinance accepting and appropriating funds in the amount of \$1,301.20 for police overtime. All members in attendance voted "yea" and President Gieringer declared Ord. #44-22 adopted.

Third reading of an ordinance accepting and appropriating funds in the amount of \$1,468.99 for the Police Department uniforms and body armor. All members in attendance voted "yea" and President Gieringer declared Ord. #45-22 adopted.

Third reading of an ordinance accepting and appropriating insurance reimbursement funds in the amount of \$22,177.00 for the replacement of a totaled Police Department cruiser. All members in attendance voted "yea" and President Gieringer declared Ord. #46-22 adopted.

Second reading of an ordinance appropriating \$80,000.00 for Code Enforcement and Information Technology services. President Gieringer declared this item would move to the next agenda.

Second reading of an ordinance authorizing the City of Chillicothe to apply for a loan from the Ohio Environmental Protection Agency. President Gieringer declared this item would move to the next agenda.

First reading of an ordinance appropriating \$12,265.36 in insurance funds received as security as the result of a structure fire at 97 King Street, Chillicothe, Ohio and declaring an emergency. President Gieringer declared this item would move to the next agenda.

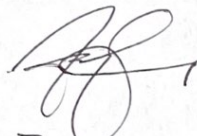
First reading of an ordinance appropriating \$32,000.00 in insurance funds received as security as the result of a structure fire at 382 South McArthur Street, Chillicothe, Ohio, and declaring an emergency. President Gieringer declared this item would move to the next agenda.

First reading of an ordinance reallocating Municipal Court capital funds in the amount of \$10,000.00 and declaring an emergency. President Gieringer declared this item would move to the next agenda.

Council Chambers  
Regular Meeting  
July 25<sup>th</sup>, 2022  
7:00pm

First reading of an Ordinance amending Section 121.03 of the Codified Ordinances of the City of Chillicothe and declaring an emergency. President Gieringer declared this item would move to the next agenda.

President Gieringer asked for a motion to adjourn. Ms. Nickerson made the motion, Mr. Greg Phillips seconded. All members in attendance voted "yea" and the meeting was adjourned at



PRESIDENT OF COUNCIL

Kennedy Moss  
Clerk of Council