

**Guests:** President Ed Tucker, City Service Director Bruce Walker, City, City Law Director Bruce Walker, Auditor Britny Keeton, and City Treasurer Jen Fickel. **ABSENT:** Greg Fraunfelter

**Others in attendance:** Michelle Mays

President Ed Tucker opened the meeting at 7:00 p.m. and led the Pledge of Allegiance, followed by Jim Robinson offering prayer.

**Roll Call:** Present – Mike Berry, Judie Henniger, Lester Lytle, James Martin, Chuck Moritz, Jim Robinson and Bozz Salizzoni

**Minutes** – Ms. Henniger made a motion to approve the March 26, 2024, minutes as submitted, and Mr. Salizzoni seconded it. After a voice vote the motion unanimously was approved.

**People Appearing Before Council:**

Michelle Mays – Ms. Mays, representing Foster Hub, informed Council about efforts the organization is making to provide housing for 18/19 year-olds who have aged out of the foster care system. There are Hocking County high school students sleeping in cars in the school parking lot so they can attend class, in need transitional housing. Thanks to a \$7,000,000.00 grant, the organization has purchased 24 W. Main Street in Logan to transform into a transitional housing/lifeskills training facility for this group that has fallen through the cracks of the foster care system. Several members expressed appreciation to Mays for this endeavor to assist these youth.

**REPORTS**

Mayor – No report

Safety Service Director – According to a Code Enforcement report, they have located 54 possible illegal short-term rentals in the city. They have completed 50 inspections, issued 41 warnings, 21 citations and 25 formal Notices of Violation. Twenty-six cases have been closed, primarily through voluntary compliance. Of the remaining 26 cases that are currently open, all but two are under the status of hold escalation as they are voluntarily working through the process of submitting plans through the State of Ohio, obtaining zoning and a valid rental permit. Only 2 cases are completely noncompliant and have failed to take any steps toward voluntary compliance despite being issued fines, so Code Enforcement is working towards the next steps in the enforcement process.

Walker also informed Council the recent heavy rain flooded the South Logan sewage lift station and is now out of order. They have a temporary solution with a portable pump, but the lift station will need to be replaced. The EPA offered the city an emergency grant of \$800,000.00 grant and \$200,000.00 low interest loan. Mr. Robinson asked President Tucker to take a straw poll of Council for their opinion if application for these funds should proceed. The Council unanimously agreed this was the best solution to the problem.

Auditor – No report

Treasurer – There was no financial report but there was a brief discussion about the removal of city investments from the current investment firm, Meeder Investment Company, as the interest performance has been very low.

Law Director – No report

Finance- Mr. Robinson submitted the minutes for the April 1, 2024, meeting. Most of the committee business will be addressed through tonight’s First Reading legislation. Robinson did say that work is still being done to complete the next township fire contracts. The next Finance meeting is scheduled for Monday April 15, 2024, at 8:00 a.m. in Council Chambers and a second was scheduled for Monday, April 22, 2024, at the same time and place.

Public Utilities – No report

Water & Sewer –No report

Streets & Alleys – No report

Public Safety – No report but Mr. Lytle scheduled the next meeting for Friday, April 12, 2024, at 5:00 p.m. in Council Chambers.

Planning and Annexation – No report but Mr. Martin scheduled the next meeting for Monday, April 15, at 10:00 a.m. in Council Chambers.

Recreation - No report but Mr. Moritz invited Council to attend the recreation board meeting on Wednesday, April 10, 2024 in Council Chambers.

Cemetery & Parks – No report

**Reading of Communications** – None

**LEGISLATION:**

**EMERGENCY**

Ordinance No. 22, 2024

AN ORDINANCE CREATING SIX NEW LINE ITEMS WITHIN THE F.E.M.A. FUND, A REVENUE LINE ITEM AND FIVE EXPENSE LINE ITEMS, INCREASING THE REVENUE LINE ITEM BY \$202,675.00 AND APPROPRIATING FROM UNAPPROPRIATED MONEY IN THE F.E.M.A. FUND THE TOTAL SUM OF \$202,675.00 TO THE EXPENSE LINE ITEMS, AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY. Auditor Keeton request this legislation to implement the FEMA SAFER grant for additional fire department personnel. Mr. Robinson moved to suspend the rule of council to eliminate the Second and Third Reading by title only. The motion was seconded by Mr. Salizzoni and after a roll call vote the motion unanimously approved. Mr. Salizzoni made a motion to approve the resolution which was seconded by Mr. Lytle. After a roll call vote the motion was unanimously approved.

Ordinance No. 23, 2024

AN ORDINANCE DECREASING EXPECTED REVENUES IN THE GENERAL FUND IN THE AMOUNT OF \$178,800.00 AND DECREASING APPROPRIATIONS IN THE GENERAL FUND BY \$178,800.00 AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY. Mr. Robinson moved to suspend the rule of council to eliminate the Second and Third Reading by title only. The motion was seconded by Mr. Salizzoni and after a roll call vote the motion unanimously approved. Mr. Salizzoni made a motion to approve the resolution which was seconded by Mr. Moritz. After a roll call vote the motion was unanimously approved.

### **THIRD READING**

Ordinance No. 18,2024

AN ORDINANCE APPROPRIATING THE UM OF \$3,450.00 FROM UNAPPROPRIATED MONEY IN THE GENERAL FUND. Mr. Salizzoni made a motion to approve the resolution which was seconded by Ms. Henniger. After a roll call vote the motion was unanimously approved.

Resolution No. 13, 2024

A RESOLUTION TRANSFERRING THE TOTAL SUM OF \$92,150.00 BY MEANS OF TRANSFERRING THE SUM OF \$56,550.00 FROM THE FIRE EQUIPMENT PURCHASE FUND AND \$35,600.00 FROM THE FIRE LEVY FUND TO THE FIRE TRUCK DEBT SERVICE FUND. Mr. Robinson made a motion to approve the resolution which was seconded by Mr. Salizzoni. After a roll call vote the motion was unanimously approved.

Resolution No. 14, 2024

A RESOLUTION TRANSFERRING THE SUM OF \$40,940.00 FROM THE CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS FUND TO THE POOL DEBT SERVICE FUND. Mr. Robinson made a motion to approve the resolution which was seconded by Mr. Berry. After a roll call vote the motion was unanimously approved.

Resolution No. 15, 2024

A RESOLUTION TRANSFERRING THE SUM OF \$3,000.00 FROM CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT FUND TO THE RECREATION TRUST FUND. Mr. Salizzoni made a motion to approve the resolution which was seconded by Mr. Martin. After a roll call vote the motion was unanimously approved.

Resolution No. 16, 2024

A RESOLUTION TRANSFERRING THE SUM OF \$12,000.00 FROM THE GENERAL FUND TO THE RECREATION FUND. Mr. Robinson made a motion to approve the resolution which was seconded by Mr. Salizzoni. After a roll call vote the motion was unanimously approved.

Resolution No. 17, 2024

A RESOLUTION TRANSFERRING THE SUM OF \$33,800.00 FROM THE WATER FUND TO THE DEBT RESERVE FUND. Mr. Salizzoni made a motion to approve the resolution which was seconded by Mr. Lytle. After a roll call vote the motion was unanimously approved.

## **SECOND READING**

Ordinance No. 20, 2024

AN ORDINANCE CREATING TWO NEW LINE ITEMS WITHIN THE CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS FUND, A REVENUE AND EXPENSE LINE ITEM, INCREASING THE REVENUE LINE ITEM BY \$33,370.97 AND APPROPRIATING FROM UNAPPROPRIATED MONEY IN THE CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS FUND THE SUM OF \$44,494.62 TO THE EXPENSE LINE ITEM.

Ordinance No. 21, 2024

AN ORDINANCE RENAMING A LINE ITEM WITHIN THE CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS FUND AND APPROPRIATING FROM UNAPPROPRIATED MONEY IN THE CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS FUND THE SUM OF \$61,190.00 TO TH RENAMED LINE ITEM.

Resolution No. 19, 2024

A RESOLUTION CERTIFYING PAYMENT, BY THE LOGAN CITY AUDITOR, FROM THE WATER FUND, OF AN EXPENSE INCURRED IN 2023 TOTALING \$2,220.00, WHICH REQUIRES PAYMENT FROM THE 2024 BUDGET.

## **FIRST READING**

Ordinance No. 24, 2024

AN ORDINANCE APPROPRIATING FROM UNAPPROPRIATED MONEY IN THE STORM WATER UTILITY FUND THE TOTAL SUM OF \$325,900.00 AND INCREASING EXPECTED REVENUE IN THE STORM WATER UTILITY FUND BY \$255,000.00. This legislation was drawn to implement the recently awarded Urban Canopy Grant and enable the payment of a collection department employee to be paid from the storm sewer utility fund.

Ordinance No. 25, 2024

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING ORDINANCE NO. 34, 2022 AND ORDINANCE NO. 29, 2023 TO ADD A PROGRAM MANAGER POSITION WITH ANNUAL SALARY OF THE NEW POSITION. This ordinance will provide an as needed recreation bassistant program manager during the busiest times of the year.

Resolution No. 20, 2024

A RESOLUTION CERTIFYING PAYMENT, BY THE LOGAN CITY AUDITOR, FROM THE GENERAL FUND, OF AN EXPENSE INCURRED IN 2023 TOTALING \$392.00, WHICH REQUIRES PAYMENT FROM THE 2024 BUDGET. This bill is for a vehicle insurance premium for the addition of a vehicle to the city's policy.

Resolution No. 21, 2024

A RESOLUTION ACCEPTING THE REQUEST OF THE CITY TREASURER TO WITHDRAW ALL CITY INVESTMENT FUNDS HELD BY THE MEEDER INVESTMENT COMPANY; SEEKING ALTERNATIVE INVESTMENT OPPORTUNITIES; AND, COMPLYING WITH THE INVESTMENT POLICY OF THE CITY OF LOGAN.

Since there was no further business to discuss, Mr. Robinson made a motion to adjourn the meeting which was seconded by Mr. Berry. After a voice vote the motion unanimously passed and the meeting was adjourned at 7:52 p.m.

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Merrilee Carlson, Clerk

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Ed Tucker, City Council President