



CITY OF HEATH

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HEATH CITY COUNCIL

Dec. 4, 2023

REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING

President Tim Kelley called The Regular Meeting of Heath City Council to order Nov. 20, 2023 at 7:30pm. The Pledge of Allegiance followed. The Invocation delivered by Porter. T. Dupps called the Roll Call with Council Members; Porter, Moretti, Kelley, D. Morrow, Roberts, Crabill, Cole. D. Morrow moved to approve the minutes of the Regular Meeting Nov. 20, 2023. Second by Crabill. All in Favor "Aye" Vote. **Minutes Approved**. Mayor Johns, D. Morrison Law Director and J. Morrow Auditor in attendance.

Special Orders & Committees

Proclamation presented by Mayor Johns to the Newark Maennerchor. Presenting the check this evening is President Mike Lohrman and his wife Cheryl Lohrman from Newark Maennerchor for \$1500.00 for Shop with a Hero.

Visitors:

Ginna Peterson 1343 Bluejack Lane Heath, Ohio. Thank You Misty for all of your work and seeing the need and fulfilling this.

Committee Reports:

Finance/Budget: J. Crabill met this evening at 6:29 p.m. The following were discussed Approval of Minutes: Nov. 6, 2023 Committee Meeting. Motion by Porter to approve the minutes - Second by Cole. Roll Call Vote- All Favor "Aye" Vote – Minutes approved.

Auditor J. Morrow reviewed legislative requests.

Legislative Requests:

- 1). An Ordinance to make appropriations for current expense and other expenditures for the City of Heath, Licking County, Ohio during fiscal year ending December 31, 2024

- 2). A Resolution authorizing the Mayor to renew an agreement with the Licking County Board of Commissioners for indigent-defense services
- 3). An ordinance authorizing and directing the mayor to advertise for bids for the wastewater final clarifiers and solids storage building

We had a zoom meeting with Price Finley from Bricker/Graydon discussing amendments/changes to the Central Park Development Agreement.

Finance Committee adjourned at 7:17 p.m.

Public Services: D. Morrow will meet Nov. 27, 2023 at 5:30 p.m.

Public Safety: A. Porter met this evening at 5:30 p.m.

Fire Chief McCord presented October 2023 Statistics

October Statistics

<u>FIRE</u>	<u>2023</u>	<u>2022</u>	<u># Changed</u>	<u>% Changed</u>
Fire Runs	73	55	18	25%
YTD Fire Runs	617	575	42	7%
<u>EMS</u>	<u>2023</u>	<u>2022</u>	<u># Changed</u>	<u>% Changed</u>
EMS Runs	199	234	-35	-18%
YTD EMS Runs	2232	2137	95	4%
October Total Runs	272	289	-17	-6%
YTD Totals	2849	2712	137	5%

<u>Transports</u>	<u>2023</u>	<u>2022</u>	<u># Changed</u>	<u>% Changed</u>
October Totals	127	144	-17	-13%
YTD Total	1364	1380	-16	-1%

<u>Mutual Aid Given</u>	<u>FIRE</u>	<u>EMS</u>	<u>TOTALS</u>
Newark	31	13	44
West Licking	5	0	5
Licking Twp.	0	0	0
Granville Twp.	1	1	2
Totals	37	14	51
<u>Mutual Aid Received</u>	<u>FIRE</u>	<u>EMS</u>	<u>TOTALS</u>
Newark	24		
Licking Twp.	2		
West Licking	4		
Newark Twp.	2		

Totals	32
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Monthly Expense Report:

October 2022 wages \$120,877.61 October 2022 OT \$17,935.25 Total OT YTD \$159,881.24

October 2023 wages \$134,897.56 October 2023 OT \$30,075.45 Total OT YTD \$217,096.20

MedBill Report

Total Billed October 2022 \$124,443.00 Write-offs \$61,819.18 Net Charges \$62,623.82

Total Billed October 2023 \$113,305.00 Write-offs \$50,992.99 Net Charges \$62,312.01

Equipment

- Tower 51 is out of service – the cost of repair and replace is \$15,000 for brakes and axles
- SCBA replacement – Currently 22 years old. We are looking to purchase 15 but 30 is needed. We are looking to apply for grant for the other half.
- Heart Monitor Replacement – Need 3 new ones as the other ones are no longer going to be serviced. Will be looking into purchasing these

Meeting adjourned at 5:47 p.m.

Police: A. Porter met this evening at 5:47 p.m.

Police Chief Haren presented August statistics.

October Statistics	2023	2022	2021
Calls for Service	1206	1163	1129
Offense Reports	189	128	112
Arrests	17	27	29
Accidents	28	27	34
Citations	32	44	44

❖ **Overtime Usage:**

- October 2023 \$10,930 (YTD \$97,336)
- October 2022 \$10,162 (YTD \$91,831)

❖ **Alarms – total 51:**

Fundraiser/ Community Involvement

Holiday with a Hero is set for Dec 11th

HPD is again planning on the "Holiday with a Hero" program to assist families in need with Christmas which was presented this evening with a check from Newark Maennchor.

Update of Lateral candidates – 4 offers to candidates pending background checks

Visitors this evening from Cynthia Street and discussed signs for speeders.

Streets & Drainage: J. Roberts will meet Monday, Dec. 4, 2023 at 5:30p.m.

Community Development & Zoning: P. Moretti met Nov. 13, 2023 at 5:30 P.M.

Jared gave us updates on projects and approvals being constructed. Bojangles should be opening by the end of the month and Behr paints manufacturing side should be open in the spring. He also gave us a heads up we would be seeing some updated ordinance drafts on pool signage. He let us know we would be seeing updated school agreement as well for the Central Park project by today and we did receive both of those items. There was also a public hearing scheduled for Thursday at 3:30 p.m. regarding the Russell farm project. Jared and his team are also working on the H&H and providing files to Licking county sewer and water as well as exploring opportunities for sidewalk grants in area of 30th Street and Cynthia Street.

Meeting adjourned at 6:31 p.m.

Parks, Recreation, and Davis Shai House: D. Cole will meet Dec. 4, 2023 immediately following Streets & Drainage.

Planning Commission: J. Crabill November 12, 2023 at 7:00 p.m.

4 Items of New Business:

- 1). Bob Geller Street Department Building – Final Plan Approved
- 2). Lot Split 3-2023 Variance and approval 43.20 of the Development Regulations – Approved Casto 733 Hebron Road. The Bridgestone – Firestone project – Lot Split- Approved with the variance
- 3). Wastewater Treatment Plant 719 Licking View Drive. Clarifier and solids building. Final Plan Approved
- 4). Lot Split 4-2023 for James Hahn at 1117 Ramp Lane. Lot Split where could split the Property behind so could build a home on the back of the property - Approved

Ordinances on First Read:

Ord.98-2023 An ordinance authorizing the appropriation and transfer of \$18,500 within the Capital Improvement Fund to the Park Services Fund – **Held Second Read**

Ord.99-2023 An ordinance authorizing the appropriation and transfer of \$7,000 within the Capital Improvements Fund to the Streets – Capital Outlay – Other Equipment Fund – **Held Second Read**

Ordinances on Second Read:

Ord.82-2023 Authorizing the execution of a First Amendment to City of Heath – Heath City School District Central Parkway Cooperative Agreement between the City of Heath, Ohio, and the Heath City School District amending the City of Heath – Heath City School District Central Parkway Cooperative Agreement, entered into as of August 20, 2018 – Motion by Crabill to amend Ord.82-2023 as it applies to revisions on the agreement. Second by Cole. Roll call vote. All in favor “aye” vote. Ord. 82-2023 motion approved. Motion by Crabill to adopt Ord. 82-2023 as amended. Second by Cole. Roll call vote. All in favor “aye” vote. **Ord-82-2023 Adopted as amended.**

Ord.89-2023 An ordinance authorizing the appropriation and transfer of \$102.99 within the General Fund to the Water Plant Repair and Maintenance Supplies Fund – Motion by D. Morrow to adopt Ord.89-2023. Second by Moretti. Roll call vote. All in favor “aye” vote. **Ord.89-2023 Adopted**

Ord.90-2023 An ordinance authorizing the appropriation and transfer of \$48 within the General Fund to the Pool Uniform Allowance Fund – Motion by Cole to adopt Ord.90-2023. Second by D. Morrow. Roll call vote. All in favor “aye” vote. **Ord.90-2023 Adopted**

Ord.91-2023 An ordinance authorizing the appropriation and transfer of \$250 within the General Fund to the Pool Concessions Fund – Motion by Cole to adopt Ord.91-2023. Second by D. Morrow. Roll call vote. All in favor “aye” vote. **Ord.91-2023 Adopted**

Ord.92-2023 An ordinance authorizing the appropriation and transfer of \$82.44 within the General Fund to the Police Machine & Equipment Repairs/Maintenance Fund – Motion by Porter to adopt Ord.92-2023. Second by Moretti. Roll call vote. All in favor “aye” vote. **Ord.92-2023 Adopted**

Ord.93-2023 An ordinance authorizing the appropriation and transfer of \$3,015.52 within the General Fund to the Fire – Squad Fund – Motion by Porter to adopt Ord.93-2023. Second by Moretti. Roll call vote. All in favor “aye” vote. **Ord.93-2023 Adopted**

Ord.94-2023 An ordinance amending Heath Codified Ordinances section 937.14, headed "unpaid Bills to Be a Lien on Premises," by changing the time for placing delinquent sewer-service charges on the county tax duplicate from 60 days after they are due to 90 days after they are due – Motion by D. Morrow to adopt Ord.94-2023. Second by Moretti. Roll Call Vote. All in favor "aye" vote. **Ord. 94-2023 Adopted**

Ord.95-2023 An ordinance creating pay levels and salary schedules and repealing Ordinance No. 57-2023 – Motion by Crabill to adopt Ord. 95-2023. Second by Roberts. Roll call vote. 6 Yes – Votes -1 Vote- No by Porter. **Ord. 95-2023 Adopted**

Ord.96-2023 An ordinance amending Heath Codified Ordinances section 183.094, headed "Extension of Time to File," by amending subsection (A) and enacting divisions (F) and (G) – Motion by Crabill to adopt Ord.96-2023. Second by Roberts. Roll call vote. All in favor "aye" vote. **Ord.96-2023 Adopted**

Ord.97-2023 An ordinance amending Heath Codified Ordinances section 183.062, headed "Net Profit; Income Subject to Net Profit Tax; Alternative Apportionment" – Motion by Crabill to adopt Ord. 97-2023. Second by Roberts. Roll call vote. All in favor "aye" vote. **Ord.97-2023 Adopted**

Reports of City Officials:

Mayor – Welcome guests this evening! Thanks again to the Lohrman's and all the members of the Newark Maennerchor for all of their support with The Shop with a Hero this year. Like to talk about the interviews Chief Haren and I had with all of the police interviews. The one thing clear to me that our Police Department has is an excellent reputation among The Law Enforcement Community. Multiple times the candidates we were interviewing talked about the professionalism that our Police Department has. They have expressed first hand or when mutual aide was given and people they have spoken too as well. There is no doubt that the compensation that council recently approved had a great impact on putting so many quality candidates in front of Chief and I. Don't under estimate the good work that the staff members in the department have done, do and I know will continue to do as it relates to making the Heath Police Department an attractive destination for Law Enforcement Officers. I want to recognize that. The other thing, I want to recognize from our end and talking to each of the candidates. They emphasized and with pleasure the members of our Police Department and staff seek positive interactions with the people in the community and how well the community has supported our Police Department and the individuals that are in it. We talk to our candidates to the culture we have in our Police Department. We brought up to each of them The Shop with a Hero Program. They all expressed how they thought that was a great thing for the Police Department to be doing. You would see it's a reason why someone would want to come work with The Police Department. Misty, its due in a huge part to you and all of your efforts. I want to make sure you heard the impact that you helped to initiate with this program and get this off the ground every year. I want to make sure you heard the impact that it had on the potential staff members into the department. They thought it was fantastic. This is not something every department does. It is completely staffed, driven and initiated by them. They were blown away that we do this. I want to make sure you understand that The Chief and I understand the impact

heard from interviewing on this program. Thank You, the staff, Police Department and The Fire Department for making this program a success every year! We appreciate it and I know the kids do. Now, you know police and other agencies appreciate what you do. Thank council for the passage of Ord. 82-2023 and the agreement as modified. It took awhile and we discussed that at length. It is important to note again... This is a 3-legged stool that this development has to sit on. 1 of the legs was the zoning that was approved. The second was the modification of the Cooperative Agreement and which I understand the School District approved this evening and we approved this evening as well. The 3rd leg is the development agreement between the city and the developer. All 3 legs of the stool are equally important and need to be equally strong in order for this development moving forward to be strong. Myself, Price and Ginny will continue to work on negotiating this development agreement with the developer on this project and when we have a product that we feel is ready to move forward to you we will get it to your hands and review it. I am looking forward to that 3rd leg of the stool being added to the future project. Thank You to Dr. Thomas and The Heath City School District. We are fortunate in our community, that I believe to have a School District and a city government that historically have been so supportive of each other. Tonight, the School District Board is voting and City Council voting on the same agreement. I feel it's a great symbol of the cooperative that The Heath City School District and The City have had. I will say this when it comes up that you cannot have a strong city without a strong School District and you can't have a strong School District without a strong city. Tonight, votes by The School district and this body are an indication that we are a partner. Thank You! Lastly like to wish yourselves and your family a Happy Thanksgiving!

Auditor J. Morrow – Welcome Guests! Thank The Maennerchor as well for their contribution to The Holiday Shop with a Hero. Misty... I remember years ago when you called me and said we need to set up an account. I know every year it goes on and that's kudos to you for keeping it going for the police. Its always a neat night when you all come in. Congratulations! Finally, it is the greatest week of the year with Thanksgiving and on Saturday... Go Bucks!

Law Director Mr. Morrison – Happy Thanksgiving to everyone!

J. Crabill – Welcome visitors! Happy Thanksgiving to everyone. Misty, thanks for founding this event. Ginna, thank you for putting this Proclamation together and recognition and support. Look forward to The Maennerchor for being a long- time supporter of this event. Its going to grow each year. I pledge that to you. Each year even better. As Mr. Lohrman said we love this event and we love being a sponsor.

J. Roberts – This is the first council meeting since election night. Like to congratulate Mr. Kelley, Mr. Crabill and Mrs. Cole on your re-elections as each of your garnered over 1800 votes and that's very impressive.

D. Cole – I also want to welcome all of our guests and give thanks to The Maennerchor for supporting our project. Also, huge thanks to Misty, Police Department and The Fire Department for doing this every year. This is a wonderful event and great for the kids. Glad we are able to keep that going. Congratulate Jim as well. Happy Thanksgiving everyone!

A. Porter – Thank you Misty for heading that up Holiday with a Hero. Keep that coming every year. Whatever support you need from me let me know. Jim, one of your votes were from me. Happy Thanksgiving everyone!

D. Morrow – Special Luck to Holiday with a Hero. Always a great reminder The Davis Shai Christmas open house is Dec. 9th. Happy Thanksgiving! Go Bucks!

P. Moretti – Welcome visitors! Thank you to Misty and Thank you to The Maennerchor. Happy Thanksgiving!

J. Geller – Happy Thanksgiving and Thank You Maennerchor!

B. Shepherd – Happy Thanksgiving!

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J. Lane – Wish everyone a Happy Thanksgiving! Thank you Maennerchor for your generous donation. Misty, kudos to you on this program. You never know how this will impact a kid's life to help give them a brighter outlook through this holiday season. Like to thank council for passing Ord. 95. Not only council support but all departments as a whole. As the mayor spoke earlier... All of the departments support each other tremendously and speaks to the quality of this organization.

Chief Haren – Thanks Misty. When this program first started it was all officers' contributions and now has worked with outside contributions. Platinum Motors, Jae's Towing has been big sponsors in the past as well and partnering with Maennerchor has helped tremendously. We took the money earlier from donations and gave to The Moone Family in time of need. The officers make the decisions where the money goes and who to help. Again, thank you for all you do. Greatly appreciated!

Motion by Crabill - Adjourn – Second by Porter – All in Favor "Aye" Meeting Adjourned.



Clerk of Council



President of Council