

CITY OF GERMANTOWN COUNCIL

MONDAY, JUNE 3, 24

The City of Germantown Council met in regular session on June 3, 2024 at 7:00 p.m. in the City Building 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 and Mr. Robert Rettich IV. Mr. Brian Wafzig arrived at 7:04 p.m.

MEMBERS ABSENT:

Mr. Jeffrey Jones was absent.

ALSO PRESENT:

Also present were Judy Gilleland, City Manager; Tom Schiff, Law Director; Pat Shively, Finance Director; Dan Alldred, Fire Chief; Chip Wirrig, Service Department; Mike Roseberry, City Property Maintenance Inspector; Will Parsons, Community Relations Manager; Kelli Sanders-Novak, Clerk of Council and several visitors.

Clerk's Note: Council, Staff and Visitors observed a moment of silence to honor the 80th Anniversary of D-Day.

PUBLIC RECOGNITION:

Mayor Johnson presented a certificate of appreciation to Gregg Bostwick for his service on our Parks Board.

CITIZEN'S FORUM:

Tim Risner, 11520 Sigal Road., stated he was concerned about the condition of South Cherry Street. It is in need of repair and he would like to see it placed on an upcoming repair list.

MANAGER'S REPORT:

Mrs. Gilleland thanked the Lions Club and Staff for the hard work at making the Memorial Day event a wonderful time for all.

She thanked Tom Schiff, Law Director, for his 24 years of service to the city and we wish him the best of luck in his new endeavor.

She reviewed the consent agenda. It includes the 2024 Street Paving contract that will include the part of Cherry Street Mr. Risner was speaking about tonight.

Chief Alldred briefly updated Council on the proposed legislation regarding new EMS billing contract and the purchase of a new utility truck that is used for both Fire and EMS calls.

Pat Shively updated Council on the Rumpke Contract regarding the fuel surcharge and a renewal for 3 additional years. She also reviewed the ordinance establishing the new rate schedule for refuse collections.

Will Parsons reviewed the motion on the Consent Agenda regarding the extended hours for the DORA in VMP for the upcoming summer movie nights.

He went on to review the proposed legislation for a CRA agreement with the owners of 15 & 17 East Center Street. The Board met and approved a 15 year agreement with the owner and the agreement requires Council to approve the proposed legislation.

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CLERK'S REPORT:

None.

LAW DIRECTOR'S REPORT:

The Law Director thanked Council and Staff for the privilege to work with each one over his 24 years of service.

MAYOR'S REPORT:

Mayor Johnson attended the Mayors and Managers monthly meeting. The next meeting will be in September.

The Park Board and Park Oversight Committee will be meeting on June 5. There will be a dedication to Darrel Rhoades before the meeting.

He thanked the Lions Club, Staff and those who attended. It was a great event and well attended.

He reminded everyone that the 80th anniversary of D-Day is this week.

The MMI Committee is continuing to work on various projects. They are currently working on plaque placement and wording.

He congratulated all the VV Spring Sports athletes for their amazing season.

The June Saturday Night Out will be June 15. He encouraged everyone to attend.

He thanked Tom Schiff for his years of service to the city and for being a good friend.

COUNCIL MEMBERS' REPORTS:

Mrs. Koogle's Report:

Mrs. Koogle stated that the Cemetery Board meets the second Monday of each month and is open to the public. All decorations will need to be removed if not in a vase or a shepherd's hook by Monday.

She reminded everyone that the Senior Center is available for renting for upcoming events and parties.

She thanked Tom Schiff for his service. Lynn appreciated you as well.

Mr. Kuhn's Report:

Mr. Kuhn stated that he has been working with the Fire Department and the Fire Oversight Committee regarding a proposed new 4 mil levy. There is a need for these additional funds to continue the services we currently have. Additional information will be given as the details are given.

He thanked Tom Schiff for his many years of service and for his friendship.

Mr. Reed's Report:

Mr. Reed stated that the CBC will be meeting next week. The members have planted flowers at City Hall and the downtown flowers look great.

The Pool Board will be meeting in three weeks. The Pool season is going well, and we look forward to a great summer.

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He thanked Tom Schiff for his service and is exited for his new chapter.

Mr. Rettich's Report:

Mr. Rettich stated that the Planning Commission met to discuss the CRA Committee. Keith Brane was selected to service on the CRA Committee.

He attended the State Track Meet this weekend. He congratulated all the athletes that placed or won their events.

He thanked Tom Schiff for his service and wished him the best of luck in his new position.

Mr. Wafzig's Report:

Mr. Wafzig was late due to attending his child's baseball game at Kercher Park. He stated the park was packed and looked great.

He attended the MVCC meeting last month. They discussed the fiber project, a new member to join the MVCC group and training.

He thanked the Lions Club and Staff for their efforts in a great Memorial Day event. It was well attended and well done.

He thanked Tom Schiff for his service and wished him the best of luck.

CONSENT AGENDA:

1. May 6, 2024-Regular Session Meeting Minutes
2. May 6, 2024-Work Session Meeting Minutes
3. A Motion to approve DORA hours during the Movie in the Park events for the summer of 2024: beginning at 7:00 PM and ending at 11:00 PM on Wednesday, June 12th, Wednesday July10th, and Wednesday August 14th, instead of the typical hours which do not allow the DORA to operate on Wednesdays.
4. Appointment to the City Beautiful Commission (This is an ex-officio seat) Emily Frigo
5. **RESOLUTION NO. 24-21**
A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER TO ENTER INTO A CONTRACT WITH BARRETT PAVING MATERIALS, INC, FOR THE 2024 STREET PROGRAM.
6. **RESOLUTION NO. 24-22**
A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER TO PURCHASE A VEHICLE FOR USE BY THE CITY OF GERMANTOWN FIRE/EMS DEPARTMENT.
7. **RESOLUTION NO. 24-23**
A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER TO ENTER INTO A CONTRACT WITH AMBULANCE BILLING NETWORK, FOR EMS BILLING SERVICES.
8. **RESOLUTION NO. 24-24**
A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE CITY OF GERMANTOWN TO ENTER INTO A COMMUNITY REINVESTMENT AREA AGREEMENT WITH DAVID ESHBAUGH, OWNER OF THE PROPERTY AT 15 & 17 E CENTER ST.
9. **RESOLUTION NO. 24-25**
A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER TO ENTER INTO A THREE-YEAR EXTENSION AND AN AMENDEMENT OF THE CURRENT CONTRACT WITH RUMPKE OF OHIO, INC., FOR SOLID WASTE AND CURBSIDE RECYCLING SERVICES FOR THE PERIOD OF MAY 1, 2024 THROUGH APRIL 30, 2027.

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

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.**

LEGISLATION:

INTRODUCTION:

ORDINANCE NO. 24-26

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING SECTION 953.07 OF THE STREETS AND PUBLIC SERVICES CODE OF THE CODIFIED ORDINANCES OF THE CITY OF GERMANTOWN REGARDING REFUSE COLLECTION FEES.

Mayor Johnson stated the Public Hearing will be held July 1, 2024.

PUBLIC HEARING

ORDINANCE NO. 24-20

AN ORDINANCE TO VACATE A PORTION OF AN ALLEY LOCATED SOUTH OF WEST MARKET STREET, EAST OF SOUTH PLUM STREET AND WEST OF SOUTH MAIN STREET AND ADJACENT TO 4 PARCELS OWNED BY 21 W MARKET ST, LLC AND FURTHER DESCRIBED HEREIN.

Mayor Johnson opened the Public Hearing.

Mark Heistand, 364 East Market Street, Treasurer of the Germantown Historical Society, spoke on behalf of the Historical Society. He expressed concern and opposition to Council passing the proposed legislation regarding the vacation of the alley next to the Florentine Restaurant at 21 West Market Street at the last Council meeting and is here tonight to do the same. He would like another solution considered and implemented, leaving the alley as is and not approve the proposed legislation.

The Public Hearing was then closed.

Mayor Johnson stated that the City has done very well over the past few years to improve the downtown and support the local businesses. Outdoor dining is now an essential part of the restaurant business and this will allow them to accommodate this need.

MOTION: Mr. Kuhn moved to adopt Ordinance No. 24-20.

Mrs. Koogle stated that she is torn with this decision. She would like to alley ways to stay as is but does understand the need for outdoor dining and business growth.

ROLL CALL: Mrs. Koogle, abstained; Mr. Kuhn, yes; Mr. Reed, yes; Mr. Rettich, yes; Mr. Wafzig, yes; Mayor Johnson, yes. 5-yes, 1-abstention. **MOTION CARRIED.**

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.**

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ADJOURNMENT:

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

The meeting adjourned at 7:50 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Kelli R. Sanders-Novak
Clerk of Council

Terry Johnson
Mayor