

June 18, 2024

The Gallipolis City Commission met in a special session on Tuesday, June 18, 2024, at 5:00 p.m. at the Gallipolis Municipal Building, 333 Third Avenue, having complied with Section 9 of the City Charter.

City Commission President Mr. Michael Fulks called the meeting to order followed by the Pledge of Allegiance and took a moment of silence.

Upon roll call, the following members were present:

Michael C. Fulks, President
Michael W. Brown, Member
William "Kirk" Frazee, Member

Others attending were:

John Westfall, Acting City Manager
Shelly L. Clonch, City Auditor
Chad Vaughn, River Cities News
Ronnie Lynch Keith Elliott Joy Elliott
James Roush Greg Hall Lori Hall
Marvin Ours (zoom)

The commission received the minutes of June 4, 2024, prior to this meeting. Mr. Brown made a motion to approve the June 4th minutes, seconded by Mr. Frazee. Upon voice vote on the motion to approve the minutes, all votes were yes.

The privilege of the floor was granted to Mr. Jim Roush who resides on State Route 588 in the City limits. He commended the Maintenance Garage employees on the good work they are doing getting water leaks fixed and also thanked the City for the demolition of the house that burned a while back on Chillicothe Road. Mr. Roush said that there are a lot of speeding problems on State Route 588 which is concerning with there being an intersection of three roads that include Burkhart Lane and Texas Road. He also mentioned possibly a drug problem in the area. The Commission thanked him for his concerns.

The Acting City Manager reported on the following:

- We have received notice that the project application the City submitted through the State Capital Budget for a pickleball court/basketball court restoration and a splash pad was selected for award in the amount of \$100,000 for each of the two projects. The approval now has to go through the House and the Senate to vote on, so this is a good sign.
- The Maintenance Department has been busy preparing for the River Recreation Festival, the gospel singing on Friday, and the catfish tournament on Saturday.
- Bids were opened today for the Belmont Drive project with the lowest bid coming in at \$106,000 from Southern Ohio Trenching.
- We are still working with Arcadis on the water line replacement project and are waiting to hear from the Ohio EPA on funding.
- The water meter replacement project is underway with 100 of 528 meters completed so far. They hope to be done by the end of July. Mr. Frazee asked Mr. Westfall the status of the Holzer meter and the City Pool. Mr. Westfall stated that the Holzer meter should get started in the first part of July and we are still waiting on parts for the pool.

The City Auditor presented one invoice over \$3,000 for approval of payment:

- \$29,182.15 from Rumpke for refuse pickup. Inv: 5/16/24. PO: 6/4/24.

Mr. Brown made a motion to approve the payment, seconded by Mr. Frazee. Upon voice vote on the motion, all votes were yes.


Ms. Clonch also presented the May 2024 financial statement for approval. Mr. Frazee made a motion to approve the May 2024 financial statement, seconded by Mr. Brown. Upon voice vote on the motion, all votes were yes.

Commissioner Frazee reiterated what Mr. Roush said during the privilege of the floor, that the Maintenance Department is doing a wonderful job. We have a beautiful town that we need to keep moving forward with.

There was presented and read to the Commission as a second reading Ordinance No. O2024-17 entitled **AN ORDINANCE VACATING A CERTAIN ALLEY PARALLEL WITH AND BETWEEN EASTERN AVENUE AND OHIO AVENUE AND BETWEEN FAIR VIEW PLACE AND OHIO AVENUE IN GALLIPOLIS, OHIO.** Mr. Frazee made a motion to adopt the ordinance on the second reading, seconded by Mr. Brown. Upon roll call to adopt the ordinance on the second reading, all votes were yes.

There was presented and read to the Commission as a second reading Ordinance No. O2024-18 entitled **AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER TO SUBMIT AN APPLICATION FOR FUNDING UNDER THE VICTIMS OF CRIME ACT AND STATE VICTIMS ASSISTANCE ACT AND AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER TO ENTER INTO AGREEMENT IF THE GRANT IS AWARDED.** Mr. Brown made a motion to adopt the ordinance on the second reading, seconded by Mr. Frazee. Upon roll call to adopt the ordinance on the second reading, all votes were yes.

There being no further business to come before the Commission, the meeting was adjourned.


Clerk, City Commission


President, City Commission