

**MINUTES OF THE JULY 6, 2021  
SPECIAL MEETING OF THE ALLIANCE CITY COUNCIL**

The meeting was called to order by President Garnes at 7:00 P.M. Councilwoman King then gave the invocation and led the meeting in the Pledge of Allegiance.

**ROLL CALL:** Kris Bugara, Sheila Cherry, James Edwards, Cindy King, Andrew Grove, Edward Lohnes and Phillip Mastroianni.

No corrections were noted to the Minutes of the June 21, 2021 regular meeting and they were filed as presented.

**COMMUNICATIONS:**

1. Memorandum from Auditor Knowles RE: June Income Tax recap
2. Notice from Ohio Liquor Control RE: License transfer for Silver Bullet.
3. Agenda for the July 20, 2021 Board of Zoning Appeals Meeting
4. Finance Committee Chairman's report

Motion and Second to record and file the communications tendered to the Clerk. Roll Call: Unanimous. **MOTION PASSED BY ACCLAMATION OF ALL MEMBERS.**

**ADMINISTRATIVE REPORTS:**

**Mayor Andreani:** Updated Council on the Covid numbers with a City wide average of 5 new cases per week in June. Vaccinations and other precautions are still encouraged and the Health Department is still conducting walk-in clinics each Wednesday.

Thanked the Alliance Country Club, Wally Armour, and the Greater Alliance Foundation for the 4<sup>th</sup> of July fireworks display. The original sponsor was the Alliance Jaycees and then a committee was formed but a new committee needs formed to plan for next year. This should be done soon as it takes time for planning and fund raising.

**Safety Service Director Dreger:** Updated Council on the hydrant flushing and stated that it is complete but having not done it last year there were some problems and delays.

Stated that MIB counts are up at the water treatment plant causing some taste and odor problems in the water. UV treatment is doing a good job of eliminating it but since the UV system is only used occasionally, there were some problems getting it up and running.

Councilman Edwards asked about the progress on the paving bids and Director Dreger responded that the bids are out.

**Law Director Arnold:** No formal report

**Auditor Knowles:** Reviewed the Income Tax recap report and stated that the collections are up over last year but due to COVID that isn't a good measurement. They are also up over 2019 which is a better indicator.

Noted that the recently passed State budget addresses work from home taxing and although the city can still collect from the City employer, an employee working from home outside the City can file for a refund. It is unknown what affect this will have.

Updated Council on the ongoing Audit. Stated that the City applied for an extension until August to complete it.

**STANDING COMMITTEE REPORTS:**

**Streets & Alley: Bugara:** No formal report.

**Properties and Lands: Cherry:** Is looking at further development in the 1<sup>st</sup> ward. The new Circle K going in is an encouraging sign.

Asked if the Enterprise Zone legislation is still in place. Mayor Andreani indicated that it was.

**Utilities: Edwards:** Noted that there is a Water and Sewer Advisory Board meeting on Friday July 9, 2021 @ 9:00 AM in the water department offices on North Walnut Avenue.

**Finance: Grove:** Reported that he met with Auditor Knowles today to review the City finances. Stated that the Income Tax recapitulation is encouraging and indicates recovery is progressing. Stated that there will have to be a Committee Meeting soon to review the finances for the year since we have passed the six month mark.

**Community Development: King:** No formal report.

**Safety & Judiciary: Lohnes:** Noted the Liquor License transfer for the Silver Bullet and noted there are no grounds to object or ask for a hearing.

Motion and Second to waive the hearing for the Liquor License transfer for the Silver Bullet. Roll Call: Unanimous. **MOTION PASSED BY ACCLAMATION OF ALL MEMBERS.**

**Planning Zoning and Housing: Mastroianni:** Noted the need to have another committee meeting to further address secondary movable buildings and sheds.

**PUBLIC COMMENT:** None

**THIRD READINGS:** None

**SECOND READINGS:**

**Ordinance 48-21:** Introduced by Mastroianni: An Ordinance accepting and approving the replat of lots 13004 and 13005 at 1992 Park Commons Circle, and the replat of lots 13010 and 13011 at 1987 Park Commons Circle in the City of Alliance, County of Stark and State of Ohio.  
**NO FORMAL ACTION**

**NEW BUSINESS:**

**Resolution 49-21:** Introduced by Council as a Whole: A Resolution to authorize the execution of then and now certificates by the City Auditor and the payment of amounts due for various purchase orders. Motion and Second to suspend the rule requiring 3 readings. Roll Call: Unanimous. Motion and Second to Adopt. Roll Call: Unanimous. **ADOPTED.**

**Resolution 50-21:** Introduced by Council as a Whole: A Resolution amending Rule 1.01 of the Rules of Alliance City Council. Motion and Second to suspend the rule requiring 3 readings. Roll Call: Unanimous. Motion and Second to Adopt. Roll Call: Unanimous. **ADOPTED.**

**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 twenty (20) foot alley; bounded on the East by lot 505; and bounded on the West by lot 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 86-20:** Introduced by Council as a Whole: An Ordinance declaring the improvement to certain parcels of real property in the City to be a public purpose and exempt from taxation; providing for the collection and deposit of service payments and specifying the purpose for which those service payments may be expended; and authorizing compensation payments to the Marlinton Local School District. **NO FORMAL ACTION.**

**MISCELLANEOUS BUSINESS:**

**Councilman Bugara:** Everyone enjoy the warm weather.

**Councilwoman Cherry:** Nothing to add.

**Councilman Edwards:** Enjoy air conditioning it this hot weather.

**Councilman Grove:** Good things are starting to happen.

**Councilwoman King:** Nothing to add.

**Councilman Lohnes:** Everyone have a good evening.

**Councilman Mastroianni:** Commented about an abundance of emails regarding an old criminal case. Law Director explained what is going on and how to handle it.

**ADJOURNMENT:** Noting no further business to come before this Council President Garnes adjourned the meeting at 7:25 PM.

**SUMMARY OF ACTIONS TAKEN:**

<b>Ordinance 80-20</b>	<b>NO FORMAL ACTION</b>
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<b>Ordinance 48-21</b>	<b>SECOND READING</b>
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**ARTHUR GARNES,  
COUNCIL PRESIDENT**

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**GERARD T. YOST  
COUNCIL CLERK**