

**MINUTES OF THE JANUARY 18, 2022
REGULAR MEETING OF THE ALLIANCE CITY COUNCIL**

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

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

Minutes of the January 3, 2021 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. Roll Call Unanimous. **MOTION PASSED BY ACCLAMATION OF ALL MEMBERS.**

COMMUNICATIONS:

1. Notice of the January 18, 2022 Parks Board Meeting
2. Minutes of the December 30, 2021 Treasury Investment Board Meeting
3. Memorandum from Mayor Andreani RE: Appointments to the Early Childhood Education Alliance Inc.
4. 2021 Alliance Municipal Income Tax Summary
5. Minutes of the August 25, 2021 Safety and Judiciary Committee Meeting
6. Memorandum from Auditor Knowles RE: Statement of Cash Position with Month to Date totals for the year 2021
7. Memorandum from Auditor Knowles RE: Mandatory Sunshine Law Training

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: Absent.

Safety Service Director Dreger: Reviewed Ordinances 2-22 and 3-22 and noted that action is necessary on them tonight.

Informed Council about the status of the snow plowing and parking ban following the weekend snow storm. Noted to Council that towing started this afternoon and some cars have made no effort to move off of the streets in more than 3 days making it difficult for plows to completely clean the streets before the temperatures drop making it nearly impossible. Director Dreger also pointed out that crews have to clean back to the curbs to keep the storm drains open or there will be an even bigger mess with freeze and thaw cycles.

Councilman Edwards asked how many cars were towed so far and Director Dreger stated he did not have that information with him.

Councilman Edwards asked about aggregate utility increases through NOPEC and Director Dreger explained

Councilman Mastroianni asked how citizens are informed about the street parking ban and Director Dreger explained

Law Director Weyer: Gave Council an update on the status of the Mall renovation project and the pending legislation in old business stating that hopefully there is more to present at the next meeting on the issue and that negotiations are progressing between the parties involved.

Auditor Knowles: Absent.

STANDING COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Streets and Alleys; Bugara: Commended the Street Department on the job of removing the large amount of snow during the recent heavy snow storm.

Properties and Lands; Cherry: Commended the Street Department on the job of removing the large amount of snow during the recent heavy snow storm and stated that people need to move their cars to permit the Department to do their job properly and safely.

Utilities; Edwards: Reviewed the recent Water and Sewer Advisory Board meeting and stated that the Board approved and recommended passage of Ordinance 3-22.

Community Development; King: No formal report.

Finance; Lohnes: Stated that there will be a Committee meeting to review and discuss the annual budget prior to the next regular Council meeting.

Safety and Judiciary; Madison: No formal report.

Planning Zoning and Housing; Mastroianni: No formal report.

Public Speaks: None

THIRD READINGS: None

SECOND READINGS: None

NEW BUSINESS:

Ordinance 2-22: Introduced by Madison: An Ordinance authorizing and directing the Director of Public Safety and Service to apply for a Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) Staffing for Adequate Fire and Emergence Response (SAFER) Grant for the purpose of funding the salary for four (4) full time firefighters for the Alliance Fire Department for a period of one to four years; and declaring an emergency. Motion and second to suspend the rule requiring 3 readings. Roll Call: Unanimous. Motion and Second to adopt. Voice Vote: Unanimous. **ADOPTED.**

Ordinance 3-22: Introduced by Edwards: An Ordinance amending the Sanitary Sewer Service charges contained in Ordinance 34-04 as amended by Ordinances 172-04, 105-08, 0107-11, 76-14, 5-20, 5-21 and the Alliance Codified Ordinances section 911.931; and declaring an emergency. Motion and second to suspend the rule requiring 3 readings. Roll Call: Unanimous. Motion and Second to adopt. Voice Vote: 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.**

Ordinance 86-21: 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.**

MISCELLANEOUS BUSINESS:

Councilman Bugara: Nothing to add.

Councilwoman Cherry: Questioned the Ordinance numbering system and expressed concern that someone could tamper with the legislation numbering.

Councilman Edwards: Expressed concern for everyone to be safe in the winter weather and be careful on the ice.

Councilwoman King: Noted that she has received word that Alliance Castings is changing their status from work suspension to permanent complete closure indicating that they have no intention of ever re-opening the foundry.

Councilman Lohnes: Nothing to add.

Councilman Madison: Noted the icy roads and stated everyone be careful and safe.

Councilman Mastroianni: Asked everyone to help their neighbors when they are shoveling. This snow storm is a strain on everyone but it is easier if we help each other.

President Garnes: Stay safe with the accumulation of snow.

ADJOURNMENT: Noting no further business to come before this Council, President Garnes adjourned the meeting at 6:30 P.M..

SUMMARY OF ACTIONS TAKEN:

Ordinance 80-20	NO FORMAL ACTION
Ordinance 81-20	NO FORMAL ACTION
Ordinance 82-20	NO FORMAL ACTION
Ordinance 86-20	NO FORMAL ACTION
Ordinance 86-21	NO FORMAL ACTION
Ordinance 2-22	ADOPTED
Ordinance 3-22	ADOPTED

**ARTHUR GARNES,
COUNCIL PRESIDENT**

**GERARD T. YOST,
COUNCIL CLERK**