

RECORD OF PROCEEDINGS

Minutes of City Council

Held January 23, 2025

Regular Meeting Call to Order

Regular Council Meeting Call to Order at 6:00 PM.

Roll Call

Teri Murphy	Mayor	Present
Donald Burchett	At-Large	Absent
Ora Allen	At-Large	Present
Mike Daugherty	Ward 1	Present
Dave Miller	Ward 2	Present
Shirley Whitt	Ward 3	Present
Jeanette Marcus	Ward 4	Absent

Staff Members Present:

City Manager Michael Davis	Law Director Martina Dillon
Police Chief Craig Richardson	Fire Chief Traci Kuzminski
Acting Finance Director Lora Perry	Street Superintendent Chris Dunn
Build. Maint. Superintendent Rocky Bangert	City Engineer Lauren Alvarado
City Planner Nick Sorice	Public Information Officer Aaron Viotor
Parks and Recreation Director Brent Shane	Clerk of Council Karen Powell
Build. & Zoning Admin. Brent Carpenter	

Mrs. Allen moved to excuse the absences of Ms. Marcus and Mr. Burchett.

RESULT: Passed *(Yes 5, No 0, Abstained 0)*
MOVER: Ora Allen
AYES: Teri Murphy, Ora Allen, Mike Daugherty, Dave Miller, Shirley Whitt
NAYS: None
ABSTAIN: None

Pledge of Allegiance

Mayor Murphy led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Request by Law Director to modify the agenda and move Resolution 8123-25 to beginning of agenda for vote

Law Director Martina Dillon asked Council to approve amending the agenda to move Resolution 8123-25 appointing Karen Powell as Clerk of Council to the beginning of the agenda in order to administer the Oath of Office.

RESULT: Passed *(Yes 5, No 0, Abstained 0)*
MOVER: Shirley Whitt
AYES: Teri Murphy, Ora Allen, Mike Daugherty, Dave Miller, Shirley Whitt
NAYS: None
ABSTAIN: None

The Oath of Office was administered to Ms. Powell.

8123-25 A resolution appointing Karen Powell to the position of Clerk of Council

No vote was taken.

Approval of Minutes

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City Council Minutes - January 9, 2025

Mayor Murphy asked if there were any changes or corrections to the January 9, 2025, Regular Council meeting minutes. Hearing none, the minutes were approved as submitted.

Special Presentations - None

Reports from the Following:

Finance Committee

No report.

Finance Director

Mrs. Perry said a press release is coming out stating that the Finance Department and the City of Moraine has received the GFOA Award of Excellence for financial statements in 2023. She said this is the 38th year in a row that the Finance Department and the City of Moraine have received this award. She said she appreciates the hard work of the Finance Department staff and the employees of the City of Moraine who go out of their way to make sure to follow the rules and regulations.

Committee of the Whole

Mr. Miller said there was a Committee of the Whole meeting after the last regular meeting on January 9, 2025, and there will be one tonight following this meeting.

City Manager

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Mr. Davis stated he had nothing beyond his written report.

Law Director

Ms. Dillon requested to have three pieces of legislation added to the meeting agenda. They are as follows:

Request to add resolution 8124-25 to the agenda

Ms. Dillon explained this Resolution is to repeal a Resolution from a prior meeting of Council and deals with the legislation for the Ohio Department of Transportation (ODOT) to conduct resurfacing. She said the City Engineer requested that some of the language be revised. She said the revision does not change the material substance of the prior legislation.

RESULT: Passed (*Yes 5, No 0, Abstained 0*)
MOVER: Ora Allen
AYES: Teri Murphy, Ora Allen, Mike Daugherty, Dave Miller, Shirley Whitt
NAYS: None
ABSTAIN: None

Request to add resolution 8125-25 to the agenda

Ms. Dillon said this Resolution authorizes the engagement of McMahon Degulis LLP as special legal counsel to provide assistance to the City with respect to environmental matters,

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specifically negotiation of a site access agreement.

RESULT: Passed (*Yes 5, No 0, Abstained 0*)
MOVER: Teri Murphy
AYES: Teri Murphy, Ora Allen, Mike Daugherty, Dave Miller, Shirley Whitt
NAYS: None
ABSTAIN: None

Request to add resolution 8126-25 to the agenda

Ms. Dillon noted this Resolution authorizes travel for the Mayor.

Mayor Murphy confirmed for Council that although legislation was passed in 2024 for Council travel in 2025, that Resolution did not cover this particular travel event.

Ms. Dillon stated MCO 121.04 reads that Council must approve travel by resolution, but since this event was not spelled out in the previous legislation, overnight travel has to be approved by resolution.

RESULT: Passed (*Yes 5, No 0, Abstained 0*)
MOVER: Mike Daugherty
AYES: Teri Murphy, Ora Allen, Mike Daugherty, Dave Miller, Shirley Whitt
NAYS: None
ABSTAIN: None

Request to add resolution 8122-25 to the agenda

Ms. Dillon reported this Resolution approves the Montgomery County Hazard Mitigation Plan. She said per the City Manager, Montgomery County requested this agreement be submitted by the end of January 2025, which is why a request to add this Resolution to the agenda is being made.

RESULT: Passed (*Yes 5, No 0, Abstained 0*)
MOVER: Shirley Whitt
AYES: Teri Murphy, Ora Allen, Mike Daugherty, Dave Miller, Shirley Whitt
NAYS: None
ABSTAIN: None

Mayor

Mayor Murphy recognized Carl Suchomel who has been with the Miami Valley Communications Council (MVCC) since 1994. She said Mr. Suchomel is a certified drone pilot and he has helped create awesome images of Moraine from the sky. She said Mr. Suchomel will be retiring from MVCC at the end of the month, and on behalf of Council she wishes him the best of luck in his retirement.

Guest Speakers - None

Business

Ordinances - None

Resolutions

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8120-25 A resolution authorizing the City Manager to enter into an agreement with the Montgomery County Microfilming Board for services and supplies for 2025

Mrs. Allen explained that this Resolution authorizes an annual agreement for microfilming services for the Police Division and records storage for the City of Moraine.

RESULT: Passed (*Yes 5, No 0, Abstained 0*)
MOVER: Ora Allen
AYES: Teri Murphy, Ora Allen, Mike Daugherty, Dave Miller, Shirley Whitt
NAYS: None
ABSTAIN: None

8121-25 A resolution authorizing the City Manager to accept the proposal of Tim Lally Chevrolet, Inc. for the purchase of two (2) Chevy Tahoe motor vehicles at state bid pricing for use by the Police Division in the amount of \$98,244.00

Mrs. Whitt stated this Resolution approves the purchase of two Chevy Tahoe vehicles and is a 2025 budgeted item.

RESULT: Passed (*Yes 5, No 0, Abstained 0*)
MOVER: Shirley Whitt
AYES: Teri Murphy, Ora Allen, Mike Daugherty, Dave Miller, Shirley Whitt
NAYS: None
ABSTAIN: None

8122-25 A resolution approving the Montgomery County Natural Hazard Mitigation Plan

Mr. Daugherty said this legislation endorses and adopts the Montgomery County Natural Hazard Mitigation Plan as the Stafford Act mandates in order for the state to receive funding in case of disaster.

RESULT: Passed (*Yes 5, No 0, Abstained 0*)
MOVER: Mike Daugherty
AYES: Teri Murphy, Ora Allen, Mike Daugherty, Dave Miller, Shirley Whitt
NAYS: None
ABSTAIN: None

8124-25 A resolution to repeal Resolution No. 8101-25, adopted on January 9, 2025, and replace said Resolution No. 8101-25 with the current Resolution No. 8124-25 authorizing the Ohio Department of Transportation to undertake resurfacing of specified roadway within the City of Moraine and known as the MOT 741-8.38 Resurfacing Project (PID NO. 111539)

Mr. Miller acknowledged that some information in Resolution No. 8101-25 was inaccurate, and this Resolution replaces Resolution No. 8101-25.

RESULT: Passed (*Yes 5, No 0, Abstained 0*)
MOVER: Dave Miller
AYES: Teri Murphy, Ora Allen, Mike Daugherty, Dave Miller, Shirley Whitt
NAYS: None
ABSTAIN: None

8125-25 A resolution approving the engagement of McMahon Degulis LLP as special legal counsel to provide legal services to the City in connection with environmental matters

Mrs. Whitt stated that the City of Moraine's previous environmental attorney, Chris Walker, has

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retired, and this Resolution authorizes the City to contract Attorney Lee Slone of McMahon Degulis LLP to assist the City with a Site Access Agreement in right of way matters.

RESULT: Passed (*Yes 5, No 0, Abstained 0*)
MOVER: Shirley Whitt
AYES: Teri Murphy, Ora Allen, Mike Daugherty, Dave Miller, Shirley Whitt
NAYS: None
ABSTAIN: None

8126-25 A resolution authorizing specified travel for the Mayor

Mr. Daugherty commented that this Resolution will allow Mayor Murphy to attend the 20th Anniversary Gala by the China General Chamber of Commerce in New York.

RESULT: (*Yes 4, No 0, Abstained 1*)
MOVER: Mike Daugherty
AYES: Ora Allen, Mike Daugherty, Dave Miller, Shirley Whitt
NAYS: None
ABSTAIN: Teri Murphy

Persons Appearing Before Council - None

Any Other Business

Fire Department - No report.

Police Department - No report.

Building and Maintenance Department - Rocky Bangert stated that he appreciated the Council's support and the opportunity for his new role as superintendent of Building Maintenance with the City of Moraine.

Street Department - No report.

City Planner - No report.

Building and Zoning Administrator - No report.

City Engineer - No report.

Parks and Recreation Director - No report.

Acting Finance Director - No report.

City Manager - No report.

Law Director - No report.

Clerk of Council - No report.

COUNCIL REPORTS

Mrs. Allen congratulated Mr. Bangert on his promotion.

Mrs. Whitt congratulated Mr. Bangert on his promotion. She thanked Mr. Dunn and the Street

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Department employees for keeping the streets clean during bitter cold temperatures. She welcomed Ms. Powell as the new Clerk of Council.

Mr. Miller congratulated Ms. Powell on her appointment as the new Clerk of Council, Mr. Bangert on his promotion to superintendent, and Mrs. Perry and the Finance Department on receiving the annual GFOA award.

Mr. Daugherty reiterated congratulations and expressed his appreciation to Mr. Bangert, Ms. Powell, and Mrs. Perry. He said he is excited to move forward in 2025. He stated he is part of the Master Parks Plan Steering Committee. He said a meeting was held last week and things are coming along very well. He stated the Steering Committee members are excited about the direction the City of Moraine will be moving over the next ten years. He said the committee should have a presentation for Council by the end of April 2025.

Mayor Murphy congratulated Mr. Bangert and Mrs. Perry and the Finance Staff. She welcomed Ms. Powell. She thanked City Staff for working in the extreme cold temperatures, and she thanked the Street Department for all of their hard work. She thanked the Miami Valley Communications Council for broadcasting this meeting live as well as any future rebroadcasts.

Executive Session - None

Adjournment

Meeting adjourned at 6:19 PM.



Mayor Teri Murphy



ATTEST: Clerk of Council, Karen Powell