

**MINUTES OF THE FEBRUARY 21, 2023
REGULAR MEETING OF THE ALLIANCE CITY COUNCIL**

The meeting was called to order by President Garnes at 6:00 P.M. Councilman Edwards then gave the invocation and led the meeting in the Pledge of Allegiance.

ROLL CALL: Kris Bugara, Sheila Cherry (6:07), James Edwards, Cindy King, Edward Lohnes, Jack Madison and Phillip Mastroianni present.

Minutes of the February 6, 2023 Regular Council Meeting were distributed electronically to all members prior to the meeting. Noting no additions, deletions or corrections offered by Council Members. Minutes were received and filed as presented.

COMMUNICATIONS:

1. Memorandum from Mayor Andreani RE: Receipts collected in January 2023.
2. Alliance Wastewater Treatment Plant 2022 Annual Report.
3. Alliance City Health Department 2022 Annual Report.
4. Notice of the February 24, 2023 Historic Preservation Commission Meeting.
5. Memorandum from Mayor Andreani RE: Appointment of Shehla Arif, Ph.D. to the Green Commission.
6. To Protect and Serve Brochure.

Motion and second to receive and file all communications tendered to the Clerk. Roll Call Unanimous. **MOTION PASSED BY ACCLAMATION OF ALL MEMBERS.**

ADMINISTRATIVE REPORTS:

Mayor Andreani: Asked Council to ratify his appointment of Shehla Arif, Ph.D. to the Green Commission.

Motion and second to ratify the Mayor's appointment of Shehla Arif, Ph.D. to the Green Commission. Roll Call Unanimous. **MOTION PASSED BY ACCLAMATION OF ALL MEMBERS.**

Safety Service Director Dreger: Noted that there are several new firefighters to be sworn in and asked Council to hold a special session on March 6th 2023 at 5:30 to do that.

Announced that the bids were received and the contract awarded for the new roof on the Senior Center. Reported that the bids came in \$15,000.00 under the Engineer's estimate.

Councilman Mastroianni asked if there is any water quality concerns following the East Palestine train incident. Director Dreger explained that fortunately Alliance is up stream and up wind from East Palestine so there is little if any reason to be concerned and our water is currently fine.

Law Director Weyer: Announced to Council that the Law Director's Office is working on Housing Code enforcement issues and is currently working to resolve the old USA gas station in

front of Kohl's. Owner is in Florida which has made things difficult.

Noted Ordinance 009-23 will need amended prior to action to include the updated Exhibit A.

Auditor Knowles: Extended thanks to long time City Treasurer Dennis Clunk who resigned effective February 17th. Mr. Clunk has been an asset to the City working diligently as the City Treasurer for many years.

STANDING COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Streets and Alleys: Bugara: Announced that the manholes that needed adjustment after last year's paving are currently being done.

Properties and Lands: Cherry: No formal report.

Utilities: Edwards: No formal report.

Community Development: King: Reported that there have been two Committee meetings to review CDBG funding awards and the work is progressing.

Finance: Lohnes: Reported that the Committee is working on and reviewing the 2023 annual budget.

Safety and Judiciary: Madison: No formal report but noted that there is a need to set a meeting.

Planning Zoning and Housing: Mastroianni: No formal report.

Public Speaks: None

THIRD READINGS: READINGS:

Ordinance No. 009-23: Introduced by: Council as a Whole: An Ordinance amending Ordinance 7-91, 161-99, 30-15, and 23-20 Wages, Salaries, and work benefits for employees of the City of Alliance who are not represented by a Collective Bargaining Agreement; and declaring an emergency. Motion and Second to amend to include updated Exhibit A. Roll Call Vote: Unanimous. Motion and Second to adopt as amended. Roll Call Vote: Unanimous. **ADOPTED AS AMENDED.**

SECOND READINGS:

Ordinance No. 012-23: Introduced by: Madison: An Ordinance accepting and approving the replat of parts of outlot 233 located at 1410 and 1440 Inwood Road, in the City of Alliance, County of Stark, and state of Ohio. Councilman Mastroianni asked to be excused due to a conflict of interest. Noted Councilman Mastroianni has been excused. Motion and Second to suspend the rule requiring three readings. Roll Call Vote: Unanimous. Motion and Second to adopt. Roll Call Vote: Unanimous. **ADOPTED.**

Ordinance No. 013-23: Introduced by: Madison: An Ordinance accepting and approving the replat of part of outlot 322 and all of lots 8167, 8168, 8169 and 8170 located at 567 West Main Street, in the City of Alliance, County of Stark, and state of Ohio. Motion and Second to suspend the rule requiring three readings. Roll Call Vote: Unanimous. Motion and Second to adopt. Roll Call Vote: Unanimous. **ADOPTED.**

Ordinance No. 014-23: Introduced by: Madison: An Ordinance accepting and approving the replat of all of outlots 797 and 798 and lot 11671 located at 2025 McCrea Street, in the City of Alliance, County of Stark, and state of Ohio. Motion and Second to suspend the rule requiring three readings. Roll Call Vote: Unanimous. Motion and Second to adopt. Roll Call Vote: Unanimous. **ADOPTED.**

Ordinance No. 020-23: Introduced by: Council as a Whole: An Ordinance authorizing all actions necessary to accept Northeast Ohio Public Energy Council (NOPEC) 2023 Energized Community Grant(s) funds. Motion and Second to suspend the rule requiring three readings. Roll Call Vote: Unanimous. Motion and Second to adopt. Roll Call Vote: Unanimous. **ADOPTED.**

NEW BUSINESS: None

OLD BUSINESS:

Ordinance 80-20: Introduced by Bugara: An Ordinance vacating all of a twenty (20) foot alley bounded on the North by Prospect Street; bounded on the South by part of a 13102 in the City of Alliance, County of Stark and State of Ohio. **NO FORMAL ACTION.**

Ordinance 81-20: Introduced by Bugara: An Ordinance vacating all of a twenty (20) foot alley bounded on the North by Norfolk Southern Railroad; bounded on the South by Prospect Street; bounded on the East by part of lot 482; and bounded on the West by lot 2094 in the City of Alliance, County of Stark and State of Ohio. **NO FORMAL ACTION.**

Ordinance 82-20: Introduced by Bugara: An Ordinance vacating all of a twenty (20) foot alley bounded on the North by a twenty (20) foot alley; bounded on the South by lot 11829; bounded on the East by part of lot 231; and bounded on the West by lot 221 in the City of Alliance, County of Stark and State of Ohio. **NO FORMAL ACTION.**

Ordinance S86-21: Introduced by Council as a Whole: An Ordinance affirming the conditions as set forth in Ordinance 37-20; and declaring an emergency. **NO FORMAL ACTION.**

Ordinance 071-22: Introduced by Madison: An Ordinance to enact Section 1501.15 of the Codified Ordinances of the City of Alliance authorizing the Fire Chief to establish fire lanes on public and private property, prohibiting the obstruction of a fire lane or the parking of a vehicle in a fire lane, and providing for the removal of obstructions and the removal and impoundment of parked vehicles; and declaring an emergency. **NO FORMAL ACTION.**

MISCELLANEOUS BUSINESS:

Councilman Bugara: Nothing to add.

Councilwoman Cherry: Be safe and kind to one another.

Councilman Edwards: Wished everyone a good evening.

Councilwoman King: Nothing to add

Councilman Lohnes: Expressed thanks to Treasurer Clunk

Councilman Madison: Nothing to add.

Councilman Mastroianni: Expressed thanks to Treasurer Clunk.

President Garnes: Expressed thanks to Treasurer Clunk.

ADJOURNMENT: Noting no further business to come before this Council, President Garnes adjourned the meeting at 6:18 P.M.

SUMMARY OF ACTIONS TAKEN:

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| Ordinance 80-20 | NO FORMAL ACTION |
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| Ordinance 86-21S | NO FORMAL ACTION |
| Ordinance 071-22 | NO FORMAL ACTION |
| Ordinance 009-23 | ADOPTED |
| Ordinance 012-23 | ADOPTED |
| Ordinance 013-23 | ADOPTED |
| Ordinance 014-23 | ADOPTED |
| Ordinance 020-23 | ADOPTED |

**ARTHUR GARNES,
COUNCIL PRESIDENT**

**GERARD T. YOST,
COUNCIL CLERK**