

RECORD OF PROCEEDINGS

Minutes of City Council

Held September 28, 2023

Regular Meeting Call to Order

Regular Meeting Call to Order at 6:00 PM

Roll Call

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

Staff Members Present:

City Manager Michael Davis	Law Director Martina Dillon
Police Chief Craig Richardson	Fire Chief Dave Cooper
Finance Director Don Buczek	Street Superintendent Chris Dunn
Build. Maint. Supervisor Rocky Bangert	Public Information Officer Aaron Vietor
Parks and Recreation Director Brent Shane	Clerk of Council Amy Brown

Pledge of Allegiance

Mayor Murphy led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Approval of Minutes

Regular Council Meeting Minutes - September 14, 2023

Mayor Murphy asked if there were any changes or corrections to the September 14, 2023 Regular Council meeting minutes. Hearing none, the minutes were approved as submitted.

Special Presentations

Mayor Murphy read a Proclamation to commemorate Fire Chief Cooper's retirement.

Chief Cooper remarked he has been in the fire service since 1982, and the first people he wanted to thank was his family. He noted when you are in public safety, there are a lot of holidays and birthdays that you miss, and thanked his family for allowing him to serve. He stated it has been a very exciting and rewarding career. He thanked the firefighters, and commented they have gone through some very tough times, like when GM left and they had to take pay cuts in order to keep working. He noted the pandemic was one of the major things they went through with record amounts of calls and limited personnel. He commented they worked very hard and he has never been prouder of a group of people than he is of them. He thanked Administration, Council, and all of those that supported the Fire Department and him personally.

Reports from the Following

Finance Committee

No report.

Finance Director

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No report.

Committee of the Whole

Ms. Marcus stated the last Committee of the Whole meeting was on September 14, and noted items from that meeting are on tonight's agenda. She added there would be a meeting after this meeting tonight.

City Manager

City Manager's Report - September 28, 2023

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

Law Director

Ms. Dillon requested to add Resolution 7975-23 to tonight's agenda, which is a Resolution approving a base salary adjustment for the City Manager, and added that agreement was previously authorized by Council.

Mrs. Allen made a motion to add Resolution 7975-23 to tonight's agenda.

RESULT: Passed, *(Yes 7, No 0, Abstained 0)*
MOVER: Ora Allen
AYES: Dave Miller, Teri Murphy, Donald Burchett, Ora Allen, Randy Daugherty, Jeanette Marcus, Shirley Whitt
NAYS: None

Ms. Dillon requested to add Resolution 7976-23 to the agenda, which is a Resolution approving the salary adjustment for the Finance Director, and added that agreement was previously authorized by Council.

Ms. Marcus made a motion to add Resolution 7976-23 to tonight's agenda.

RESULT: Passed, *(Yes 7, No 0, Abstained 0)*
MOVER: Jeanette Marcus
AYES: Dave Miller, Teri Murphy, Donald Burchett, Ora Allen, Randy Daugherty, Jeanette Marcus, Shirley Whitt
NAYS: None

Ms. Dillon requested a Voice Vote be added to the agenda for a liquor control permit at 3351 Main Street, and noted it was a transfer of the current liquor permit.

Mrs. Whitt asked if it was simply a transfer.

Ms. Dillon replied, yes, and added it was just a transfer of ownership and not a change in the current permit.

Ms. Marcus made a motion to add the Voice Vote item to the agenda.

RESULT: Passed, *(Yes 7, No 0, Abstained 0)*
MOVER: Jeanette Marcus
AYES: Dave Miller, Teri Murphy, Donald Burchett, Ora Allen, Randy Daugherty, Jeanette Marcus, Shirley Whitt
NAYS: None

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Mayor

Mayor's Court Monthly Report - August 2023

Mayor Murphy reported for the month of August 2023, Mayor’s Court received \$21,278.00. She noted after various expenses and disbursements, a total of \$16,590.00 was deposited into the General Fund.

Guest Speakers - None

Business

Ordinances - None

Resolutions

A Resolution accepting the amounts and rates as determined by the Budget Commission and authorizing the necessary tax levies and certifying them to the County Auditor.

Mr. Miller stated this Resolution accepts the amounts and rates as determined by the Budget Commission. He added it also authorizes the necessary tax levies and certifies them to the Montgomery County Auditor.

RESULT: Passed, *(Yes 7, No 0, Abstained 0)*
MOVER: Dave Miller
AYES: Dave Miller, Teri Murphy, Donald Burchett, Ora Allen, Randy Daugherty, Jeanette Marcus, Shirley Whitt
NAYS: None

A Resolution authorizing and approving updates to the City of Moraine Credit Card Policy.

Ms. Marcus reported this Resolution allows for updates to the City's Credit Card Policy to revise the credit card limits for the Parks Department and the HR Administrator. She added this would allow for improvements in online purchasing processes for the City's special events as well as regular day-to-day operations.

RESULT: Passed, *(Yes 7, No 0, Abstained 0)*
MOVER: Jeanette Marcus
AYES: Dave Miller, Teri Murphy, Donald Burchett, Ora Allen, Randy Daugherty, Jeanette Marcus, Shirley Whitt
NAYS: None

A Resolution authorizing the transfer of appropriations between Capital Improvement Fund expense accounts in order to provide sufficient appropriations to meet current and future obligations of the City of Moraine for the period January 1, 2023 to December 31, 2023.

Mrs. Allen noted this Resolution approves the budget transfer of extra funds from the sealing and striping budget line to the annual paving program budget line to allow for the payment of the remainder of the paving program.

RESULT: Passed, *(Yes 7, No 0, Abstained 0)*

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MOVER: Ora Allen
AYES: Dave Miller, Teri Murphy, Donald Burchett, Ora Allen, Randy Daugherty, Jeanette Marcus, Shirley Whitt
NAYS: None

A Resolution approving a base salary adjustment per the City Manager and Director of Public Safety employment agreement previously authorized by Council. (To Be Added By Law Director)

Mr. Burchett explained this Resolution approves a change of the base salary in the City Manager's employment agreement. He added all remaining provisions of the agreement will stay the same.

RESULT: Passed, *(Yes 7, No 0, Abstained 0)*
MOVER: Donald Burchett
AYES: Dave Miller, Teri Murphy, Donald Burchett, Ora Allen, Randy Daugherty, Jeanette Marcus, Shirley Whitt
NAYS: None

A Resolution approving a salary adjustment per the Finance Director employment agreement previously authorized by Council. (To Be Added By Law Director)

Mr. Daugherty commented this Resolution approves a change of the salary in the Finance Director's employment agreement. He added all remaining provisions of the agreement will stay the same.

RESULT: Passed, *(Yes 7, No 0, Abstained 0)*
MOVER: Randy Daugherty
AYES: Dave Miller, Teri Murphy, Donald Burchett, Ora Allen, Randy Daugherty, Jeanette Marcus, Shirley Whitt
NAYS: None

Voice Vote

Liquor Control Permit - 3351 Main Street

Ms. Marcus made a motion to not request a hearing for the liquor permit at 3351 Main Street.

RESULT: Passed, *(Yes 7, No 0, Abstained 0)*
MOVER: Jeanette Marcus
AYES: Dave Miller, Teri Murphy, Donald Burchett, Ora Allen, Randy Daugherty, Jeanette Marcus, Shirley Whitt
NAYS: None

Persons Appearing Before Council - None

Any Other Business

Chief Cooper stated the time changes in early November, and reminded residents that they still have smoke detectors available. He noted residents could stop by the firehouse or call 937-535-1132 if they would like to get one.

Chief Richardson congratulated Chief Cooper on his retirement, and added he appreciates all the years they have worked together.

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Building and Maintenance Department - No report.

Mr. Dunn extended congratulations to Chief Cooper. He reminded residents that leaves are falling, and encouraged everyone to rake them to the curb and not the street because it could cause drainage issues.

Mr. Shane reported National Family Health and Fitness Day is this Saturday, and added there would be a Color Run at the Rec Center at 9:00 AM. He stated people can sign up that morning for the run. He noted the Rec Center would open later that day from 11:00 AM to 3:00 PM.

Mr. Davis congratulated Chief Cooper on his retirement. He noted that 37 years does not go unnoticed, and added he appreciated him and would miss his service.

Mr. Buczek extended congratulations to Chief Cooper. He thanked him for his years of service here, and added it was a pleasure working with him.

Ms. Dillon extended her best wishes to Chief Cooper.

Mrs. Brown extended congratulations to Chief Cooper, and added she hoped he would enjoy his retirement.

COUNCIL REPORTS

Mrs. Allen congratulated Chief Cooper on his retirement, and thanked him for all his years of dedication. She added he would be missed.

Ms. Marcus extended congratulations to Chief Cooper, and added staying with the job for a long time until you retire is a great accomplishment. She reported that she and Mrs. Allen attended the First Tier Suburbs meeting last night, and noted the discussion included housing, schools, and possible changes to zoning codes to make it more flexible for more affordable housing.

Mrs. Whitt congratulated Mr. Miller on the Wright Seaplane Base dedication on Saturday, and added it was a wonderful ceremony. She noted they would not have that in Moraine if it wasn't for him, and added that residents are probably not aware of all that he does for the City. She stated she was not ready for Chief Cooper to go, but unfortunately she was only one vote. She commented she would miss him, and commented he has done a tremendous job for the City.

Mr. Miller thanked Chief Cooper for his leadership, poise, hard work, and dedication. He noted Chief has touched thousands of lives through all those years, and thanked him for serving the citizens, businesses, and employees of the City. He thanked Mrs. Whitt for her kind words. He reported last Saturday, the Wright Seaplane Base Organization donated a 1913 Model G Wright Aeroboat Seaplane sculpture to the City. He explained Orville Wright used to fly one right outside over the river, and added the sculpture is on Main Street right as you go over the bridge. He thanked Mr. Dunn, the Street Department, Mr. Bangert, and the Building and Maintenance Department because they were very instrumental in the installation of the pole, base, and sculpture itself. He thanked Chief Richardson for the PA system, and thanked Mr. Vietor for taking care of the podium and chairs.

Mr. Daugherty congratulated Chief Cooper on his retirement. He noted it was people like him that have made this little City a great City, and added he appreciated it. He stated the mentoring that Chief has done with the young guys will carry on after he is gone.

Mr. Burchett reported he attended the monthly board meeting of the MVCC last Wednesday.

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He extended congratulations to Chief Cooper on his retirement.

Mayor Murphy congratulated Chief Cooper on his retirement, and added he would be missed. She reported she was at the dedication on Saturday, and she thought it was a great thing. She thanked Mr. Miller for all the time and effort he put in on the project. She thanked Miami Valley Communications Council for broadcasting this meeting live as well as any future rebroadcasts.

Executive Session - None

Adjournment

Adjournment at 6:20 PM



Mayor Teri Murphy



ATTEST: Clerk of Council Amy Brown