

CITY OF GERMANTOWN COUNCIL

MONDAY, AUGUST 7, 23

The City of Germantown Council met in regular session on August 7, 2023 at 7:00 p.m. in the City Hall Council Chambers.

MEMBERS PRESENT:

The following members were present at the Call to Order: Mayor Terry Johnson, Mrs. Bonnie Koogle, Mr. Michael Kuhn, Mr. Rick Reed, Mr. Robert Rettich IV and Mr. Brian Wafzig.

MEMBERS ABSENT:

Mr. Jeffrey Jones was absent.

ALSO PRESENT:

Also present were Judy Gilleland, City Manager; Tom Schiff, Law Director; Pat Shively, Finance Director; Chip Wirrig, Service Department; Ken Conaway, Project Manager; Pat Higgins, Grant Writer; Will Parsons, Community Relations Manager; Kelli Sanders-Novak, Clerk of Council and several visitors.

PUBLIC RECOGNITION:

Mayor Johnson presented the Kuhn Family, owners of Kuhns Hardware with a Certificate of Appreciation for the many years of outstanding support to the Germantown Community.

The Kuhns thanked the city for their support over the years.

CITIZEN'S FORUM:

None.

MANAGER'S REPORT:

Mrs. Gilleland reviewed the consent agenda and the proposed legislation.

She thanked staff for their hard work on applying for a grant for a generator at the Senior Center. The generator will be helpful during a tragic event.

She thanked staff for their hard work on preparing the street paving program for this year. It should be done today and always looks so nice.

National Night Out was last week and was a huge success. The Police Department and Mrs. Wafzig did a great job organizing the event and the kids had a fun filled night.

Mr. Parsons updated Council on the pool season. It was well attended and we are planning on a successful end to the summer season. He thanked the community for passing the recent pool levy.

The DORA is going well. There are currently eleven businesses and three bar/restaurants that are participating. The Chamber of Commerce is working hard to assist in this project.

The newsletter has been received well with the first two editions. We are currently working on the next edition.

CLERK'S REPORT:

None.

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LAW DIRECTOR'S REPORT:

The Law Director shared that he attended the OMAA seminar a few weeks ago. They discussed many interesting topics.

MAYOR'S REPORT:

Mayor Johnson will attend the next Mayors and Managers Meeting in September.

He thanked the Historical Society for hosting the Founders Day event. It is always a great time.

He thanked everyone that made the National Night event a huge success for the kids.

He announced that Saturday Night Out would be August 19 and he encourages all to attend.

The Pretzel Festival is coming up in September.

The July 4 Parade was a huge success. He thanked everyone who helped organize the parade, those who were in the parade and those who attended.

The Park Board met August 2 and discussed proposed projects.

The MMI Committee is continuing to move forward on their overall plan for the land.

He sent his condolences to the family of Thomas Jeffery. Staff did a wonderful job remembering "Rooster". He will be missed by all. He also sent condolences to the family of Don Hoog. Who will be missed by the community.

He congratulated Mr. and Mrs. Matt Dupps on their recent wedding. He was honored to perform the ceremony.

He encouraged everyone to vote in the upcoming election.

COUNCIL MEMBERS' REPORTS:

Mrs. Koogle's Report:

Mrs. Koogle attended the Senior Center Oversight meeting. The activities are well attended, and they are hoping to make updates to the center.

Mr. Kuhn's Report:

Mr. Kuhn announced the Economic Development meeting will be on August 17.

He encouraged the community to attend the Food Truck Friday event held every Friday throughout the summer.

He congratulated the pool staff for a good year.

Mr. Reed's Report:

Mr. Reed thanked the pool staff for their hard work.

The Pool Board Meeting will be August 16.

The CBC Meeting will be on August 13.

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Thank you to everyone that made National Night Out a special event.

Mr. Rettich's Report:

Mr. Rettich stated that the Planning Commission Meeting was cancelled for July.

He thanked everyone who made the National Night a huge success for the kids.

He encouraged everyone to vote in the election tomorrow.

Mr. Wafzig's Report:

Mr. Wafzig stated he has received several compliments on the completed paving projects throughout the city.

He attended the MVCC meeting in July. They are looking into continuing the fiber lines and additional projects for the upcoming year. He also reviewed the services that MVCC provides for the City of Germantown and surrounding communities.

He thanked everyone who made the National Night a successful event.

He reminded the community to support our local business. They are vital to our community.

He encouraged everyone to vote in the election tomorrow.

CONSENT AGENDA:

1. June 5, 2023-Regular Session Meeting Minutes
2. June 5, 2023-Work Session Meeting Minutes
3. Appointment to the Fire Oversight Board (Term Expires December 31, 2023)
Jeffrey Bobbitt (Citizen appointment approved by both Council and Township Trustees and has been approved by the Township Trustees)
4. Approval of second year of City Manager contract from
September 1, 2023 to August 31, 2024.
5. **RESOLUTION NO. 23-30**
A RESOLUTION TO DECLARE SURPLUS PROPERTY AND
AUTHORIZE THE CITY MANAGER TO SELL SAID PROPERTY.
6. **RESOLUTION NO. 23-32**
A RESOLUTION TO AUTHORIZE THE CITY MANAGER TO ENTER
INTO AN AGREEMENT WITH THE OHIO DEPARTMENT OF
TRANSPORTATION FOR THE REPAVING PROJECT OF STATE ROUTE
4 WITHIN THE GERMANTON CITY LIMITS.

MOTION: Mr. Kuhn moved to approve the Consent Agenda.

ROLL CALL: Mrs. Koogler, yes; Mr. Kuhn, yes; Mr. Reed, yes; Mr. Rettich, yes; Mr. Wafzig, yes; Mayor Johnson, yes. 6-yes, 0-no. MOTION CARRIED.

LEGISLATION:

INTRODUCTION:

EMERGENCY ORDINANCE NO. 23-31

AN ORDINANCE LEVYING SPECIAL ASSESSMENTS ON THE LOTS OF THE CITY OF GERMANTOWN TO PAY THE COST AND EXPENSES OF FURNISHING AND MAINTAINING A STREET LIGHTING SYSTEM FOR 2023, AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

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MOTION: Mr. Kuhn moved to suspend the rules on Emergency Ordinance No. 23-31.

ROLL CALL:; Mrs. Koogle, yes; Mr. Kuhn, yes; Mr. Reed, yes; Mr. Rettich, yes; Mr. Wafzig, yes; Mayor Johnson, yes. 6-yes, 0-no. MOTION CARRIED.

Mayor Johnson opened the Public Hearing, Council was not addressed. The Public Hearing was then closed.

MOTION: Mr. Kuhn moved to adopt Emergency Ordinance No. 23.31.

ROLL CALL:; Mrs. Koogle, yes; Mr. Kuhn, yes; Mr. Reed, yes; Mr. Rettich, yes; Mr. Wafzig, yes; Mayor Johnson, yes. 6-yes, 0-no. MOTION CARRIED.

PUBLIC HEARING

None.

EXCUSE ABSENT MEMBERS:

MOTION: Mr. Kuhn moved to excuse Mr. Jones.

ROLL CALL:; Mrs. Koogle, yes; Mr. Kuhn, yes; Mr. Reed, yes; Mr. Rettich, yes; Mr. Wafzig, yes; Mayor Johnson, yes. 6-yes, 0-no. MOTION CARRIED.

ADJOURNMENT:

There being no further business to come before the Council, Mr. Kuhn moved to adjourn the meeting.

The meeting adjourned at 7:37 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Kelli R. Sanders-Novak
Clerk of Council

Terry Johnson
Mayor